

Historic Savannah Foundation Easement Donation

Directions for Completion

What are the benefits of donating an easement?

Donating an easement protects a historic property even after an owner has sold or bequeathed it; provides certain tax advantages for the donor; and enables preservation organizations and public agencies to protect properties against adverse changes through acquisition of a partial interest rather than assumption of the full burden of property ownership.

If you are interested in donating a preservation easement on your property to HSF, following these simple steps...

Step 1:

- Contact Historic Savannah Foundation to determine if your property is eligible for an easement donation.
- If HSF determines that the building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and that we are interested in holding an easement, proceed to Step 2.

Step 2:

- Contact Historic Savannah Foundation to have a deed of Historic Preservation Easement drawn up.
- Provide Historic Savannah Foundation with a copy of the legal description of your property.

Step 3:

Forward the following to HSF:

- Copy of the Original Executed Deed
- One set of photographs of the property (or one image of each facade)
- Three signed copies of the Confirmation of Understanding
- Administrative Fee (For more information contact HSF directly)

Historic Savannah Foundation will have the deed recorded at the Chatham County Courthouse; the original copy of the document will remain with HSF.