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BATTLEFIELDS SAVED THROUGH THE CIVIL WAR SITES PRESERVATION FUND GRANTS AWARDED IN 2024

NASHVILLE – The Tennessee Wars Commission, the Tennessee Historical Commission division responsible for preserving the state’s significant military history, has announced the Civil War Sites Preservation Fund (CWSPF) grant recipients for Fiscal Year 2024. This fund is provided by legislation to the Tennessee Historical Commission, who approves and awards TCWSPF grants. The Tennessee Wars Commission administers the application and grant processes.

The Civil War Sites Preservation Fund, begun in 2013, is a key source for matching funds for the acquisition and preservation of properties associated with the 38 most significant Civil War sites in Tennessee. Additionally, grants can assist in funding the acquisition and protection of Underground Railroad sites eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, or eligible for designation as a National Historic Landmark.

“Totaling \$7.3M, these grant awards are the largest in the history of the Civil War Sites Preservation Fund, and this year, are preserving 187 acres of hallowed ground across four Tennessee counties,” said the Tennessee Wars Commission Program Director, Nina Scall.

“Since 2018, approximately \$18 million in funding from this program has helped save over 1,100 acres of threatened Tennessee battlefield lands,” said Tennessee Historical Commission Director Patrick McIntyre.

Grant funds totaling \$7,319,500 were awarded to four applicants during the 2024 fiscal year, saving approximately 187 acres of battlefield lands:

- Franklins Charge Inc., receives \$957,500.00 for the acquisition of the +/- 0.62-acre Danmark/DePreist Tract at the Franklin Battlefield (Williamson County)
- American Battlefield Trust, receives \$3,930,000.00 for the acquisition of the +/- 31.6-acre Ganesh Tract at the Stones River Battlefield (Rutherford County)
- American Battlefield Trust, receives \$2,315,000.00 for the acquisition of the +/-1.90-acre Green Tract at Fort Negley (Davidson County)
- American Battlefield Trust, receives \$117,000.00 for the acquisition of the +/- 152-acre Hardiman Tract II at the Shiloh Battlefield (Hardin County)

Applications for next year’s grant cycle will open in Summer 2024.

For questions regarding the grant process or application procedure, contact Nina Scall, Program Director of the Tennessee Wars Commission via email at Nina.Scall@tn.gov. More information is available on the Tennessee Historical Commission [website](#).