



NEW JERSEY  
HISTORIC  
TRUST

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# ANNUAL REPORT

2021





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# MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONER

Dear Friends of the Trust,

Throughout time, there have been countless sayings and debates expressing why historic preservation is so important. The fundamental truth is that what we choose to save – our structures, documents, and artifacts – are the very things that define who we are in the future. What we choose to preserve is important and, because of this, I have been an active supporter of conservation and historical preservation causes throughout my life. Governor Murphy and I are equally committed to preserving our past as we understand the basic truth that what we are saving are the stories we are telling future generations about us.

We have so many extraordinary landmarks and pieces of history in New Jersey that are endangered, which is why the work of the New Jersey Historic Trust continues to be so critical. It is incumbent on us as a government entity to prioritize the mission of saving and telling our history.

While the pandemic left some of our most treasured historical assets at risk of neglect, the Trust did not stop preserving them. Over \$15 million in historic preservation planning, capital, and heritage tourism projects were awarded in recent months. Many community programming and educational resources went virtual, and some were able to come back in person. We adapted to a new hybrid way of doing things. We will carry those lessons learned with us as we continue our work.

I'm also very proud of the Journey Through Jersey website that has been the quiet engine working behind the scenes to shine a spotlight on New Jersey's hidden historical treasures. It's exciting to visit the site and be able to see on an interactive map over 100 historic places to visit in the state. The site is a tremendous asset to our heritage tourism goals and I hope you get a chance to explore it in depth and share it with your network.

I am pleased to be able to present to you the Trust's 2021 Annual Report which features their incredible year of progress.

I leave it to the Trust to continue this tremendous work in 2022, and I want to thank them and all of the members and supporters who are our partners in preservation. We are being entrusted as the guardians and tellers of our own history and I know we won't let future generations down!

Yours in preservation,

Lieutenant Governor Sheila Y. Oliver  
Commissioner  
Department of Community Affairs





# MESSAGE FROM THE TRUST

Greetings!

It's hard to imagine that another year has passed, and we are still experiencing the effects of the pandemic. However, we did not let the pandemic get in the way of awarding more than \$15 million in historic preservation planning, capital, and heritage tourism projects in 2021.

We were delighted to see so many outstanding projects worthy of support from the Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund. The Trust is looking forward to seeing these initiatives come to fruition. In between Covid emergencies, a number of organizations were able to bring their projects to completion and several held ceremonies to mark the occasion.

This past year we highlighted the Trust's ability to fund municipal and county planning initiatives. For government entities wanting to focus efforts on protecting resources closer to home, our planning grants can fund such initiatives as masterplan elements or historic resource surveys. For 2022, we increased the maximum planning grant from \$50,000 to \$75,000 considering that prices have risen over the years, and we expect this increase will enable more comprehensive thinking in planning projects. In addition, our traditional historic preservation, heritage tourism, and capital projects will continue to be offered in this upcoming grant round.

The Trust continues to foster heritage tourism through its grant program and the continued development of the Journey Through Jersey website. Many new visitor-ready sites were added this year and we plan to offer themed itineraries to aid the heritage traveler in exploring New Jersey's historic sites.

For the first time and out of necessity, the annual history and historic preservation conference was held virtually over three days in June. While this method proved to be a lifesaver for the event, we hope to meet in person next year on June 3, 2022 at the Trenton War Memorial. Plans are already underway and we look forward to actually seeing friends and colleagues in person after so much time.

Through the corporate business tax dedication, funding for the Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund has been robust. The Historic Trust is grateful to be in a position of supporting so many of New Jersey's irreplaceable treasures so that future generations will benefit from our past.

Sincerely,

*Dorothy P. Guzzo*  
Dorothy P. Guzzo  
Executive Director  
New Jersey Historic Trust



*Kenneth Miller*  
Kenneth Miller  
Chair  
New Jersey Historic Trust





# YEAR IN REVIEW

Throughout the year, the Historic Trust staff helps to plan and support educational workshops and conferences that reach the history and historic preservation audiences. The Trust participated in several events including the League of Municipalities, the New Jersey Conference on Tourism, New Jersey Highlands Coalition, and Q&A with Preservation New Jersey. In addition, the Historic Trust's board members regularly attend events that celebrates a project's milestone, such as a ribbon cutting or groundbreaking.



*Protestant Community Church*

This year, board members attended ribbon cutting and groundbreaking ceremonies at the Battleship New Jersey, Jackson Street Bridge, Landing Railroad Station, Madison Public Library and James Building, Protestant Community Church, Red Mill, Stone Arch Bridge, and the William Trent House.

## 2021 CONFERENCE

After two years, the 2021 History and Historic Preservation Conference was held virtually for the first time.

The conference was held on three consecutive Thursdays in June. The dynamic program featured three keynote speakers including Paul Edmondson, President and CEO of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and nine sessions focusing on three crucial themes: Advocacy and Preservation, Underrepresented Histories, and Climate Change and Sustainability. Once again, "Building a Place for History" received generous financial support from over 50 sponsors, many of whom were showcased on the conference website and recognized during sessions.

