



## PRESERVING AMERICA

### Fort Osage National Historic Landmark

Fort Osage is the proud recipient of the 2025 Americana Corner Preserving America Grant. The grant allows the historic Fort to expand its living history programs in Jackson County to enhance the visitor experience, boost volunteer participation, and to create vital educational programming. The proposed improvements will include interpretive clothing, reproductions, educational programming, marketing, marketing, stipends for craftspeople and interpretive signage.

The year-one project will focus specifically on the launch of the Officer's Quarters (pictured above), which will include many reproductions purchased specifically for the Officer's Quarters. The addition of interpretive clothing will allow for more accurate representation of the building's history and significance. *Please check back for updates!*



*Officer's Quarters, Fort Osage  
National Historic Landmark*



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# Fort Osage National Historic Landmark Updates

On Tuesday, July 1, Fort Osage unveiled the newly opened **upstairs Officer's Quarters**. Visitors can now explore the historically furnished dining room, private bedroom, and hospital wing—all representing daily life between **1808 and 1822**.

Guests will discover newly created interpretive signage, authentic reproductions, and complimentary postcards (which staff can mail for visitors). These additions help bring to life the experiences of officers stationed on the United States' early western border.

*Officer's Quarters, Clothing*



## Funding from Americana Corner supported:

- New interpretive clothing for staff and volunteers
- Reproduction household items for the Officer's Quarters
- Educational program enhancements
- Updated marketing materials
- New interpretive signage
- Sewing kits that allow staff to craft additional historical garments

These improvements have energized interpreters, volunteers, and staff — who are eager to share these new offerings with the community.

*Free Postcard Display*



*Officer's Quarters, Medicine Cabinet*

