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Message from the

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Dear Friends and Supporters:

We are pleased to bring you the 2011 New Jersey Historic Trust Annual Report. As the state's leading voice for historic preservation, the Trust has accomplished so much this past year and continues to pursue the preservation of our state's most valuable historic resources.

This report highlights the many outstanding historic preservation planning projects that received funding through the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund. I can affirm that the Trust remains a strong and responsive entity, providing both funding and support for current and new grant projects. Since 1990, the NJ Historic Trust has awarded \$134,801,342 to 693 applicants, preserving 477 of New Jersey's historic resources. Conservatively speaking, and because this is a matching grant program, these projects have leveraged another \$134M in private investment.

Of particular note was the Governor's bill signing at the historic Alice Paul Institute in Paulsboro this past summer. Through the approval of \$10 million in state appropriations from prior year's voter referendums, 58 worthy projects received funding.

As you browse through the pages of this beautiful testimony to the important preservation work going on throughout the state, you will discover that the reach of our mission touches everything from churches and schools, to farmsteads and parks. I encourage you to visit these wonderful historic and cultural sites and experience for yourselves the excellent work done by preservationists.

Finally, I want to thank and recognize the outstanding work of the New Jersey Historic Trust staff and board. Because of their continued stewardship, New Jersey's history has been preserved for future generations.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to working with you on future preservation projects.



Richard E. Constable, III
Acting Commissioner

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NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST

Dear Friends:

The Historic Trust remains strong as it continues to administer current and new grant projects. The Trust is also focused on the future and developing projects for collecting information about the condition of New Jersey's historic architecture, providing linkages and resources through the annual preservation conference, and continuing partnership-building with municipal, county and private funding sources.

One highlight this year was Governor Christie's public signing of the Appropriation Bill that authorized 58 grants for both capital and preservation project totaling more than \$10 million. This funding was thanks to voter-approved initiatives in 2007 and 2009. The event took place at the historic Alice Paul House in Mount Laurel.

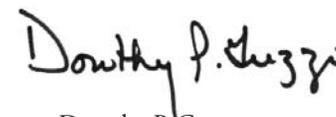
The annual Historic Preservation Conference held at Monmouth University was again supported by a variety of sponsor organizations and offered learning credits to professional architects and planners. The conference continues to attract a variety of speakers who address the specific technical needs of professionals, site stewards, and municipal officials. The 2012 conference will offer even more opportunities to learn from educational sessions, field workshops and hands-on experiences.

New this year was the Trust's partnership with the 1772 Foundation in an effort to provide construction grants to needy historic sites for vital roof, window, and exterior preservation projects. The Trust helped the Foundation review letters of intent and applications, and recommended \$195,000 in funding to 15 historic sites as part of a pilot program that allows the Foundation's resources to be directed to worthy resources.

Thank you for your continued support of the Historic Trust's efforts to provide preservation funding and education opportunities to all who steward our State's historic buildings, parks, districts, landscapes, and archaeological sites.



Chris Perks, P.E.
Chair



Dorothy P. Guzzo
Executive Director

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The Board of Trustees toured the laboratory at the Thomas Edison National Historic Park in West Orange after its December 2010 meeting

Chris Perks, P.E., *Chair*, Camden County

Mr. Perks chairs the legislation and policy committee. Mr. Perks is a professional engineer who resides in Camden City. Mr. Perks is also treasurer of the Camden County Historical Society, and represents the Trust on the NJ Cultural Trust Board.

Thomas H. Brown, Ph.D., *Treasurer*, Union County

Dr. Brown is President Emeritus of Union County College, where he was responsible for 37,000 students in 89 programs of study. Active in many community organizations throughout his teaching and administrative career, Dr. Brown currently serves on the boards of the Elizabeth Development Corporation, the Union County Alliance, and the Union County Workforce Investment Board. He chairs the Education and Outreach Committee.

Carolann Clynes, Union County

A professional real estate broker, former branch office manager, Vice President of Corporate Business Development and appraiser for 30 years, Ms. Clynes has been active in historic preservation since 1990. She chaired the Summit Historic Preservation Commission in the 1990s when the community identified its 12 historic districts in preparation for the 1994 master plan. She spearheaded the movement to save Summit's Richardson-Romanesque town hall built in 1892 that had been slated for sale or demolition. Ms. Clynes has been a member of *Who's Who of American Women* since 2002. She serves on the Grants & Loans Committee and was Committee Chair in 2004-2005; she served as Vice Chair of the Trust 2004-2005; and was Chair of the Trust from 2006-2007.



The Battleship New Jersey in Camden hosted the June meeting of the Board of Trustees, who toured the ship with the Home Port Alliance team.

John D. S. Hatch, A.I.A., Mercer County

Mr. Hatch specializes in historic preservation design and the adaptive use of historic structures. He is a partner with more than 20 years experience at the Trenton-based firm of Clarke Caton Hintz. In addition, he serves on the Historic Preservation Action Committee and the boards of the Trenton Landmarks Commission, Trenton Historical Society and is Immediate Past President of Preservation New Jersey.

Deborah Marquis Kelly, Immediate Past Chair, Burlington County

Ms. Kelly is a former executive director of Preservation New Jersey and since 1996 has been an independent historic preservation consultant through her organization, Preservation Partners. She is the co-author of the New Jersey Women's Heritage Trail, and is the current president of the Chesterfield Township Historical Society. She is the past member and chair of the NJ Historic Sites Council served on the Chesterfield Township Planning Board for 20 years. Ms. Kelly chaired the Trust from 2009-2011, continues to chair the Grants and Loans Committee, and serves on the Historic Preservation Action Committee.

Kenneth A. Miller, Morris County

Mr. Miller is retired from the financial services industry, and serves in a number of volunteer positions, including treasurer of the Joint Free Public Library of Morristown and Morris Township Foundation. He has been involved in preservation as a Commissioner and Chair of Morristown's Historic Preservation Commission, as well as restoring his private residence, a National Historic Landmark. He also serves Morristown as a Commissioner on the Vail Mansion Redevelopment Agency. Ken has served as a citizen member of the Trust's Grants and Loans Committee for several years and will continue serving on that committee as a Trustee.

Meme Omogbai, M.B.A., C.P.A., Vice Chair, Somerset County

Ms. Omogbai was appointed Chief Operating Officer of the Newark Museum in 2001 after serving six years as the Museum's Deputy Director for Finance and Administration. She sits on the Board of Trustees for the Newark Museum Association, the American Association of Museums and several other non-profit groups. At the 2009 New Jersey Historic Preservation Conference, Ms. Omogbai moderated and presented a session entitled, "Embracing Diversity: Timely Response for Long-Term Sustainability." By using Newark Museum as an example, Ms. Omogbai addressed the importance of integrating diversity into the strategic plans of non-profit organizations to assure continued economic growth and community support. In 2010 Ms. Omogbai was selected as one of 25 influential black women in Business in America and she also served on a national panel that recommended cultural funding allocation for Museums in the State of Florida. She serves on the Legislation and Policy Committee.

Elan Zingman-Leith, Cape May County

Elan Zingman-Leith is an innkeeper in Cape May, New Jersey. He is the Curator of the Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts and Humanities which includes the Emlyn Physick Estate. He is chair of the West Cape May Historic Preservation Commission; and has been chair of the Cape May HPC, and Deputy Director of Preservation of the NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission. He wrote the National Register nomination for the Miami Beach Deco District historic district; and with his wife, Susan, wrote *The Secret Life of Victorian Houses*, *Creating Authentic Victorian Rooms*, and *The Secret Streets of Rome*. He serves on the Education and Outreach Committee.