## Awards of Recognition

Glenn Ceponis, received not one but two Awards of Recognition this year! On Employee Recognition Day, Glenn was recognized for his continuous support, adaptability, positive attitude, and wealth of knowledge by the Department of Community Affairs. In November, he received an Award of Recognition from the New Jersey Historical Commission and the New Jersey Studies Academic Alliance for his role in developing the Trust's easement program and advocating for New Jersey's historic resources.



*Glenn Ceponis*

Ashley Parker was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation and the Brigadier General's coin from the New Jersey National Guard for her collaborative effort expanding the NJ in Conflict theme and incorporating over thirty military sites on the Journey Through Jersey website.



*League of Municipalities Conference*



*Red Mill Tenant House*



*Ashley Parker*

### Historic Preservation Continuing Education

The Historic Preservation Continuing Education Program at Rutgers University-Camden was launched in 2016 through a partnership between the New Jersey Historic Trust and the Mid-Atlantic Regional Center for the Humanities (MARCH). Designed for those who desire to gain a deeper understanding of the vocabulary and discipline of historic preservation, students learn from professionals working in the field to gain a more realistic perspective on how the tangible remains of our past can be integrated within current environments. In 2017, the program began offering a Certificate in Historic Preservation, and in 2021 the program presented two full semesters of courses. Select courses provide American Institute of Architects (AIA) continuing education credits through a partnership with Preservation New Jersey. For more information, visit: [www.preservation.rutgers.edu](http://www.preservation.rutgers.edu).

### CHANGING FACES AT THE TRUST

In 2021, we said farewell to Erin Frederickson. Erin joined the Historic Trust in 2019 as a program officer. During her service, she managed numerous preservation planning and capital projects, notably the Battleship New Jersey in Camden and Lucy the Elephant in Margate. We are grateful for her expertise in architectural survey, compliance, and Sandy related issues. Erin left the Trust at the end of the year to pursue her passion and accepted a position with the New Jersey Historic Preservation Office as a Historic Preservation Specialist.

2021 also gave us new staff members and a new board member!

Lisa Easton, AIA, is the Trust's newest board member. Ms. Easton has worked on the restoration of some of the New York Metropolitan Region's most noteworthy landmarks. She has developed a reputation in the historic preservation field as an expert architect, planner, and historian. Her work consists of commercial, institutional, and residential projects set within urban and sub-urban settings. She teaches, lectures, and serves on a variety of non-profit boards, promoting the integration of architecture and preservation.

Ashley Parker officially joined the staff in April after serving as the Program Assistant since January 2019. She is a graduate of Monmouth University with a Masters in Anthropology. She joined the staff as a program officer, administering and promoting heritage tourism grants and special initiatives. Over the years, Ashley has been greatly magnifying our social media presence and expanding our outreach capabilities.

Judith Murphy, AICP, PP, is a licensed Professional Planner and a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. She re-joins the staff as a Program Officer after serving the Township of Moorestown as their Principal Planner. Her experiences in local government, grant management, and professional planning will be influential in the administration of our new Municipal Planning Projects.



**Land**

**Life, Family & Change in Early 1800s New Jersey**

Once, most New Jersey families were farm families. Explore the tools and strategies that helped them meet the challenges of working the land – and the innovations that promised to change their lives.







In the early 1800s, most people grew their own food.

They grew enough to survive—with a little left over.

But...

*Madison Public Library and James Building*

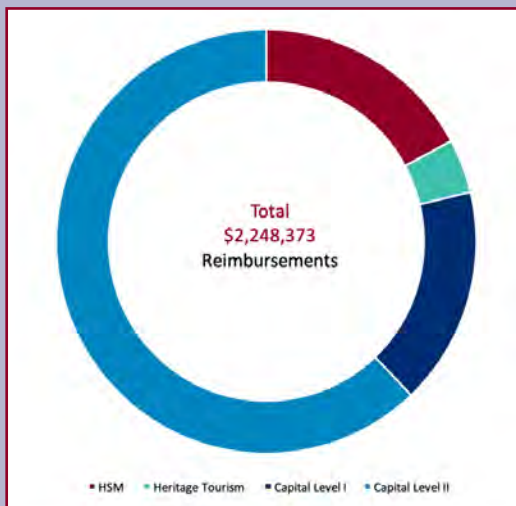


# GRANT PROGRAMS COMPLETED PROJECTS

## PRESERVE NEW JERSEY HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND

The Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund was established by legislation in 2016 to provide an annual source of matching grants from the state’s corporate business tax for historic preservation projects. The Preserve New Jersey Fund continues the work of the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund (2000-2012) and the Historic Preservation Bond Program (1990-1997). Since 1990, more than

