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PRESS RELEASE

**The 319 N. Holden Property in Warrensburg, MO awarded \$41,270.00 from Missouri Main Street Connection's Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program**

Warrensburg, MO. – The 319 N. Holden property is one of thirteen properties in Missouri to receive a Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Subgrant from Missouri Main Street Connection (MMSC) and the National Park Service.

Charles Norton was awarded \$41,270.00 to facilitate the rehabilitation of this contributing, historic gem that sits at the northern gateway to Warrensburg's downtown. In addition, to the \$41,270.00 provided by this grant, Charles Norton will invest a minimum of ten percent of the grant amount toward the final project as a match.

In its current state, this property is vacant but seeing dedicated investment from its current property owners who acquired the property in 2023. Despite unforeseen challenges and expenses at the start of their journey to rehabilitate this building, Charles and his wife have remained steadfast and determined to use any available resources to stabilize the 319 N. Holden property. The rehabilitation project that was approved by MMSC will address critical exterior needs through tuck-pointing. They shared their perspective of this grant,

"We are at a pivotal moment in our restoration project, with significant progress achieved and the vision for a fully restored building within grasp. The grant for tuck-pointing is not merely financial support; it is a vital contribution to preserving a piece of Warrensburg's history, enhancing the architectural fabric of our downtown, and preventing the loss of a historic landmark that welcomes all to our community."

Upon completion of work at the 319 N. Holden property Warrensburg will gain a beacon of heritage preservation and economic revitalization at the gateway of Warrensburg's downtown. The potential uses for this property once rehabilitated are limitless and the property owners already have ideas for their first tenants.

If you are a banking institution who would like to partner with MMSC to provide construction, commercial, and/or bridge loans for this project and/or any of the projects that have been awarded see what this looks like with MMSC's [information sheet](#).

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### **About National Park Service**

Since 1916, the National Park Service (NPS) has directed the management and implementation of programming for the national parks across the country.

For over 100 years they have led the preservation of America's natural and cultural resources for current and future generations. The NPS in partnership and cooperation with partners has taken care of the national parks and helping Americans take care of their communities. One way that this is accomplished is through appropriations authorized by Congress for the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF). The HPF, authorized through 2023, uses revenue from federal oil and gas leases on the Outer Continental Shelf, providing assistance for a broad range of preservation projects without expending tax dollars.

These grants mark the fifth year of funding for the program honoring the late Paul Bruhn, executive director of the Preservation Trust of Vermont for nearly 40 years. For more information about the grants and the Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants program, please visit [nps.gov](https://www.nps.gov).

### **About Missouri Main Street Connection**

Missouri Main Street Connection is the leading statewide nonprofit organization devoted to preservation-based economic development. Through the Main Street America™ movement and our partners, we empower community revitalization by celebrating, supporting, and sustaining Missouri historic commercial districts in both rural and urban settings. Since 2005, Missouri Main Street communities have seen \$1 billion in public and private investment and MMSC has worked in over 180 communities. These Missouri Main Street communities and districts are thriving and vibrant by engaging the community members in revitalization strategies to create experiences that preserve their history and culture. Follow Missouri Main Street Connection on Facebook @MissouriMainStreetConnection and Instagram @MOmainstreet.

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