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HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARDS

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The Louis I. Kahn Bath House and Day Camp, was honored by the NJ Historic Trust Grant Project, National Trust for Historic Preservation at its annual conference with the **Crowninshield Award** for the restoration of the modern architecture landmark located in Ewing Township, Mercer County.

Designed by celebrated architect Louis I. Kahn for the Trenton Jewish Community Center in the mid-1950s, the Bath House and Day Camp are considered a turning point in Kahn's illustrious career as well as advancement in Modernist architecture. In 1984, the Bath House and Day Camp were listed on both the National Register of Historic Places and the New Jersey Register—prior to reaching the standard benchmark of 50 years of age—a testament to the building's extreme significance.



The restoration of the 1950s modern landmark Louis I. Kahn Bath House and Day Camp was honored with the National Crowninshield Award by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. (Photos courtesy of Mills+Schnoering and Wu Construction)

By 1997, however, both the Bath House and Day Camp had suffered from continual exposure to the elements, and the owners of the buildings applied for a demolition permit for two of the Day Camp buildings. The threat of demolition attracted public attention—including exposure in the 2003 film “My Architect,” by Louis Kahn’s son Nathaniel Kahn—as well as the formation of the Friends of the Trenton Bath House. In 2008, the Bath House and Day Camp were sold to Mercer County, which utilized State and County funding to undertake a thorough restoration of the entire property. Today, visitors to the site can see the breathtaking results of their efforts. The Day Camp and Bath House have been returned to their original condition, and new landscape features, intended by Kahn



The English barn at Kennedy Martin Stelle Farmstead was stabilized and restored as part of the township's efforts to establish an arts center.

but never completed, have now been woven into the surrounding area. The restoration was supported by a \$750,000 capital grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust in 2008.

In 2011, the **Department of Environmental Protection/Historic Preservation Office** honored two projects completed with funding from the New Jersey Historic Trust. The first is the Louis I. Kahn Bath House and Day Camp.

The second is the Kennedy Martin Stelle Farmstead in Bernards Township. This picturesque farmstead that was part of a local government land

purchase more than a decade ago is rich in history. First home to Nathaniel Rolfe, one of the area's first settlers, the site later served as the home of Colonel Ephraim Martin, a patriot who served in the Continental Army and was later elected to the New Jersey State Legislature. Using a well-planned phased approach, the early English barn and farmhouse have been restored with support from a \$440,393 grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust. The farmhouse is operating as an arts center. The barn will be a venue for performing arts and crafts.



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**2011 NEW JERSEY
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 CONFERENCE**

National Historic Landmark Woodrow Wilson Hall on the Monmouth University Campus in West Long Branch was the backdrop for the June 2011 Historic Preservation Conference, Preservation Looks Forward. The annual event attracted 300 guests, speakers, sponsors and vendors who attended a full day's agenda of educational sessions, field workshops and tours, and an opening plenary session and closing reception.

Keynote speaker Jeffery Otteau, president of real estate consulting firm Otteau Valuation, enlightened the audience about social and economic trends that will influence the preservation of urban and suburban environments in the next generation. Shifting populations, changes in the makeup of households and employment realities will present challenges to preservation advocates who need to stay ahead of the trends, educate new home buyers and renters, and

Left, Keynote speaker Jeffrey Otteau presented trends that will influence future preservation planning. Top, Woodrow Wilson Hall, the center of Monmouth University's campus, provided an elegant backdrop for the day's activities. Bottom, conference guests take a behind the scenes tour of the National Historic Landmark, including views from the restored roofs.

provide residential and commercial rehabilitation projects with amenities that attract new consumers.

Educational offerings targeted municipal historic preservation commission members, planners and architects, historians, archaeologists, historic site stewards, and historic preservation professionals. For the first time, continuing education credits were offered to both American Institute of Architects and American Planning Association members. Field workshops included a hands-on session on materials conservation and a tour of redevelopment and preservation projects in Ocean Grove, Asbury Park and Shrewsbury. A "behind the scenes" tour of Wilson Hall was also popular.





Architect Lisa Easton discussed the preservaton of Wilson Hall's elaborate roofs.

More than 30 vendors and sponsors had exhibit tables and provided information about educational programs, historic sites, architecture and archaeology, and construction, stained glass and financial consulting.

The 2012 NJ Historic Preservation Conference will be held on June 7 at Rider University. The day-long event will feature a keynote address by sustainability author Steve Mouzon, educational sessions, tour opportunities and a closing reception. For more information about this event, visit www.njhistoricpreservationconference.org.



The CSI of Historic Preservation Workshop included hands-on experience examining building materials.

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One afternoon field workshop, above, included a tour of Ocean Grove's Historic District, led by Ted Bell. Dr. Veit, below, discusses cemetery preservation during an afternoon field workshop in Historic Shrewsbury.



Exhibitors included Tuckerton Seaport, left, and Crossroads of the American Revolution, right.



The plenary session speakers included (left to right) Keynote Speaker Jeff Otteau, Historic Trust Chair Deborah Kelly, Senator Jennifer Beck and Monmouth University President Paul G. Gaffney II.



Guests enjoy the elegance of Wilson Hall during the post-conference reception.





Historic flooding in August impacted Trenton and many historic properties throughout the state.

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In addition to the annual preservation conference, the Trust was involved with a number of educational activities throughout the year, staffing its annual information session at the League of Municipalities Conference in Atlantic City and co-hosting the Best Practices Workshop series for non-profit history organizations with the NJ Historical Commission and State Museum. The Trust also exhibited its display and distributed materials at the NJ Historical Commission's annual conference in November, the History Issues convention in March, Archives and History Day in Monmouth County in October and the State History Day in May.



The restored Oyster Sheds at Bivalve were celebrated with a ribbon cutting ceremony.



The New York-New Jersey Trails Conference held a groundbreaking for the rehabilitation of Darlington School House.

The staff presented a Grantee Workshop to new grantees in July 2011.

In the fall of 2011, the Trust began working on a graphic redesign of its web site, incorporating expanded coverage of Heritage Tourism resources and projects and additional funding sources.



The restored pool house at Historic Morven reopened in September, a project funded by the NJ Cultural Trust.

NEW INITIATIVES

Throughout the Year, the Trust staff worked on three new initiatives that will be more fully developed in the 2012 calendar year.

1772 Foundation

The first initiative is a partnership with the 1772 Foundation, a private grant giving organization. The Foundation requested the Trust's participation in a pilot program to award modest grants to needy historic sites in New Jersey. The grantees had to be nonprofit organizations and the capital projects needed to be for exterior repair and restoration.



The Trust screened more than 50 letters of intent and made recommendations to award \$195,000 to 15 sites. Executive Director Dorothy Guzzo presented the Trust's recommendations to the Foundation at its July meeting. Later in the year, the Trust worked with the Foundation to prepare application and guidelines for another grant round in 2012.

"Discover NJ History" License Plate Heritage Tourism Grant Program



One of the recommendations of the NJ Heritage Tourism Task Force was to offer funding that would support the development of heritage sites for improved tourism participation. The NJ Heritage Tourism Plan recommended that the income from sales of the "Discover NJ History" License Plate be targeted for this grant program.