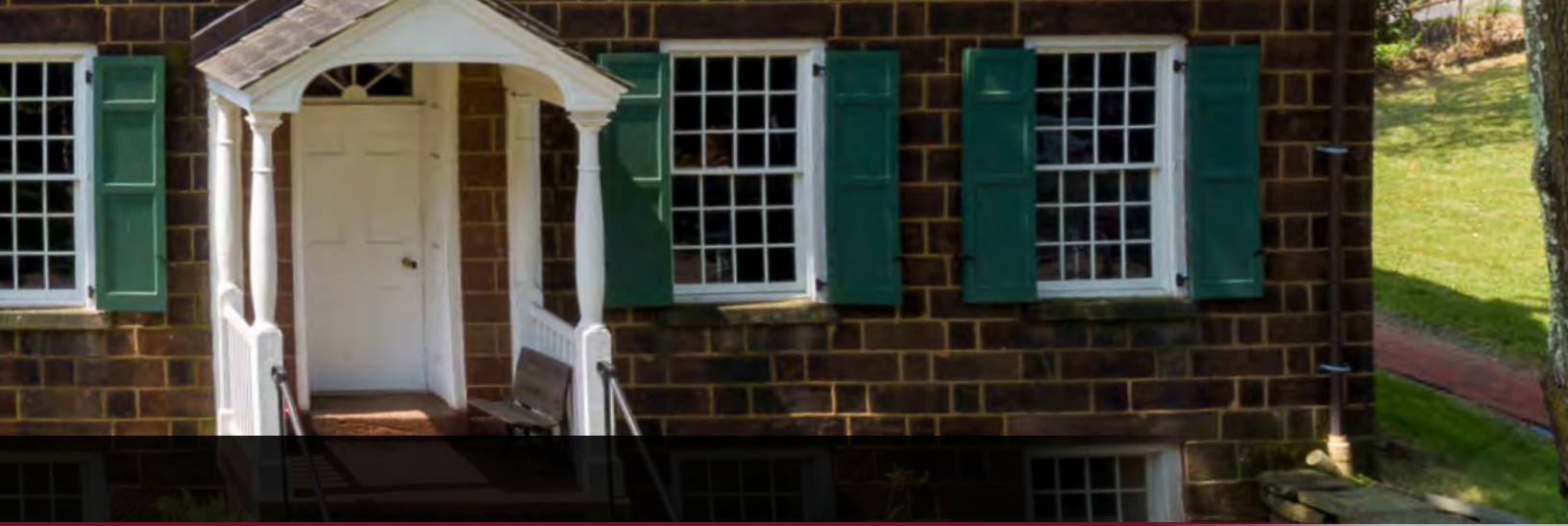
\$180 million in matching grants has been awarded to worthy historic preservation construction and planning projects throughout the state.



Three categories of grants are awarded through the program. Historic Site Management and Heritage Tourism Grants, up to \$50,000, help support planning exercises that promote effective management and interpretation at historic sites. Capital Preservation Grants, up to \$750,000, help support construction expenses related to the preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of

historic properties and associated architectural and engineering expenses. In 2021, \$2,248,373 was reimbursed for construction and planning activities. The following 7 capital, 10 planning, and 4 heritage tourism projects were successfully completed and closed out in 2021:

Historic Site Management			
Project Name	Applicant	County	Grant Award
James C. Rose Residence	The James Rose Center	Bergen	\$37,224
St. Mary’s Hall (Doane Academy)	Doane Academy	Burlington	\$41,524
Upton Log Cabin	Gloucester Township Historic and Scenic Preservation Fund	Camden	\$6,750
Greenfield Hall	Historical Society of Haddonfield	Camden	\$24,352
Hoboken Free Public Library	Hoboken Public Library Board of Trustees	Hudson	\$50,000



Historic Site Management			
Project Name	Applicant	County	Grant Award
Princeton Theological Seminary Stuart Hall	Princeton Theological Seminary	Mercer	\$50,000
Madison Public Library and the James Building	Museum of Early Trades and Crafts	Morris	\$50,000
First Presbyterian Church of Paterson	New Jersey Community Development Corporation (NJCDC)	Passaic	\$50,000
John and Anna Vreeland/Hamilton House	City of Clifton	Passaic	\$25,312
Hoffman Grist Mill	Musconetcong Watershed Association	Warren	\$50,000

Historic Site Management for Heritage Tourism			
Project Name	Applicant	County	Grant Award
George Morgan Stone House	Washington Township Historic Preservation Commission	Gloucester	\$5,001
Old Barracks	Old Barracks Association	Mercer	\$16,239
Old Barracks	Trenton Downtown Association	Mercer	\$30,000
Dey Mansion	Friends of Passaic County Parks (FOPCP)	Passaic	\$41,397



*Madison Public Library*



*James Rose Center*



*Greenfield Hall*

Level I Capital Preservation Grants			
Project Name	Applicant	County	Grant Award
Lucy the Margate Elephant	Save Lucy Committee, Inc.	Atlantic	\$20,400
Rutherford World War I Monument	Rutherford Borough	Bergen	\$61,800
Historic Cold Spring Village (Spicer Leaming House)	Historic Cold Spring Village Foundation	Cape May	\$51,200
All Saints' Memorial Church Complex	All Saints' Memorial Landmark Trust, Inc.	Monmouth	\$150,000

