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MORE THAN \$2.6 MILLION FOR LOCAL HERITAGE

Communities can apply for more than \$2.6 million in funding to help protect and preserve heritage items listed on their council's Local Environmental Plan, Heritage Minister Gabrielle Upton announced today.

Ms Upton said the funding was available under the NSW Government's second round of Heritage Activation Grants, designed for local government, businesses and community organisations to reactivate and preserve local heritage spaces and precincts.

"This program aims to build on the knowledge and connection communities have with their heritage – communities know their heritage better than anyone," Ms Upton said.

"The program acknowledges the important role owners and managers of locally listed heritage items play in communities across NSW."

Heritage Activation Grants, part of an \$8 million three year NSW Government investment in local heritage protection, are open to owners and managers of local heritage items listed on their council's Local Environmental Plan.

"Some of the proposals funded in the first round included a project to improve public access at Wingham Library and a plan to revitalise the Lachlan Railway Heritage Centre's entrance," Ms Upton said.

Applications open today and close on Friday 21 April.

For more information visit: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/Heritage/heritage-near-me-incentives.htm>.