In 2011, the Trust established guidelines and an application process for this new funding source, the "Discover NJ History" License Plate Grant Program. Grants of up to \$3,000 will be available to provide technical assistance, promote interpretation, marketing and links among multiple heritage sites, assess visitor ready potential and needs, and establish performance evaluation systems and to offer training initiatives that foster the Tourism Plan's goals and objectives.

The Trust will launch the new funding program in early 2012.

Capital Needs Survey



The last Capital Needs Survey of historic property in New Jersey was completed 20 years ago. The Historic Trust recognizes the need to revisit the results of that survey and collect new data on historic sites throughout the state. The survey includes sites owned by public entities as well as nonprofit organizations that would benefit from historic future funding for planning, capital and site development projects.

The 2012 Capital Needs Survey will take advantage of the latest technology and encourage site managers and owners to submit their information through an on-line survey. This will enable survey participants to easily access and add to the information they provide for the survey, and enable the Trust to evaluate the information in a more efficient manner. The Trust plans to compile the survey information and publish a summary in 2012.

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COMPLETED PROJECTS

A total of 8 capital preservation projects and 22 historic site management projects were completed from October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011. These projects represent a total investment of more than \$10.5 million into historic preservation jobs, construction, and tourism in New Jersey.

Projects are listed in alphabetical order by county.

ATLANTIC COUNTY

Linwood Borough School No. 1, Linwood

Linwood City received a grant of \$18,000 that helped fund the preparation of a preservation plan that will guide future exterior restoration work. This 1873 school has been in continuous public use as a school, town hall, library and home to the Linwood Historical Society, which now operates it as a museum.



Linwood Borough School No. 1, with its new interpretive sign.

BERGEN COUNTY

Darlington Schoolhouse, Mahwah

The New York-New Jersey Trail Conference used a \$50,000 grant to help fund construction documents and National Register nomination for the 1891 Richardson Romanesque building that will be its headquarters.

BURLINGTON COUNTY

Bishop-Irick Farmstead, Southampton

The Pinelands Preservation Alliance used a \$9,092 grant to help fund a feasibility study of its 1932 dairy barn. The Alliance is considering options to repair and reuse the barn for educational and rental activities.



St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Beverly Steeple before, left, and after, above.

Chesterford School, Maple Shade Township

Maple Shade Township received a \$47,749 grant to prepare a National Register nomination, preservation plan and construction documents. The project also investigated accessibility alternatives for this c. 1811 schoolhouse.

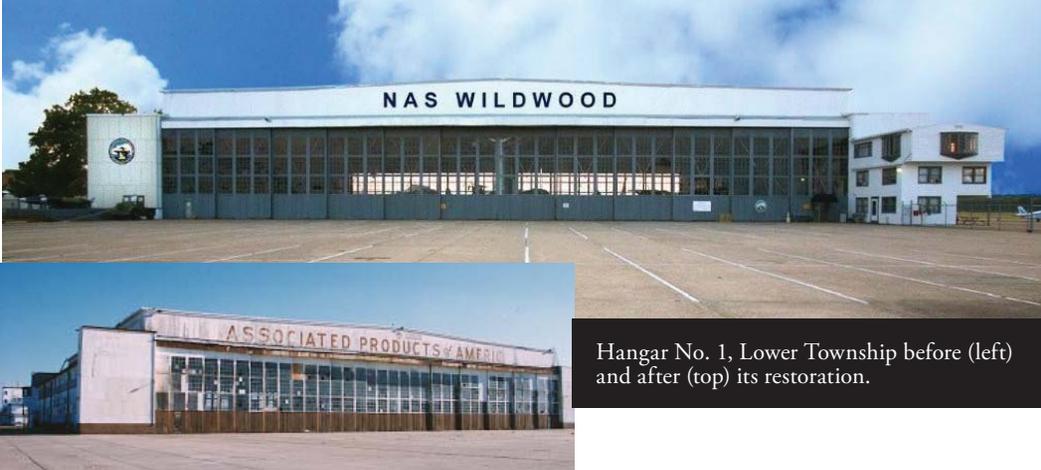


John. A Roebling & Sons Company: Kinkora Works, Florence

The Roebling Museum used a \$50,000 grant to help fund an interpretive development plan for its seven-acre mill yard and a schematic design for restoration of the time office building. This factory complex was constructed beginning in 1905 and remains as a good example of a company town.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Beverly

The church received a \$289,945 grant that helped fund the structural stabilization and reroofing of its prominent steeple. The Gothic Revival style church has been a regional landmark since its construction in the 1850s.



Hangar No. 1, Lower Township before (left) and after (top) its restoration.

CAPE MAY COUNTY

Hangar No. 1, Lower Township

The Naval Air Station Wildwood Foundation's \$103,784 grant helped fund ongoing exterior restoration, including windows and doors. This World War II era landmark is now a museum of aircraft and military history.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

1857 Millville Bank, Millville

A \$29,767 grant to the city helped fund a preservation plan for this 1857 Italianate structure. Remodeled in 1908 in the Colonial Revival style, the brick building has also served as public library, city offices, and the Millville Historical Society's headquarters.

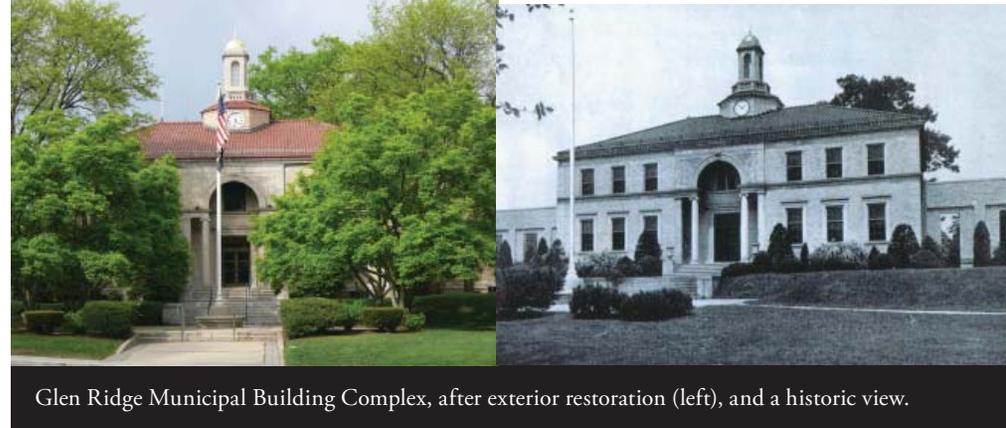
ESSEX COUNTY

Bloomfield Presbyterian Church, Bloomfield

A \$50,000 grant to the church helped fund a structural assessment of its 1797 church truss system.

Orange City Hall, Orange City

A \$43,758 grant to the City helped fund the preparation of a preservation plan that will guide future repairs to the building. The city hall was originally constructed as a local public school and was later converted to serve as the municipal hall.