Level II Capital Preservation Grants			
Project Name	Applicant	County	Grant Award
Douglass House and Jackson Street Bridge	Trenton Division of Natural Resources	Mercer	\$534,901
USS New Jersey (BB-62)	Home Port Alliance for the USS New Jersey, Inc.	Camden	\$500,000
JC Penney Building	Stand Up for Salem	Salem	\$361,323



*Old Barracks*





USS New Jersey (BB-62)



# GRANT PROGRAMS NEW AWARDS

## PRESERVE NEW JERSEY HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND AWARDED PROJECTS Historic Site Management (HSM), Heritage Tourism, and Capital Level I & II Grants

In 2021, the New Jersey Historic Trust awarded over \$14 million in matching grant funds to 69 preservation planning and capital projects in 17 counties. Funded projects included National Register nominations, preservation plans, conditions assessments, design and construction documents, restoration, rehabilitation, and other projects that assist organizations in managing and stewarding their heritage buildings and sites. In addition to the 2021 Preserve New Jersey grant applications, the next phase of funding for two 2019 multi-phase capital projects was allocated. Together, these two multi-phase capital projects total \$1.5 million, which brings the total amount for funds recommended for the 2021 ground to \$15.5 million. The following grant awards were made in 2021:



Historic Site Management Grants (up to \$50,000)				
Applicant	Project Name	Municipality	County	Recommended Award
The Radburn Association	Radburn Historic District	Fair Lawn Borough	Bergen	\$50,000
Roebing Main Gate Museum [DBA: Roebing Museum]	Roebing Historic District	Florence Township	Burlington	\$15,155
Borough of Gibbsboro	John Lucas House	Borough of Gibbsboro	Camden	\$50,000
Camden County Parks Department	Ebenezer Hopkins House	Haddon Township	Camden	\$50,000
Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts & Humanities	Emlen Physick Estate	City of Cape May	Cape May	\$47,370
Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts & Humanities	Emlen Physick Estate	City of Cape May	Cape May	\$50,000
Downe Township	Union Hall	Downe Township	Cumberland	\$29,000
Newark Landmarks	Weequahic High School	City of Newark	Essex	\$13,580

Historic Site Management Grants (up to \$50,000)				
Applicant	Project Name	Municipality	County	Recommended Award
Borough of High Bridge	Solitude House	High Bridge Borough	Hunterdon	\$7,500
Isles, Inc.	Elks - BPOE Building (Carver Center YMCA)	City of Trenton	Mercer	\$50,000
Twin Lights Historical Society	Navesink Lighthouse (Twin Lights) (Navesink Light Station)	Highlands Borough	Monmouth	\$27,072
Township of Middletown	Dempsey Pump House	Middletown Township	Monmouth	\$15,000
Washington Township Land Trust of Morris County, Inc.	Obadiah LaTourette Grist and Saw Mill (German Valley Historic District)	Washington Township	Morris	\$36,000
Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc.	Morris Canal	City of Clifton	Passaic	\$50,000
The Plainfield Garden Club	Cedar Brook Park	City of Plainfield	Union	\$9,000
Historical Society of Plainfield	Nathaniel Drake House	City of Plainfield	Union	\$14,025
Westfield Historical Society	William Edgar Reeve House	Town of Westfield	Union	\$45,600



*Union Hall*



*Ebenezer Hopkins House*



*Weequahic High School*



Historic Site Management Grants: Municipal, County, and Regional Planning Projects (up to \$50,000)				
Applicant	Project Name	Municipality	County	Recommended Award
Town of Newton	Newton Town Plot Historic District	Town of Newton	Sussex	\$30,000
City of Jersey City	Fickens Warehouse	City of Jersey City	Hudson	\$50,000

Historic Site Management Grants for Heritage Tourism (up to \$50,000)				
Applicant	Project Name	Municipality	County	Recommended Award
Crossroads of the American Revolution Association, Inc.	Palisades Interstate Park	Fort Lee Borough	Bergen	\$50,000
South Mountain TheaterWorks, Inc. (d/b/a South Mountain TV)	Krueger Mansion	City of Newark	Essex	\$50,000
Trent House Association	William Trent House	City of Trenton	Mercer	\$37,403
Millstone Township Historic Preservation Commission	Clarksburg Methodist Episcopal Church	Millstone Township	Monmouth	\$50,000
Musconetcong Watershed Association	Hoffman Grist Mill	Franklin Township	Warren	\$50,000



