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## IOWA HISTORIC PRESERVATION ALLIANCE AND NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION MAKE TIP SHEET AVAILABLE TO IOWANS AFFECTED BY FLOODING

**(EDITORS, PRODUCERS, REPORTERS: Please add to your list of services available to Iowans impacted by flooding, storms and tornados.)**

The Iowa Historic Preservation Alliance, in coordination with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, is distributing free copies of a one-page tip sheet for owners of older and historic buildings impacted by flooding. The tip sheet is a summary of a free publication “Treatment of Flood-Damaged Older and Historic Buildings” available from National Trust Preservation Books online at [www.preservationnation.org](http://www.preservationnation.org). Free hard copies of the tip sheet and the publication are also available by calling the Midwest Office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation at 312-939-5547.

The Iowa Historic Preservation Alliance, along with partners the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the Iowa State Historic Preservation Office, and the Silos and Smokestacks National Heritage Area, want to share the tip-sheet, which contains lessons learned following the Gulf Coast flooding of 2005. Many historic building materials can be needlessly lost in the haste to clean up a flood-damaged property. Some of these elements—like elaborate wood trim—are costly to duplicate, and in many cases can be slowly dried out, refinished and reinstalled into the rehabilitated structure.

The flooding tip sheet is being made available to anyone who wants it, including property owners, news media across the state, government officials, and emergency management officials. Information about flood recovery can be found at [www.iowapreservation.org](http://www.iowapreservation.org), [www.iowahistory.org](http://www.iowahistory.org), and [www.preservationnation.org](http://www.preservationnation.org).

*The mission of the Iowa Historic Preservation Alliance is to build partnerships that enhance our economic and cultural future through the preservation of Iowa’s historic resources. For more information, visit [www.iowapreservation.org](http://www.iowapreservation.org).*

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