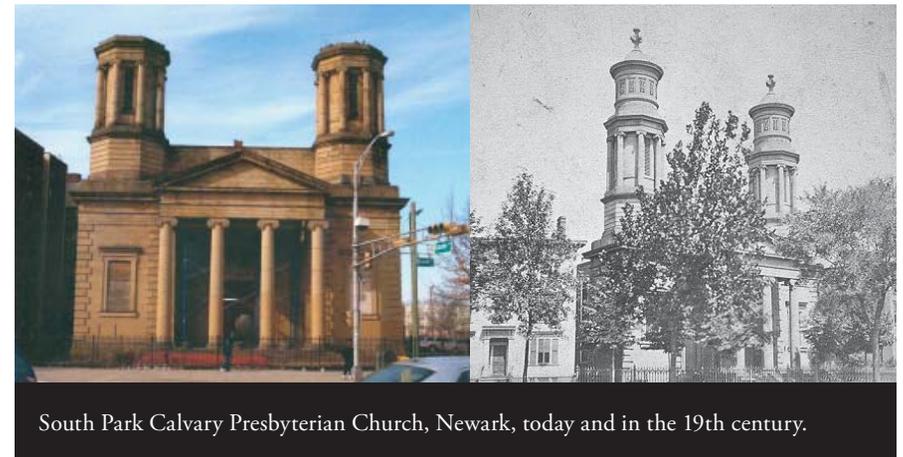
Glen Ridge Municipal Building Complex, after exterior restoration (left), and a historic view.

Glen Ridge Municipal Building Complex, Glen Ridge

Glen Ridge used a \$664,200 grant to help fund extensive exterior repairs to the Municipal Building Complex. The complex, built in 1931, houses municipal offices, the police station and the public library.

South Park Calvary Presbyterian Church, Newark

A \$300,000 grant to the Lincoln Park/Cultural Coast District helped fund the first phase of restoration of the building's façade, all that remains of the landmark church after a 1992 fire. The structure will be a gateway to a planned cultural district.



South Park Calvary Presbyterian Church, Newark, today and in the 19th century.



HUDSON COUNTY

Star of Israel Synagogue, Hoboken

In 2006, the United Synagogue of Hoboken was awarded \$280,707 to help fund extensive exterior and interior restoration. Built in 1915, the building exemplifies traditional European 19th century synagogue architecture with eastern architectural details, copper onion domes, and stained glass windows with colorful scrollwork.

HUNTERDON COUNTY

Lambertville City Hall, Lambertville

The City of Lambertville's offices are housed in the original A.H. Holcombe residence, built in 1871 in the Second Empire style. A \$486,180 grant helped support its exterior restoration and accessibility improvements.



Upper Bellemont Farm, Hopewell

MERCER COUNTY

Delaware Inn, Trenton

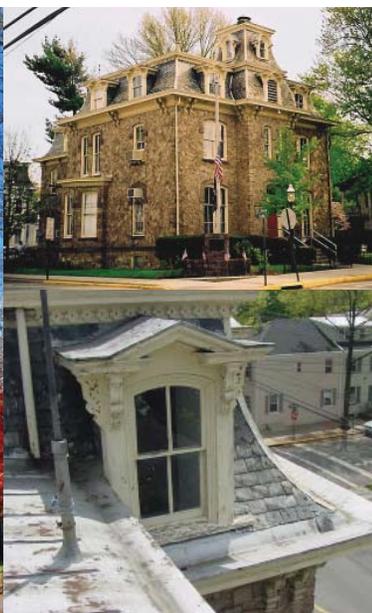
The Port of Trenton Museum Foundation used a \$50,000 grant to help fund a structural analysis, preservation plan and schematic designs for this 1790s inn.

First Presbyterian Church of Pennington, Pennington

The First Presbyterian Church of Pennington received a \$40,221 grant to help fund a preservation plan, construction documents, and nomination to the National Register for this 1875 Victorian Gothic Revival Church.

Upper Bellemont Farm, Hopewell

The Mercer County Planning Division received a grant of \$48,715 that funded a feasibility study for this 18th century barn. The County is exploring new uses for the building as a heritage tourism center.



Lambertville City Hall, after restoration (left) and before (top).

MORRIS COUNTY

Historic Speedwell Vail House and Moses Etsey House, Morristown

The Morris County Parks Commission received a \$50,000 grant that helped fund detailed planning documents for these two houses. Stephen Vail's house is at the site of his ironworks and the Etsey House dates to the late 18th century.



Historic Speedwell Vail House and Moses Etsey House, Morristown



Morris Canal Lock 2 East, Wharton

The Borough of Wharton received a \$50,000 grant that helped fund the preparation of restoration documents for the Morris Canal Lock 2 East, an archaeological site that is buried but believed to be intact.

Henry Doremus House, Montville

The \$230,591 grant to the township helped fund interior and exterior restoration of this pre-Revolution era building that had not experienced any modern improvements.



PASSAIC COUNTY

Eastside Park Horse Stable, Paterson

A \$50,000 grant to the Eastside Neighborhood Association in Paterson helped fund construction documents to rehabilitate and reuse the deteriorated stable building in this actively used park.

SOMERSET COUNTY

70 Miles of Legend and Lore, Bridgewater

With a \$21,505 grant, the Heritage Trail Association prepared an audio CD that provides two driving tours of more than 25 historic sites throughout Somerset County.

First Reformed Church of Rocky Hill, Rocky Hill

A \$19,372 grant to the First Reformed Church of Rocky Hill helped fund the preparation of a restoration plan for this picturesque Carpenter Gothic style church that was constructed in 1856.

Franklin Inn, Franklin Township

The township received a grant of \$39,863 to help fund a Historic Structure Report for the Franklin Inn. Originally a Dutch-framed 1734 farmhouse built for the Van Liew family, the building was remodeled into an inn and later a place of business.

Van-der-Veer Harris House, Hillsborough

The township received a \$50,000 grant that helped fund planning and construction documents for the rehabilitation of this Colonial Revival style house.

UNION COUNTY

Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church, Plainfield

A \$47,186 grant helped fund the study of the church's unusual cast-stone exterior to determine an appropriate method of repair. Originally constructed in 1871, the church was destroyed by fire and rebuilt from 1932-34 in a new design.



The Henry Doremus House, Montville before (bottom) and after (top) its restoration



The Port Colden Schoolhouse, Washington, from left to right: before interior work, the restored schoolhouse exterior, and after interior restoration.

Fanwood Park Historic District, Fanwood

Fanwood Borough received a grant of \$40,000 that helped fund a feasibility study for its Transfer of Development Rights Demonstration Program sending area. The community contains many architecturally historic buildings that are threatened by unsympathetic remodeling.

WARREN COUNTY

St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, Hope Township

A grant in the amount of \$7,526 helped fund construction plans for the restoration of the steeple. St. Luke’s Church is an example of early 19th century Gothic Revival ecclesiastical architecture.

Port Colden Schoolhouse, Washington

The Washington Township Board of Education’s \$273,800 grant helped fund restoration of the first floor and rehabilitation of the second floor of this 1868 school house. The building now houses school district offices, and the first floor is interpreted to the public and used as a teaching tool for local and regional students.

Vass Farmstead, Hardwick

The Hardwick Township Historical Society used a \$266,437 grant to help fund the first phase of restoration for this German farmstead that dates to 1812. Work included exterior and interior restoration of the house, new roofing materials, and structural repairs to the barn.



The Vass Farmstead, Hardwick before (bottom) and after (top) the first phase of restoration work.



BILL SIGNING

In August 2011, Governor Christie signed the appropriations bill that authorized more than \$10 million in matching grants to 58 projects for Preservation and Planning. The signing took place at Paulsdale, National Historic Landmark and birthplace of Alice Stokes Paul in Mount Laurel, and was attended by dignitaries and members of the press who reported on the Governor's remarks. The full list of funded projects is on the following pages.