*Hoffman Grist Mill*



*William Trent House*

**Level I Capital Preservation Grants (\$50,000 – \$150,000)**

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Municipality</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>Recommended Award</b>
Friends of West Hill, Inc.	West Hill	Burlington Township	Burlington	\$7,619
Evesham Historical Society	John Inskeep Homestead	Evesham Township	Burlington	\$23,347
Doane Academy	St. Mary's Hall (Doane Academy)	City of Burlington	Burlington	\$114,628
Bordentown Historical Society	Bordentown Historic District (Clara Barton School)	City of Bordentown	Burlington	\$109,034
City of Burlington	Burlington Historic District (The Carriage House)	City of Burlington	Burlington	\$142,164
Newton Monthly Meeting (NMN)	Newton Friends Meetinghouse	City of Camden	Camden	\$104,388
Lawnside Historical Society, Inc.	Peter Mott House	Lawnside Borough	Camden	\$60,607
Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts & Humanities	Emlen Physick Estate	City of Cape May	Cape May	\$38,763
Historic Restoration Trust of the Town of Nutley, New Jersey	Kingsland Manor	Nutley Township	Essex	\$23,910
Red Mill Museum Village	M.C. Mulligan & Sons Quarry [Red Mill, Hunt's Mill]	Town of Clinton	Hunterdon	\$46,656
Historic Morven, Inc.	Morven	Municipality of Princeton	Mercer	\$31,434
Historical Society of Hamilton Township, Inc.	Isaac Pearson House	Hamilton Township	Mercer	\$126,531
The Growing Stage - Children's Theatre of New Jersey	Palace Theater	Netcong Borough	Morris	\$87,728
Dover Area Historical Society	Condict House/ Presbyterian Church House	Town of Dover	Morris	\$38,618
Skylands Association	Skylands (Pump House)	Ringwood Borough	Passaic	\$43,200
Friends of Long Pond Ironworks	Long Pond Iron Works (Hewitt Church)	West Milford Township	Passaic	\$56,730
Liberty Hall Museum, Inc.	Liberty Hall	Union Township	Union	\$110,004
Township of Berkeley Heights	Littel-Lord Farmstead	Berkeley Heights Township	Union	\$60,000
Allamuchy Township School District	Rutherford Hall (Rutherford Mansion)	Allamuchy Township	Warren	\$122,000
Township of Harmony	Van Nest-Hoff-Vannatta Farm	Harmony Township	Warren	\$25,000





Burlington Historic District (*The Carriage House*)



*Liberty Hall*

Level II Capital Preservation Grants (\$150,001 - \$750,000)				
Applicant	Project Name	Municipality	County	Recommended Award
City of Atlantic City	Fire Station #8 (Fire Department 4 and Drill School)	City of Atlantic City	Atlantic	\$750,000
Village of Ridgewood	John A. L. Zabriskie House	Ridgewood Village	Bergen	\$499,166
Riverton Steamboat Landing Foundation	Riverton Steamboat Landing (Riverton Yacht Club)	Riverton Borough	Burlington	\$322,500
Alice Paul Institute	Alice Paul Birthplace (Paulsdale)	Mount Laurel Township	Burlington	\$304,500
Home Port Alliance for the USS New Jersey, Inc.	USS New Jersey (BB-62)	City of Camden	Camden	\$750,000
Haddonfield Friends School	Haddonfield Friends School	Haddonfield Borough	Camden	\$725,000
NASW Foundation	Hangar No. 1	Lower Township	Cape May	\$362,880
County of Cumberland	Bridgeton Historic District (Cumberland County Courthouse)	City of Bridgeton	Cumberland	\$545,557
Township of Bloomfield	Collins House	Bloomfield Township	Essex	\$450,000
Township of Livingston	Theophilus Ward/Thomas Force House and Condit Family Cook House	Livingston Township	Essex	\$403,052
City of Jersey City	Reservoir #3	City of Jersey City	Hudson	\$750,000
Kingwood Township	William Lindsay White House	Kingwood Township	Hunterdon	\$247,121
City of Trenton	Trenton City Hall	City of Trenton	Mercer	\$749,909
The Watershed Institute	Andrew and Hannah Drake Farmstead/ Brookdale Farm	Pennington Borough	Mercer	\$320,570

Level II Capital Preservation Grants (\$150,001 - \$750,000)				
Applicant	Project Name	Municipality	County	Recommended Award
Municipality of Princeton	Princeton Ice Company (Mountain Lakes Preserve)	Municipality of Princeton	Mercer	\$395,218
SLTCC Landmark Friends, Inc.	Seabright Lawn Tennis & Cricket Club	Rumson Borough	Monmouth	\$304,070
Borough of Mendham	Phoenix House	Mendham Borough	Morris	\$348,565
Museum of Early Trades & Crafts	Madison Public Library and the James Building	Madison Borough	Morris	\$303,933
Borough of Madison	Madison Masonic Lodge	Madison Borough	Morris	\$488,100
Stickley Museum at Craftsman Farms	Craftsman Farms	Parsippany-Troy Hills Township	Morris	\$750,000
Morris Museum	Normandy Park Historic District (Twin Oaks)	Town of Morristown	Morris	\$472,893
Friends Meeting House and Cemetery Association of Randolph Township, New Jersey	Friends Meetinghouse	Randolph Township	Morris	\$221,500
Morris County Historical Society	Acorn Hall	Town of Morristown	Morris	\$248,350
County of Ocean	Mary Etta Cox House	Barneget Township	Ocean	\$518,645



Hangar No. 1

Multi-Phase Capital Level II Preservation Grants (\$500,000 - \$750,000)				
Applicant	Project Name	Municipality	County	Recommended Award
Hunterdon County Board of Chosen Freeholders	Flemington Historic District: Hunterdon County Courthouse	Flemington Borough	Hunterdon	\$750,000
County of Passaic	Lambert Castle	Paterson City	Passaic	\$750,000





MARTHA  
 wife of  
 B. Barclay  
 born  
 Oct. 16th 1797  
 died  
 Aug. 5th 1866.

