



# Community Preservation Committee

## PRELIMINARY ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION

**Due Date: September 9, 2025**

**PRELIMINARY APPLICATION TO DETERMINE PROJECT ELIGIBILITY**  
 All project applicants begin the application process by submitting a one-page Preliminary Eligibility Application Form, which will be used to determine whether the applicant is eligible for Community Preservation Act ("CPA") funds. No funding application will be accepted unless this preliminary eligibility application has been submitted and approved. Project eligibility is defined and the application process is explained in the Process Manual document on the Community Preservation Committee ("CPC") page of the Town of Hingham's website. Please submit via email to: [CPC@hingham-ma.gov](mailto:CPC@hingham-ma.gov)  
 Applicants will be notified in mid-September whether their project is eligible for CPA funds. It will then be up to the applicant to complete the final application. Dates and further information are available on our website.

**Applicant:**  
 Historical Commission

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**Project Name:**  
 "Pro Patria et Gloria" War Memorial Restoration (Iron Horse Statue)

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**Project Goals:** *(please briefly describe how and why this project will benefit the community.)*  
 Earlier this year, graffiti was found on the Iron Horse statue. I contacted a restoration company to remove it. When looking at the graffiti, I noticed quite a few scratches and names carved into the statue. I asked the restoration company if they would give me a quote to fix the scratches. They did an assessment and their opinion was that some of the etching was superficial (just in the coating), however there are some deeper scratches which have damaged the surface of the bronze. Furthermore, they let me know that the typical lifespan of the statue's coating is 8 years. The statue was last re-coated in 2017. I propose to restore the surface of the statue and to remove the scratches as this is one of Hingham's most visible monuments.

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**Brief Project Description:** *(please briefly describe the work that will be done with CPA funds.)*  
 The project would include the following steps:  
 -A temporary 4' high construction fence will be set around the work areas.  
 -Scaffolding will be erected to access the upper sections of the bronze.  
 -Degraded coating and wax will be removed using organic solvents/and or hot water pressure water as needed.  
 -Areas of the sculpture where the surface color has been disturbed (scratched, corroded, abraded) will be spot patinated using oxidizing agents (patina solution) which match the coloration of the adjacent (stable) surface.  
 -The sculpture will be re-coated with Inralac applied using a HVLP spray.  
 -A layer of Butchers wax will be applied to the surface once the coating has cured.

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<b>Estimated Total Cost of Project:</b> \$ 22,500	<b>Estimated CPA Request:</b> \$ \$22,500
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**Project Purpose** (please check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Acquisition	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rehabilitation and Restoration
<input type="checkbox"/> Creation	<input type="checkbox"/> Support	

**CPA Category** (please check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Open Space	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic
<input type="checkbox"/> Recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Housing

**Project Information:**    0 Otis Street (near Hingham Bathing Beach and boat ramp at harbor)  
 Project Site Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Owner of Site: Town of Hingham      Current Owner Signature:

**\*Note:** If Applicant is not the owner of the property, written consent of the owner must accompany the application. For Town-owned property, the "owner" is the Board with the legal care and control of the property, or the Town Administrator.

Signature of Applicant  
 Name: Heidi Gaul      Title: Historic Preservation Administrator