FULL TRANSCRIPT OF GOVERNOR CHRIS CHRISTIE'S OPENING STATEMENT • August 15, 2011

From the time of the Revolutionary War and the Underground Railroad to Thomas Edison and Alice Paul, the people and the places of our state have been the nucleus of many of our country's most significant historical events. Here in Mount Laurel at Paulsdale, Alice Paul secured her name in history as all of you know. She was first introduced to the women's suffrage movement in New Jersey by her mother who often brought Alice to meetings. And it's here where she developed her sense of activism and drive to secure equal rights for women, which eventually led to the successful campaign that resulted in the passage of the 19th amendment, giving women the right to vote. It's thanks to her courage, her dedication, that equal rights for women were finally secured in the ballot box.

We want to make sure her story continues to be told and to be preserved for future generations, which is why today we're ensuring that New Jersey's storied past remains vibrant and accessible for years to come. The legislation I'm signing and just did sign, will provide ten million dollars to help the New Jersey Historic Trust preserve 58 historic sites around New Jersey.

Of the projects to be funded, \$945,000 will be used to provide historic site management grants for 29 projects in 13 counties. These grants support non construction activities, such as long term operations planning and programs, including building assessments and archeological investigations and educational campaigns as well. This includes places that are such a part of our history. Places like Destination Paulsdale and Sunnyside Farm here in Mount Laurel, Joseph Cooper House in Camden, the Grover Cleveland birthplace in Caldwell, Fort Hancock Barracks in Middletown.

The rest of the funding, 9.3 million dollars will go to capital preservation grants for the restoration and rehabilitation of historic resources for new or continued active use and two different levels of projects. There's a level one



capital project, those are 12 projects in eight counties. And examples of those are the James and Anne Whitehall House in National Park borough and Cumberland National Bank in Bridgeton.

Then there's level two grant recipients and those are 17 projects in eight counties. And some examples of those are the Ocean City Life Saving Station in Ocean City and the Foster Fields Living Historical Farm in

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Morris Township which right down the street from where I live and pass almost every day coming to and from work. So I understand living in a place like Morris County that while there's history all across New Jersey, I am partial to where I live, like most of us are and there's a lot of history in Morris County and Foster Fields is one of those places. So it's important to recognize that rehabilitating our historic treasures serves an economic purpose in addition to attracting tourism, spurring neighborhood revitalization and encouraging economic growth in our state, along with a very laudable part of having it available to teach our children and their children about the history of this state.

I want to commend the Historic Trust for their work including the projects we've announced today. The Trust has awarded more than 135 million dollars in 697 matching grants since 1990. Preserving these cultural and historical sites is critical to ensuring that future generations have the opportunity to learn more about New Jersey's place in history.

Again, this is another example of the things I've been talking about for the last month where there's bipartisan support across the legislature. Senator Addiego, Assemblyman Rudder are here, Assembly Milam is here. Republicans and Democrats who understand that preserving New Jersey's history, both for our cultural future and our economic future is not a partisan issue, and

not something that should be bickered over by people just because we're in opposite parties.

Also I want to thank all of you who have worked so hard on these historical issues, cultural issues over time. It is a difficult budget time in our state, has been for years. And with the leadership of folks like Commissioner Grifa at the DCA who is trying to make the best use of the resources that she has available to her to make to make sure that they have the greatest effect on the people and institutions of our state. We're doing the best we can. We know that at times it means that we can't say yes to everything that you'd like us to do and we take no joy in that. But we have a real sense of responsibility that our job first and foremost is to be an effective and trusted steward of that tax money that the people of this state give to us especially during these really difficult economic times that they believe that the people at the head of this government take seriously that the expenditure of any tax dollars are to be taken with great care. And we're not always perfect about that. And there will be mistakes that are made but it doesn't mean that that gives us an excuse for ever stopping trying to do the best we possibly can.

And so I sign this bill today with real sense of satisfaction that we've met those criteria. That this is something the people of New Jersey really want us to do. Something they believe in and something they're willing to take their hard earned dollars out of their pocket and put on the table for the collective good. That's why you see Republicans and Democrats together on this issue because it is for the un-inarguable public good. And so I want to thank all of you for your efforts, you help to bring this to the floor for us. You help to make sure that we don't forget when we get our green eye shades on at times which we have to do that there are also big issues to be concerned about too. And what is our future going to look like, not only fiscally, but once we survive this difficult period, what's our culture going to look like when we get on the other side. What will our children's and our grandchildren's sense of history be? If you live in this state, you have to have a great sense of the history of this country, we were integral to its creation and we must always be a place where people can come to reflect and appreciate on all that is truly extraordinary about America and about being Americans. And I can tell you that I believe that this is one of those things that we have to find the resources to do to be able to continue on with this type of effort.

Governor Chris Christie • August 15, 2011

Grants Awarded

GARDEN STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND, HISTORIC SITE MANAGEMENT GRANTS

Historic Site Management Grants are awarded for non-construction activities, including preservation planning, archaeological studies, engineering reports, feasibility studies, and cultural landscape plans.

BURLINGTON COUNTY

Abbott Farm National Historic Landmark District

A \$46,875 grant to Mercer County Park Commission will help fund the development of new branding and signage design for this historical and archaeological resource, which encompasses public, private, and government buildings as well as open space and park land.

Destination Paulsdale, Mount Laurel

The 1800s farmhouse of Alice Paul, founder of the National Women's Party in 1919 and Equal Rights Amendment in 1923, has been restored to its original appearance and is a National Historic Landmark. A \$20,000 grant to the Alice Paul Institute will help fund planning for improved marketing and signage for visitors.

Sunnyside Farm, Mount Laurel

The township was awarded \$12,000 for a feasibility study of this 19th century farmhouse to determine a recommended use of the property.

Rancocas Lyceum, Westampton

The 1877 lyceum became a fire station and is now a community center, a central fixture of the community. The grant award of \$30,690 to the Westampton Historical Society will help fund the preparation of a preservation plan and nomination to the National Register.



Westmont Theatre, Haddon Township

CAMDEN COUNTY

Joseph Cooper House, Camden

Built in 1695 for Joseph Cooper and later used as a city library, this Dutch Colonial stone house was severely damaged by fire in 2005. The \$48,000 grant to Cooper's Ferry Development Association will help fund the study of preservation alternatives.

Westmont Theatre, Haddon Township

Haddon Township received a \$50,000 grant to help prepare for stabilization of the 1927 theatre, and determine the feasibility of reopening it as a performance venue.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Bridgeton City Hall, Bridgeton

A \$15,000 grant to the City of Bridgeton will help fund the preparation of a preservation plan for this 1932 Neoclassical brick-and-limestone City Hall building designed by Philadelphia architect Clarence Edmunds Wunder.

ESSEX COUNTY

Branch Brook Park, Newark and Belleville

The Branch Brook Park Alliance received a \$34,612 grant to fund restoration planning for the Northern Division of this park located in Newark and Belleville.

Newark Public Schools, Newark

The Newark Preservation and Landmarks Committee was granted \$18,000 to nominate six inner-city schools to the New Jersey and National Register of Historic Places.

Essex County Jail, Newark

This 1837 jail designed by John Haviland, architect of the Eastern State Penitentiary in Philadelphia, will be studied in preparation for future reuse of the building. The City of Newark received a \$50,000 grant.



Essex County Jail, Newark

Grover Cleveland Birthplace, Caldwell

The Grover Cleveland Birthplace Association received \$49,500 to help fund the preparation of a feasibility study, archaeological assessment, and heritage tourism assessment for the state-owned historic site.