## DISCOVER NEW JERSEY HISTORY LICENSE PLATE FUND FOR HERITAGE TOURISM

The Discover NJ History License Plate Fund provides grants (up to \$5,000) to develop and promote visitor-ready sites as heritage tourism destinations. The Fund was established at the recommendation of the 2010 Heritage Tourism Master Plan for New Jersey. Since 2012, 44 projects have been awarded a total of \$187,438. The following grant awards were made in 2021:

Discover NJ History License Plate Fund			
Project Name	Applicant	County	Grant Award
Interactive Digital Downtown District Walking Tour	Westwood Historic Preservation Commission	Bergen	\$5,000
Camden County American Revolution Heritage Tourism Trail Map	Camden County Historical Society	Camden	\$5,000
Interpretive Wayfinding Signage Prallsville Mills	Delaware River Mill Society	Hunterdon	\$2,250
State Route 10 Permanent Signage	The Stickley Museum at Craftsman Farms	Morris	\$5,000
Reimagining Visitor Experiences	Liberty Hall Museum	Union	\$5,000

## DISCOVER NJ HISTORY LICENSE PLATE

Help us fund more projects by purchasing a Discover NJ History license plate today! It's easy to order your "Discover NJ History" license plate online from Motor Vehicle Services. The cost is a one-time fee



of \$50 (or \$100 for personalized plates) and an annual \$10 renewal fee. Your purchase helps sustain the Discover NJ History License Plate Fund for Heritage Tourism. The greater number of license plate sales and renewals, the more funding there is available for heritage tourism projects! Go online and visit, [preservenjhistory.com](http://preservenjhistory.com) for more information and to purchase.





# JOURNEY THROUGH JE



In February of 2017, the New Jersey Historic Trust launched [journeythroughjersey.com](http://journeythroughjersey.com), the first website dedicated solely to promoting heritage tourism in the state and to supporting and improving quality visitor experiences at the state's many and diverse historic sites. The development of the award-winning website arose from the needs identified in Linking our Legacy to a New Vision; A Heritage Tourism Plan for New Jersey, published by the Trust in 2010. This master plan documented the untapped potential for a robust heritage tourism sector and outlined the steps necessary to achieve that goal.

In 2021, Trust staff worked closely with the Department of Military and Veteran Affairs (DMAVA) to integrate military sites and expand the NJ in Conflict theme. As a result, over 30 military sites were added to the Journey Through Jersey website! In addition, Journey Through Jersey continued to accept site nominations throughout the year. In 2021, 12 historic sites were nominated and added to the Journey Through Jersey website representing all the themes identified in the 2010 master plan.



