

Guide to California Preservation Program Services

- **California Preservation Program Website CalPreservation.org:** Built and maintained by the California Preservation Program (CPP), this website addresses the collection preservation needs of heritage organizations. It contains documents on education and training of staff and the public; on disaster preparedness, response, and salvage for collections; and on preservation management of collections.
- **Emergency Toll-Free Number:** A 24/7 toll-free number for California cultural institutions whose collections have been damaged and need preservation assistance. Call **1-888-905-7737** for immediate advice; CPP consultants are available for on-site assistance when needed.
- **Regional Disaster Response Networks:** The CPP provides assistance with the formation of mutual assistance networks throughout California; email info@CalPreservation.org if you would like assistance with starting or developing a regional disaster response network in your area.
- **Disaster Preparedness and Response Training:** These 2-part workshops are designed to help heritage institutions prepare a written disaster response plan for their collections. Check CalPreservation.org “Workshops” for currently available workshops. Workshops also are available upon request for regional networks and professional organizations.
- **Disaster Plan Testing and Inter-Institutional Collaboration:** Using scenario planning, participants in this one-day workshop “test” their disaster response plans against illustrated disaster situations. Following an evaluation, participants explore ways in which collaboration on disaster preparedness and response can improve their collective effectiveness of response and identify follow-up actions. Check CalPreservation.org “Workshops” for currently available workshops.
- **Creating and Funding Preservation Projects Workshop:** Participants begin by setting priorities among collection preservation needs, then explore appropriate sources of grant funding, and complete the workshop by developing key preservation components for a grant proposal. By the end of the one-day workshop, participants are positioned to follow through with submitting a proposal for a preservation project. Check CalPreservation.org “Workshops” for currently available workshops.
- **Preservation Needs Assessment for Collections:** Subsidized assessment surveys are available for your institution. These surveys first focus on potential building and site-related risks to collections and recommend actions for their mitigation or elimination. Then a random sample drawn from the collection that is examined for condition and needs. Using the sample data, **Calipr** (Web-based software, designed for print and audiovisual collections) estimates the scope and scale of preservation needs of the overall collection, and recommends priorities for action. See CalPreservation.org “Resources: Preservation Management”.
- **Specialized Preservation Consulting:** The California Preservation Program provides subsidized preservation consulting services to heritage institutions that serve the public. Consultants provide assessment, guidance, and administrative recommendations on disaster preparedness and response for collections, collection maintenance, long-term preservation, and preservation program planning. See CalPreservation.org “Services: Consulting Services” or email info@CalPreservation.org for information.

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