



Preserve Arkansas is the only statewide nonprofit advocate for the preservation of Arkansas's historic and cultural resources. Our organization works to build stronger communities by reconnecting Arkansans to our heritage and empowering people to save and rehabilitate historic places.

### Arkansas's National Parks are Economic Engines

Arkansas is home to **seven units** of the **National Park Service**, and **tourism** is the **second largest industry** in the state. In 2017, **3.5 million park visitors** spent an estimated **\$188 million** in local gateway regions while visiting National Park Service lands in Arkansas. These expenditures supported a total of **2,870 jobs**, **\$70.9 million** in labor income, and **\$234 million** in economic output in the Arkansas economy.

Arkansas's National Parks preserve our country's heritage and positively impact local and state economies. That is why it is so important to **address the deferred maintenance backlog in Arkansas's National Parks, which currently stands at almost \$41 million**, mostly attributed to repairs on roads and buildings.

### Arkansas's National Parks and Deferred Maintenance Figures

✓ Arkansas Post National Memorial	\$3.4 million
✓ Buffalo National River	\$10.5 million
✓ Fort Smith National Historic Site	\$2 million
✓ Hot Springs National Park	\$20 million
✓ Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site	\$169,000
✓ Pea Ridge National Military Park	\$4.6 million
✓ William Jefferson Clinton Birthplace Home National Historic Site	\$263,000

### We need your support!

Please support legislation that provides a dedicated source of funding to address the deferred maintenance backlog in National Parks. The **National Park Service Legacy Act (S. 751/H.R. 2584)** would dedicate funds to the highest priority projects using onshore and offshore mineral royalties that are not otherwise assigned. While 20 percent of funding would be set aside for transportation projects, 80 percent of funding would be allocated for non-transportation projects like buildings.