The Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area Management Plan was adopted and made a part of the comprehensive plans of the Carroll, Frederick and Washington counties in 2006. Likewise, the municipalities of Hampstead, Manchester, New Windsor, Sykesville, Taneytown, Union Bridge, Westminster, Brunswick, Burkittsville, Emmitsburg, Frederick, Middletown, Mt. Airy, Myersville, New Market, Rosemont, Thurmont, Woodsboro, Boonsboro, Hagerstown, Hancock, Sharpsburg, Smithsburg and Williamport have adopted the Management Plan. The plan provides an overview of resources and opportunities in the heritage area, as well as goals and priorities to advance the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area mission.

Nonprofit organizations and local governments (those that have adopted the Management Plan) within the boundaries of the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area may apply for Maryland Heritage Area Authority project grants and Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area mini-grants. All proposed projects (noncapital and capital) should align with the goals and priorities described in the Management Plan. Capital grants, no longer restricted to projects occurring within Target Investment Zones, must relate to goals described in the Heritage Area Five Year Action Plan and specifically named in the heritage area annual work plan.

For the convenience of grant applicants, and others who want to know more about the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area, the Management Plan appears below.

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