



Section 106 and the National Register

Section 106

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 requires that Federally funded, licensed, or permitted projects (referred to as "undertakings") be assessed as to their impact on significant historic properties, and establishes a process for mitigating any adverse effects that a project might have on such significant resources. The State of Illinois has a similar requirement for projects involving State funds and licensing via the Illinois State Agency Historic Resources Preservation Act of 1990 (and often referred to as Section 707). In general, this process is known as Cultural Resource Management (CRM). The significance of any historical property assessed within the context of cultural resource management work ultimately is determined by the sites' eligibility for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.



The Hickory Apartments on South Fourth Street were listed to the National Register under Criterion A (social history) in recognition of their role in documenting the character of changing urban life and housing in early twentieth century Springfield.



The Lincoln Colored Home at 427 South Twelfth Street is another Springfield property listed on the National Register under Criterion A. Established in 1904, the Home served orphan

National Register of Historic Places

Eligibility to the National Register is based on four broad criteria that are defined by the National Park Service and used to guide the evaluation process. These criteria state that "the quality of significance in American history, architecture, archaeology, and culture is present in districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects that possess integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association, and

- A) that are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history; or
- B) that are associated with the lives of persons significant to our past; or
- C) that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- D) that have yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history."



Properties listed in the National Register under Criterion B can be associated with figures of national significance, such as the Abraham Lincoln Home at Eighth and Jackson Street (left), as well as ones of local significance, like