*Paulsdale (Alice Paul Institute)*



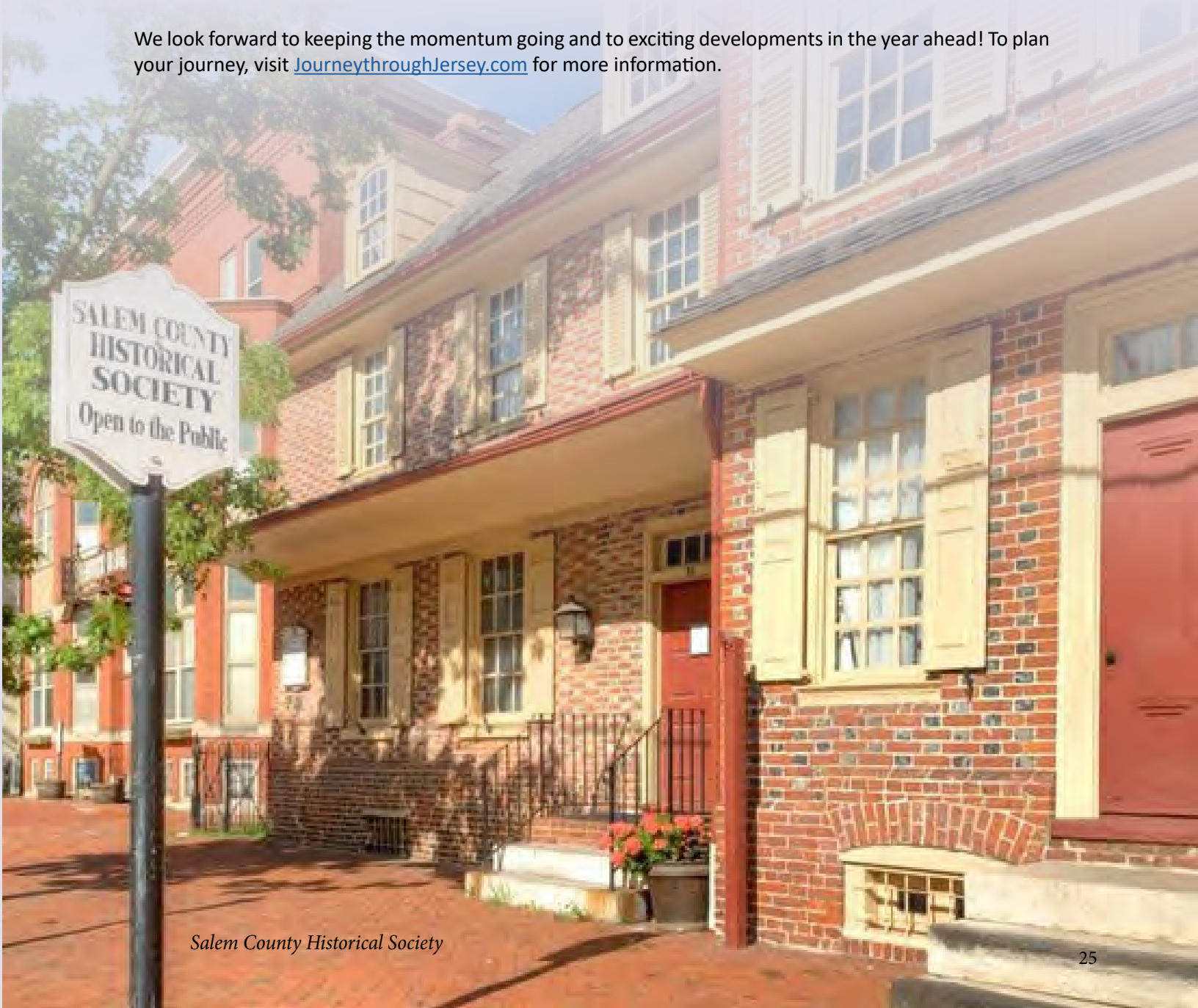
*Historic Cannon Ball House*



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This year, Journey Through Jersey also launched its first travel itinerary navigating popular sites of the American Revolution. The travel itinerary included visitor information, site linkages, restaurants, and a map. This is the first of many that will help travelers navigate prevalent sites of New Jersey history!

We look forward to keeping the momentum going and to exciting developments in the year ahead! To plan your journey, visit [JourneythroughJersey.com](http://JourneythroughJersey.com) for more information.



# EASEMENT HIGHLIGHT

In 2021 the New Jersey Historic Trust acquired seven historic preservation easements protecting eleven buildings at Fort Monmouth, a former military installation located in Oceanport, Monmouth County. Each of the buildings contribute to the New Jersey and National Register-listed Fort Monmouth Historic District. Each of the buildings was constructed in the Colonial Revival style following plans by the Army Quartermaster Corps.

Fort Monmouth was established in 1917 as Camp Little Silver, later named Camp Alfred Vail and in 1925 it received permanent status and renamed Fort Monmouth in recognition of those who fought at nearby Monmouth Courthouse during the Revolution. Fort Monmouth played a significant role in the

Army Signal Corps and specifically wireless communication and training. The period of significance for the historic district extends from 1927 to 1940, when the Signal Corps Laboratories began relocating to other locations.



*Allison Hall*

Fort Monmouth closed in 2011. The Fort Monmouth Economic Revitalization Authority (FMERA) was charged with redeveloping the base. The NJ State Historic Preservation Office (NJ HPO) conditioned the sale of properties located within the Fort Monmouth Historic District to include placing historic preservation easements on sold parcels. The NJ Historic Trust worked with NJ HPO, FMERA and the individual developers in developing preservation easements on the following buildings:

Allison Hall built in 1928 as a hospital building and later converted to offices. Plans call for the building to be rehabilitated into office space.

Scriven Hall built in 1929 as Bachelor Officer's Quarters will be rehabilitated as residential units.