HUDSON COUNTY

West Bergen Historic District, Jersey City

A \$50,000 grant to Jersey City supports the preparation of a New Jersey and National Register nomination for this residential area of c.1880-1930 buildings in Jersey City,

Paulus Hook Park, Jersey City

A \$50,000 grant was awarded to the Historic Paulus Hook Association for the preparation of construction drawings and design development of this park on the site of a Revolutionary War fort.



Quakertown Methodist Episcopal Church, Quakertown



West Bergen Historic District, Jersey City

HUNTERDON COUNTY

Christoffel Vought Farmstead, Clinton Township

The 1759 Vought House Inc. was granted \$30,000 for the preparation of a conditions assessment and vision plan of the German bank house.

Hunt's Mill and Mulligan Quarry, Clinton

This historic mill, constructed c.1810, and its adjoining limestone quarry, in use until 1964, is now the Red Mill Museum Village. A \$14,429 grant

will help fund the design, fabrication and installment of interpretive and directional signage.

Solitude House, High Bridge

The Borough of High Bridge received a grant of \$50,000 for the preparation of a preservation plan for this late 1700s house and its surrounding outbuildings, all of which were significant in the industrial development of New Jersey.

Quakertown Methodist Episcopal Church, Quakertown

The Quakertown United Methodist Church received a grant of \$7,500 for the preparation of a preservation plan for this 1879 church.

MERCER COUNTY

Cadwalader Park, Trenton

The Cadwalader Park Alliance received \$33,750 grant to develop interpretive signage, and marketing resources for this Olmstead-designed inner city park.

Louis I. Kahn Trenton Bath House and Day Camp, Ewing

Ewing Township received \$18,348 for the preparation of a maintenance manual for long-term preservation for the bath house and day camp pavilions designed by Louis Kahn and still in use today.

Pleasant Valley School and John Phillips House, Titusville

The district's oldest surviving house and school are a part of the Howell Living History Farm in Titusville. Friends of Howell Living History Farm received a \$16,875 grant to support capital campaign planning.

MONMOUTH COUNTY

Barracks Building #22, Middletown Township

Fort Hancock is a National Historic Landmark, important in the defense of New York Harbor. Building #22 is one of four identical barracks buildings, now headquarters of the NJ Sea Grant Consortium. A \$23,210 grant will fund a master plan, and construction documents for improved accessibility.

MORRIS COUNTY

Greystone, Parsippany-Troy-Hills

A \$50,000 grant to the New Jersey Department of Treasury will help fund the preparation of a feasibility assessment for reuse and redevelopment of the 1876 Greystone Psychiatric Hospital.

Ledgewood Historic District, Roxbury

The Roxbury Township Historical Society received a grant of \$7,500 for preparation of a National Register nomination for this historic district associated with the development and operation of the Morris Canal.



Greystone, Parsippany-Troy-Hills

PASSAIC COUNTY

Old Paterson Post Office, Paterson

This building with Flemish-style architectural elements has served as a post office, a courthouse, and an administrative building. The \$50,000 grant to Passaic County will help fund the preparation of a maintenance plan and a condition assessment.

SOMERSET COUNTY

Jacobus Vanderveer House, Bedminster

The 1760s Dutch American-core farmhouse was part of the Pluckemin encampment, considered to be the first installment to train American military in artillery and engineering. The \$48,750 grant to the Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House will help fund a comprehensive heritage tourism assessment.

UNION COUNTY

Elizabeth and Gershom Frazee House, Scotch Plains

The late 1700s Dutch-style house, significant for its owner's involvement with the 1777 Battle of Short Hills, was occupied until 1997. A \$29,126 grant to the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Frazee House, Inc., will help fund a Master Plan for future preservation, study and interpretation.

WARREN COUNTY

Lock Tender's House, Lock 4 West, Morris Canal, Saxton Falls

A \$12,000 grant to the Canal Society of New Jersey will help fund the design and construction documents to stabilize the deteriorated Lock Tender's House, associated with the operation of the Morris Canal.

Morris Canal, Lopatcong Township

A \$29,831 was awarded to North Jersey Resource Conservation and Development to help fund a feasibility study and conceptual plans for the altering of Lopatcong Creek and restoration of the towpath associated with the Morris Canal in Lopatcong Township.

Roseberry House, Phillipsburg

Phillipsburg Area Historical Society received a \$50,000 grant for the preparation of a preservation plan and other studies of this Georgian-style residence that retains unique American wall decoration.

Grants Awarded

GARDEN STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND, CAPITAL PRESERVATION GRANTS

Capital Preservation Grants are awarded to projects for “bricks and mortar” construction, including preservation repair, restoration, and rehabilitation, which includes improvements to make sites fully accessible.

BERGEN COUNTY

New Milford Plant of the Hackensack Water Company, Oradell

The 1886 Waterworks in the Borough of Oradell is a unique example of the technology of water purifying because of their scale and architectural beauty. The \$704,384 grant to Bergen County will help stabilization to allow the public to walk around the structures safely.

CAPE MAY COUNTY

U.S. Life Saving Station, Ocean City

A \$750,000 grant to the City of Ocean City will help fund interior and exterior restoration of this former U.S. Life Saving Service Station. The station will be restored to its circa 1915 appearance when it belonged to the U.S. Coast Guard.

Hangar No. 1, Lower Township

A \$251,340 grant to the Naval Air Station Wildwood Foundation in Rio Grande will help fund accessibility improvements and structural roof repairs for this World War II era military building, now a museum of historic aircraft.

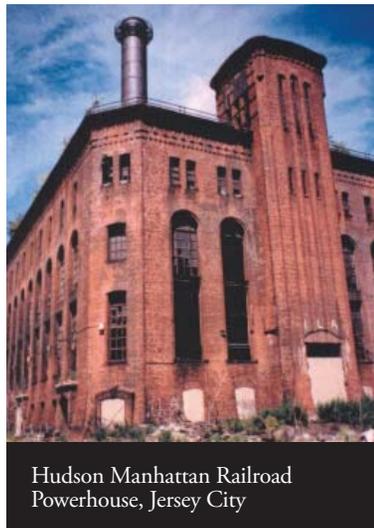
CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Cumberland National Bank, Bridgeton

A \$150,000 grant to Bridgeton City and Friends of Bridgetown Library will help fund exterior restoration based on a preservation plan for the original 1816 bank that later became the Bridgeton Free Public Library.

Millville Bank, Millville

A grant of \$150,000 to the City of Millville will help fund structural repairs and exterior restoration as well as an interpretive marker for the 1857 Italianate building used as Millville’s first bank. The building subsequently housed the public library and the historical society.



ESSEX COUNTY

Christian Union Congregational Church, Montclair

The Union Congregational Church in Montclair received a \$750,000 grant to help fund masonry restoration on its Norman-Romanesque style church building.

South Orange Village Hall, South Orange Village

A \$669,000 grant to South Orange Village will help fund the exterior restoration and accessible improvements to the municipal hall. Constructed in 1894, this decorative building is a landmark with its domed, octagonal clock tower.

South Park Presbyterian Church, Newark

This church was designed by classical revival architect John Welsh in 1885 in the Greek-Revival style. All but the façade was destroyed in a 1992 fire. The grant of \$300,000 to the Lincoln Park Coastal Cultural District will help fund ongoing stabilization.

GLOUCESTER COUNTY

James and Ann Whittall House, National Park

This Georgian-style house was the center of an 18th century plantation and associated with the Revolutionary War’s Battle of Red Bank. A \$136,254 grant to Gloucester County will help improve accessibility.

