

The American Samoa Historic Preservation Office (ASHPO) was created by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. Under the Act, the ASHPO has five major program areas as follows:

- [I. Review and Compliance](#)
- [II. Survey and Inventory](#)
- [III. National Register of Historic Places](#)
- [IV. Planning](#)
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REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE

The American Samoa Historic Preservation Office is responsible for advising and assisting Federal Agencies

The American Samoa Historic Preservation Office reflects the interests of the Territory and its citizens

A process referred to as the Section 106 process establishes guidelines for how Federal Agencies conduct

Briefly during this process the Federal Agency is responsible for,

1. Initiating the Section 106 process,
2. Identifying Historic Properties within an undertaking's area of potential effect,

3. Assessing Adverse Effects on Historic Properties within the area of potential effect and,

4. Resolving Adverse Effects on such properties through consultation and development of a Memorandum of Understanding.

During this process the Federal Agency consults with the American Samoa Historic Preservation Office.

1. Offering advice on the best ways to identify potential historic properties within an area of potential effect.

2. Reviewing archaeological and historic property reports and plans which document identification, evaluation, and protection.

3. Commenting on determinations made by Federal Agencies and,

4. Negotiating Memorandums of Agreement designed to mitigate adverse effects on historic properties.

Correspondence and reports produced during this process are stored at the American Samoa Historic Preservation Office.

For details on the Section 106 process and a copy of the 36 CFR Part 800 regulations we recommend you visit <http://www.dhs.gov>.

SURVEY AND INVENTORY

The American Samoa Historic Preservation Office, in cooperation with Federal and State agencies,

Pursuant to this program area the ASHPO maintains a computerized database and hard copy site fo

In order to efficiently identify historic and archaeological sites in the entire Territory the historic prese

In order to obtain a copy of the plan contact the ASHPO via email at David.J.Hercowitz@sam.gov

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

The American Samoa Historic Preservation Office is responsible for nominating and assisting the pu

There are currently 14 historic properties and 1 historic district in American Samoa listed on the Nati

For a list of sites in American Samoa on the National Register click here. To reach the official Nation

PLANNING

The American Samoa Historic Preservation Office is responsible for writing a five year comprehensive

The public is invited to provide comments and suggestions for our next five year plan. All suggestions

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The American Samoa Historic Preservation Office is responsible for providing public information, ed

1. Providing individuals historic preservation information either locally or via the World Wide Web and
2. Giving talks about and tours of historic sites to local school children, and other interested groups,
3. Facilitating historic preservation training such as a recently completed workshop on the maintenanc

4. Providing Federal Agencies with technical advice concerning historic preservation law, historic res

For National Park Service [sponsored programs that offer vario](#) information and technical a

For technical assistance [on rehabilitating historic buildi](#)ng a good place to start is the National Park

For National Park Service [publications concern](#)ing various aspects of cultural and historic resources