



The 1772 Foundation Awards Grants to New Jersey Historic Preservation Organizations

25 grant recipients announced

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NEWPORT, RI – The 1772 Foundation, partnering for the eighth year with the [New Jersey Historic Trust](#), awarded historic preservation grants totaling \$293,786 to 25 private nonprofit organizations in New Jersey. The grants ranged in amount from \$3,175 to the grant maximum of \$15,000. 12 of the 25 organizations received the maximum grant amount. Each grant recipient was required to have matching funds for its project. Grants also were awarded in Connecticut and Rhode Island.

Grants were provided for exterior work: painting, surface restoration, fire/security systems, repairs to/restoration of porches, roofs and windows, repairs to foundations and sills, and chimney and masonry repointing.

President of The 1772 Foundation, B. Danforth Ely, commented on the importance of these grants to the preservation community. "They fund maintenance and restoration work that might otherwise be deferred. Funding for such work is often harder to come by than funding for programming. The requirement of a match means our dollars go further and also demonstrates to us community support and the recipients' commitment to preserving their buildings."

New Jersey Historic Trust Executive Director, Dorothy Guzzo, added, "The Historic Trust is pleased to present these recommendations for funding assistance to The 1772 Foundation. We continue to see applications from historic sites that need our help and are new to the philanthropic community. These matching grants go a long way to preserving important places in New Jersey's past."

Grant recipients were Cranbury Historical and Preservation Society, Inc. (Cranbury Township), Delaware River Mill Society (*Stockton Borough*), The Friends of Millstone Township Historic Registered Property (*Millstone Township*), Friends of the Loew's (*Jersey City*), Gloucester County Historical Society (Woolwich Township), The Heritage and Agriculture Association, Inc. (*Wantage Township*), Historic Cold Spring Village (*Cape May*), Historic Restoration Trust of the Township of Nutley (*Nutley Township*), Historical Educational Lodge-Hall Preservatory (*Swedesboro*), Hunterdon Art Museum (*Clinton Town*), Long Beach Island Historical Association (*Beach Haven Borough*), Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts & Humanities (*Lower Township*), Naval Air Station Wildwood Aviation Museum (*Lower Township*), New Jersey Community Development Corporation (*Paterson City*), Princeton AlumniCorps (*Princeton*), Reeves-Reed Arboretum (*Summit City*), Save Ellis Island (*Ellis Island*), Sourland Conservancy (*Montgomery Township*), Sparta Historical Society (*Sparta Township*), Squan Beach Life Saving Station Preservation Committee (Manasquan Borough), Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association (*Pennington Borough*), Township of Ocean Historical Museum (*Ocean Township*), The Union Township

Historical Society (*Union Township*), Westampton Township Historical Society (Westampton Township), and The GFWC Woman's Club of Rutherford (*Rutherford Borough*).

The 1772 Foundation was named in honor of its first restoration project, Liberty Hall in Union, NJ, which was built in 1772 and is the ancestral home of the Livingston and Kean families. The late Stewart B. Kean was the original benefactor of The 1772 Foundation. The 1772 Foundation works to ensure the safe passage of our historic buildings and farmland to future generations. More information about The 1772 Foundation may be found at www.1772foundation.org.

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