



Protecting Our Heritage for Future Generations

We are **proactive** in protecting and **preserving** our **cultural resources** for our people and **future generations**.

The Sherwood Valley Tribal Historic Preservation Office was established in 2009 to assume State functions under the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), to:

- A. Conduct archaeological reservation-wide surveys of historic properties and maintain inventories of these properties
- B. Identify and nominate eligible properties to the National Register of Historic Places
- C. Prepare and implement a comprehensive reservation-wide historic preservation plan
- D. Administer the Tribal program for historic preservation within the Tribe
- E. Advise and assist Federal and State agencies and local governments in carrying out their preservation responsibilities
- F. Cooperate with the Secretary of Interior, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, and other Federal and State agencies, local governments, organizations, and individuals to ensure that historic properties are considered at all levels of planning and development
- G. Provide public information, education and training, and technical assistance in historic preservation
- H. Consult with appropriate Federal agencies in accordance with NHPA

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q Does the Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) host language education, basket-making, or other cultural classes?

A In short, No. The main focus of the THPO is to protect Cultural Resources such as archaeological or historic sites located in our historical-use areas. However, the THPO assists in scheduling these types of classes. If you are interested in holding a class please let us know.

Q How does the Tribe or THPO protect historical or archaeological sites?

A The Tribe has the right to protect what is collectively called cultural resources (archaeological, historical, sacred sites) through the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) under specifically Section 106. If you would like a copy of this Section please contact the Cultural Resource Specialist.

Q Can and how do members request or access information on language or other cultural heritage information?

A Yes, members can contact the Historic Preservation Office Monday through Friday 8:30am-5:00pm or via email. The THPO is very active in ongoing research and projects involving cultural resources but will try to respond in a timely manner. Information may also be located in an outside source that members will be referred to.