HUDSON COUNTY

Hudson County Courthouse, Jersey City

A grant of \$750,000 was awarded to Hudson County for this Beaux Art style building in Jersey City. The grant will assist in the interior renovation and restoration of the rotunda, murals and dome.

Hudson Manhattan Railroad Powerhouse, Jersey City

A \$250,000 grant to the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency will help fund stabilization of this 1906 structure that was used as a powerhouse until 1929. The building exhibits impressive steel and brick architectural details.

HUNTERDON COUNTY

Case Dvoor Farmstead, Flemington

A \$150,000 grant to the Hunterdon Land Trust will help fund the slate roof replacement and some interior restoration of the farmhouse and exterior rehabilitation of the wagon house of this farmstead that dates to the 1790s.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Kirkpatrick Chapel, New Brunswick

The Sophia Astley Kirkpatrick Chapel, situated within the Old Queens Campus of Rutgers University, was constructed in 1872 in the Gothic Revival style. A \$254,927 grant to Rutgers State University will help fund stained glass window restoration.

Metlar-Knapp-Bodine House, Piscataway Township

One of only two houses remaining from the settlement period at Raritan Landing, this house constructed between 1728 and the mid-1800s contains Greek-Revival and Colonial influences. The \$150,000 grant to Piscataway Township will help fund accessibility improvements and interior rehabilitation.

St. Peter the Apostle R.C. Church, New Brunswick

Three buildings near the Old Queens Campus of Rutgers University comprise the St Peter the Apostle campus, including the 1840 rectory and the 1854 church, designed by noted ecclesiastical architect Patrick Keeley. The \$750,000 grant will help fund exterior restoration.

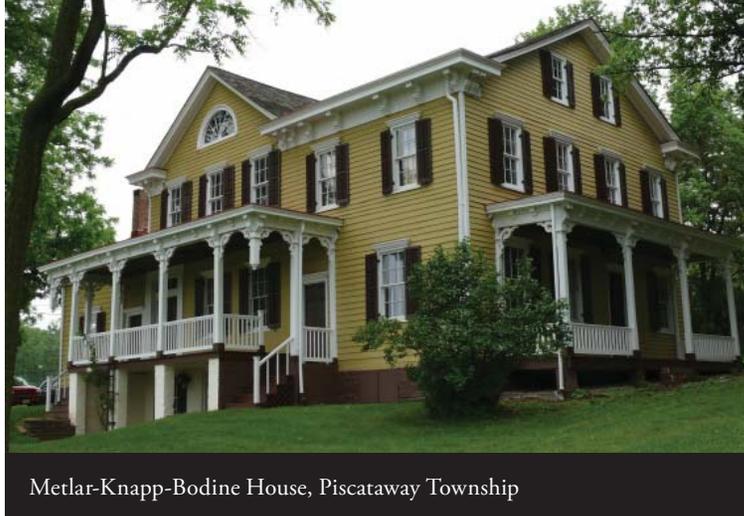
Surveyor General's Office, Perth Amboy

This mid-1850s office built in the Italianate and Greek Revival styles served as the home of the Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey until 1998. A \$110,635 grant to the City of Perth Amboy will help fund exterior and interior restoration and improve accessibility.

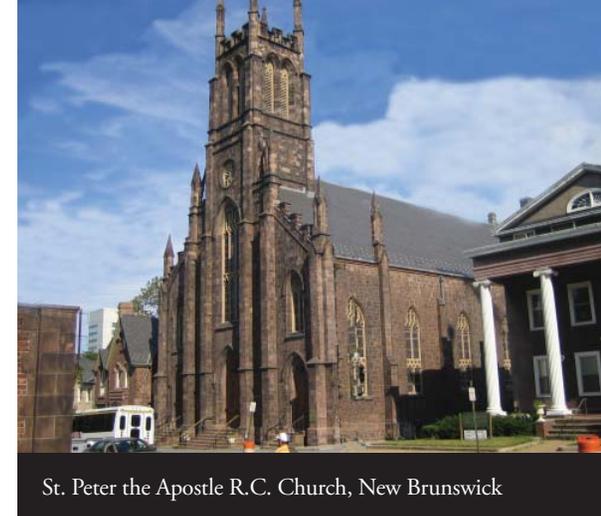
MORRIS COUNTY

Amzi Stephens Homestead, Mount Olive

This 1865 Second Empire-style house in Stephens State Park retains many of its original architectural elements. A \$112,985 grant will help fund a needed roof replacement.



Metlar-Knapp-Bodine House, Piscataway Township



St. Peter the Apostle R.C. Church, New Brunswick

Church of the Redeemer, Morristown

The Church of the Redeemer was awarded \$250,000 for exterior restoration of its 1926 parish hall, which houses a daily food program.

Fosterfields Living History Farm, Morristown

Fosterfields became the state's first living history museum in 1976. A grant of \$659,400 to the Morris County Parks Commission will help fund the restoration of the main barn to its circa 1926 appearance.



Surveyor General's Office, Perth Amboy



Fosterfields Living History Farm, Morristown

Morristown Library, Morristown

A \$279,737 grant to Morristown and Morris Township Public Libraries will help fund the exterior restoration and masonry repairs of this 1917 Collegiate Gothic style building.

OCEAN COUNTY

Linwood Borough School # 1, Linwood

Built in 1873 as a one-room schoolhouse, this building also served as the municipal hall and public library until 1986 when it became a history museum. Linwood City was awarded \$47,199 for its exterior restoration.

PASSAIC COUNTY

Hinchliffe Stadium, Paterson

The Friends of Hinchliffe Stadium was awarded \$500,000 for the stabilization of the stadium, which is unique for its association with the history of Negro League baseball and New Deal public works projects.

S.U.M. Great Falls Power Plant, Paterson

This 1914 power plant still generates power, but suffers from constant exposure to moisture and freeze-thaw cycles that are inevitable to its environment. The \$180,000 grant to the Paterson Municipal Utilities Authority will help fund ongoing exterior restoration of the building.

SOMERSET COUNTY

Kennedy Martin Stelle Farmstead, Bernards Township

The Friends of the Kennedy Martin Stelle Farmstead received a \$176,483 grant that will help fund archaeological investigations, interior restoration of the farmhouse, and accessibility improvements to the barn. The property is now an arts and community center.

Presbyterian Church at Bound Brook, Bound Brook

A \$400,000 award to the Presbyterian Church at Bound Brook, a Tudor Revival church with Gothic Revival influences, will help fund exterior restoration and stabilization based on recommendations from a previous preservation plan.

UNION COUNTY

First Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth

This church, significant to the Revolutionary War, is now a lunch and recreational rest stop for locals and heritage visitors to the area. The \$79,242 grant will help fund the last phase of cemetery restoration.

Oswald J. Nitschke House, Kenilworth

A \$150,000 grant to the Kenilworth Historical Society will help fund interior restoration including historic furnishes, flooring and lighting that will enable the building to open as a museum.

WARREN COUNTY

Morris Canal Inclined Plane 9 West, Greenwich

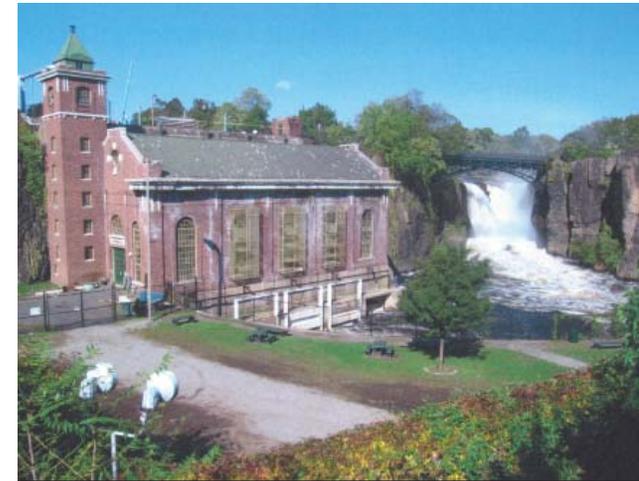
The 19th century Morris Canal, was important to the industrial development of New Jersey, and made use of inclined planes to overcome differences in height. The \$43,198 grant to Warren County will help fund masonry restoration of the remaining features of this site in Greenwich.

Ramsaysburg Homestead, Knowlton

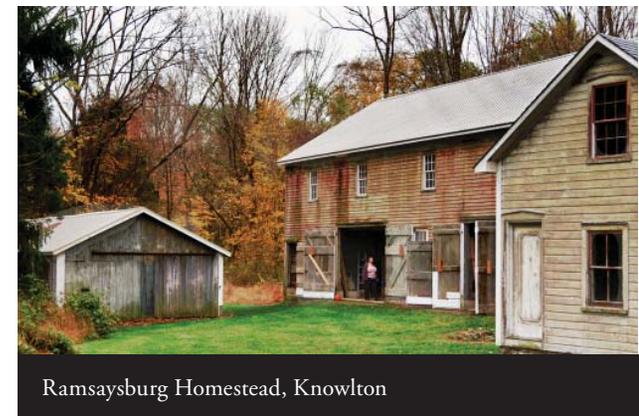
The Knowlton Township Historic Commission was granted \$150,000 for the exterior restoration of the residence and outbuildings on this 12-acre preserved open space site. An accessible ramp and interpretive signage are part of the project for the homestead that is historically associated with the logging industry on the Delaware.



Hinchliffe Stadium, Paterson



S.U.M. Great Falls Power Plant, Paterson



Ramsaysburg Homestead, Knowlton

2011

Grants Awarded

THE 1772 FOUNDATION *and* THE NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST

This partnership between the 1772 Foundation and the New Jersey Historic Trust was initiated by the Foundation as a means to effectively award grant funds to worthy preservation projects in the state of New Jersey. The Historic Trust reviewed 58 letters of inquiry for the first year of the program. The final grant awards to 15 organizations (listed below), totaled \$195,000.

Swedish Granary

Cumberland County Historical Society
Greenwich, Cumberland County
\$10,220 helps fund a preservation plan for this 17th century log building

1759 Vought House

1759 Vought House Inc.: A Revolutionary War Loyalist Homestead
Clinton Township, Hunterdon County
\$15,000 helps fund roof repairs for this German-designed house

Yereance-Berry House

Meadowlands Museum
Rutherford, Passaic County
\$15,000 helps fund roof repairs for this building dedicated to local history

Ritz Theater

Ritz Theatre Company, Inc.
Haddon Township, Camden County
\$15,000 helps fund window restoration for the 1927 theatre



Swedish Granary

William Edgar Reeve House

Westfield Historical Society
Westfield, Union County
\$15,000 helps fund window restoration for this Queen Anne style residence, now a local history center

Bartlett-Rockhill House

Barnegat Bay Decoy & Baymen's Museum (Tuckerton Seaport)
Tuckerton, Ocean County
\$14,992 helps fund window restoration for this 1835 house, a focal point of the Maritime Museum



Edison School House, Hungarian Church

Edison School House, Hungarian Church

Franklin Historical Society
Franklin Borough, Sussex County
\$15,000 helps fund roof repairs to this modest building, now a community and heritage center

Mahlon Fisher House

Hunterdon County Historical Society
Flemington, Hunterdon County
\$15,000 helps fund roof and porch restoration of this high-style Greek Revival house

Case/Dvoor Farm

Hunterdon Land Trust Alliance
Raritan Township, Hunterdon County
\$15,000 helps fund slate roof restoration of the farm house on this preserved farm



Richardson Avenue School



Ewing Douglass House Cold Spring Village



Hopper-Goetschius House

Richardson Avenue School

Historical and Educational Lodge-Hall Preservatory, Inc.
Swedesboro, Gloucester County
\$10,000 helps fund exterior painting of this 20th century last “separate but equal” school for African American children

Merchants and Drovers Tavern

Merchants & Drovers Tavern Museum Assoc.
Rahway, Union County
\$15,000 helps fund chimney re-pointing for this 1795 museum

Perkins House

Perkins Center for the Arts
Moorestown, Burlington County
\$15,000 helps fund exterior painting of this 1910 residence, now an arts center

Red Mill Wheel House

The Red Mill Museum Village
Clinton, Hunterdon County
\$15,000 helps fund sill replacement at the Wheel House, one of the site’s 12 historic buildings

Hopper-Goetschius House

Upper Saddle River Historical Society
Upper Saddle River Borough, Bergen County
\$5,680 helps fund a preservation plan for the 17th century stone house

Cold Spring Village

Historic Cold Spring Village
Lower Township, Cape May County
\$4,108 helps fund roof, porch and window repairs on multiple buildings at this living history museum

The Mission of the Trust is to advance historic preservation in New Jersey for the benefit of future generations through education, stewardship and financial investment programs that save our heritage and strengthen our communities.

The Historic Trust seeks to achieve its mission by serving as:

- *A leading voice for preservation at the state level.*
- *A catalyst for preservation and community revitalization activities.*
- *A full partner in state policy development.*

The Trust also provides financial support, protection and technical assistance through six programs:

The **Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund** was created by legislation in November 1998, signed into law on June 30, 1999 for the purpose of preserving open space, farmland, and historic sites with funding from state revenues, guaranteed for the next decade. This source of grant funds allowed the Trust to address the preservation needs of properties throughout the state through fiscal year 2009. In 2007 and in 2009, voters approved referendums to provide additional funding for historic preservation projects. The GSHPTF continues the work of the Historic Preservation Bond Program, which from 1990-1997 awarded \$52 million in capital grants to assist preservation projects statewide.

The **Cultural Trust Capital Preservation Grants Program** provides funding to protect and improve historic properties that are used by organizations that have history or humanities programming. Grants of may be used for stabilization, repair, restoration, adaptive use, and increased accessibility. This funding is offered in cooperation with the New Jersey Cultural Trust.

The **Discover NJ Historic License Plate Fund** for Heritage Tourism provides small grants to develop and promote visitor ready sites.

In partnership with the **1772 Foundation**, the Historic Trust offers Capital Preservation Grants up to \$15,000 to nonprofit organizations for repair and restoration projects.

The Trust offers long-term, low interest loans through the **Historic Preservation Revolving Loan Fund**, which provides for the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation, or restoration of historic properties. The maximum available from the fund is \$370,000 and some matching funds will be required.

An **Emergency Grant and Loan Fund** provides limited seed funds for critically needed work on endangered historic resources. The grant portion of this program is temporarily halted.

The **Preservation Easement Program** ensures the preservation of privately owned properties in perpetuity through the use of deed restrictions. The Trust initiated the first statewide program of this kind, which enables easement donors to take advantage of charitable deduction tax benefits.

The Trust accepts donations of real estate through its **New Jersey Legacies** program. Property donors may realize significant income and estate tax benefits by their donations, and donated properties are resold by the Trust with protective easements to ensure their preservation.



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