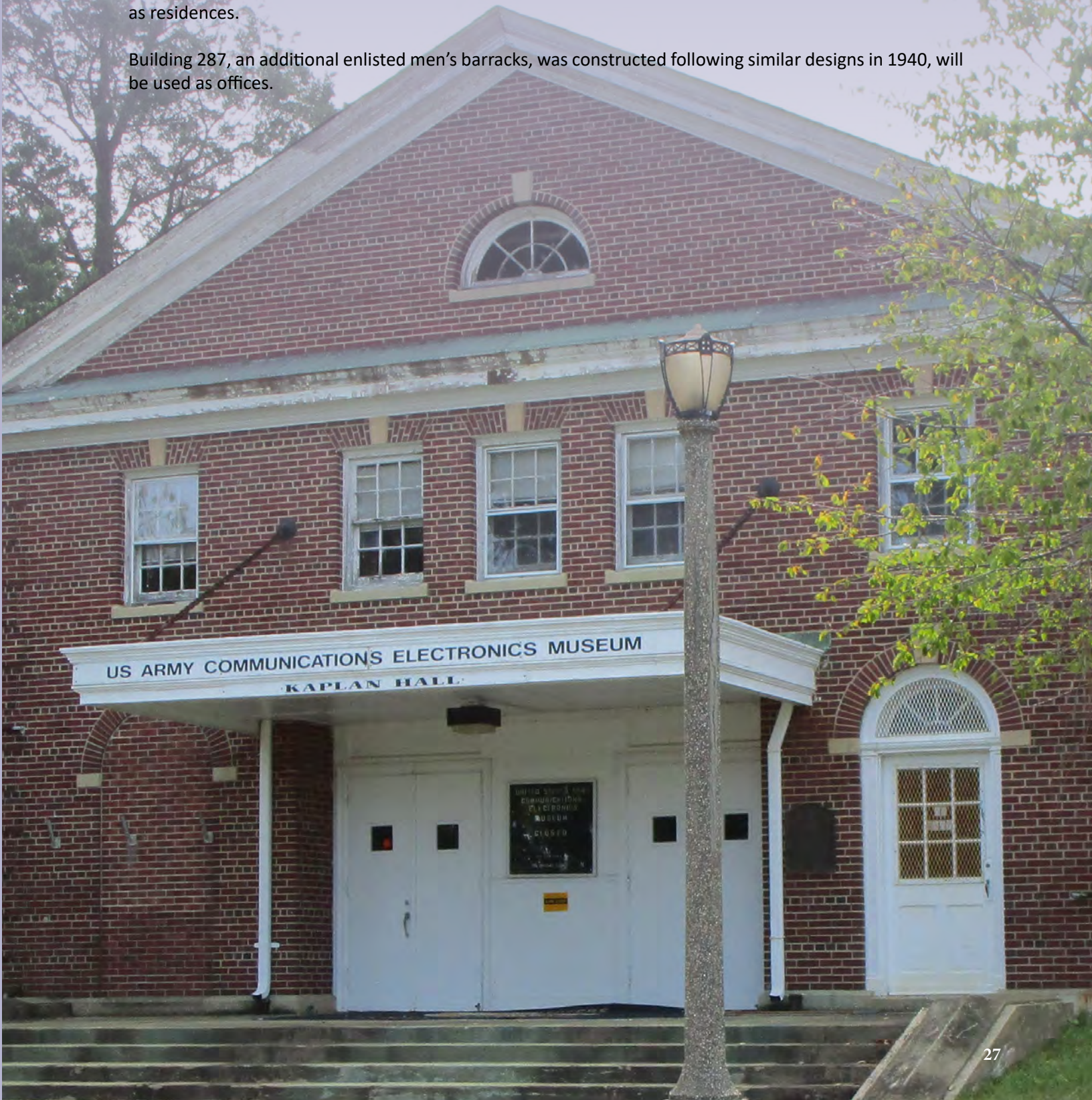
Gardner Hall (1931) and an associated garages will be rehabilitated as residential units.

The former Guard House (1935) later converted to a firehouse will be converted to a restaurant.

Kaplan Hall was built in 1933 as the camp theater and was later converted to a communication museum. Current plans are to convert back to a theater.

Buildings 205 through 208 were constructed in 1927 as enlisted men's barracks. These will be rehabilitated as residences.

Building 287, an additional enlisted men's barracks, was constructed following similar designs in 1940, will be used as offices.





# ABOUT THE TRUST

The Mission of the New Jersey Historic 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 its programs:

The **Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund** was established by legislation in 2016 to provide an annual source of matching grants from the state's corporate business tax for historic preservation projects. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and government entities. The Preserve New Jersey fund continues the work of the **Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund** (2000-2012) and the **Historic Preservation Bond Program** (1990-1997). Since 1990, over \$180 million in matching grants has been awarded to worthy construction and planning historic preservation projects throughout the state.

The **Discover New Jersey Historic License Plate Fund for Heritage Tourism** provides grants up to \$5,000 to develop and promote visitor-ready sites as heritage tourism destinations.

**New Jersey Cultural Trust Capital Preservation Grants** protect and improve historic properties that are used by nonprofit organizations that have history, humanities and arts programming. Grants may fund projects for stabilization, repair, restoration, adaptive use, and increased accessibility. Funding is offered on a schedule provided by the NJ Cultural Trust, which also qualifies eligible organizations.

The Historic Trust offers long-term, low-interest loans through the **Historic Preservation Revolving Loan Fund** for the acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation, or restoration of historic properties.

An **Emergency Grant and Loan Fund** has limited funds for critically needed work on endangered historic resources. Currently only loans are available.

The **Preservation Easement Program** ensures the preservation of privately-owned properties in perpetuity using 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 Historic Trust accepts donations of real estate through **New Jersey Legacies**. Property donors may realize significant income and estate tax benefits by their donations. Donated properties are resold by the Trust with protective easements to ensure their preservation.





# NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST BOARD & STAFF

## CITIZEN MEMBERS

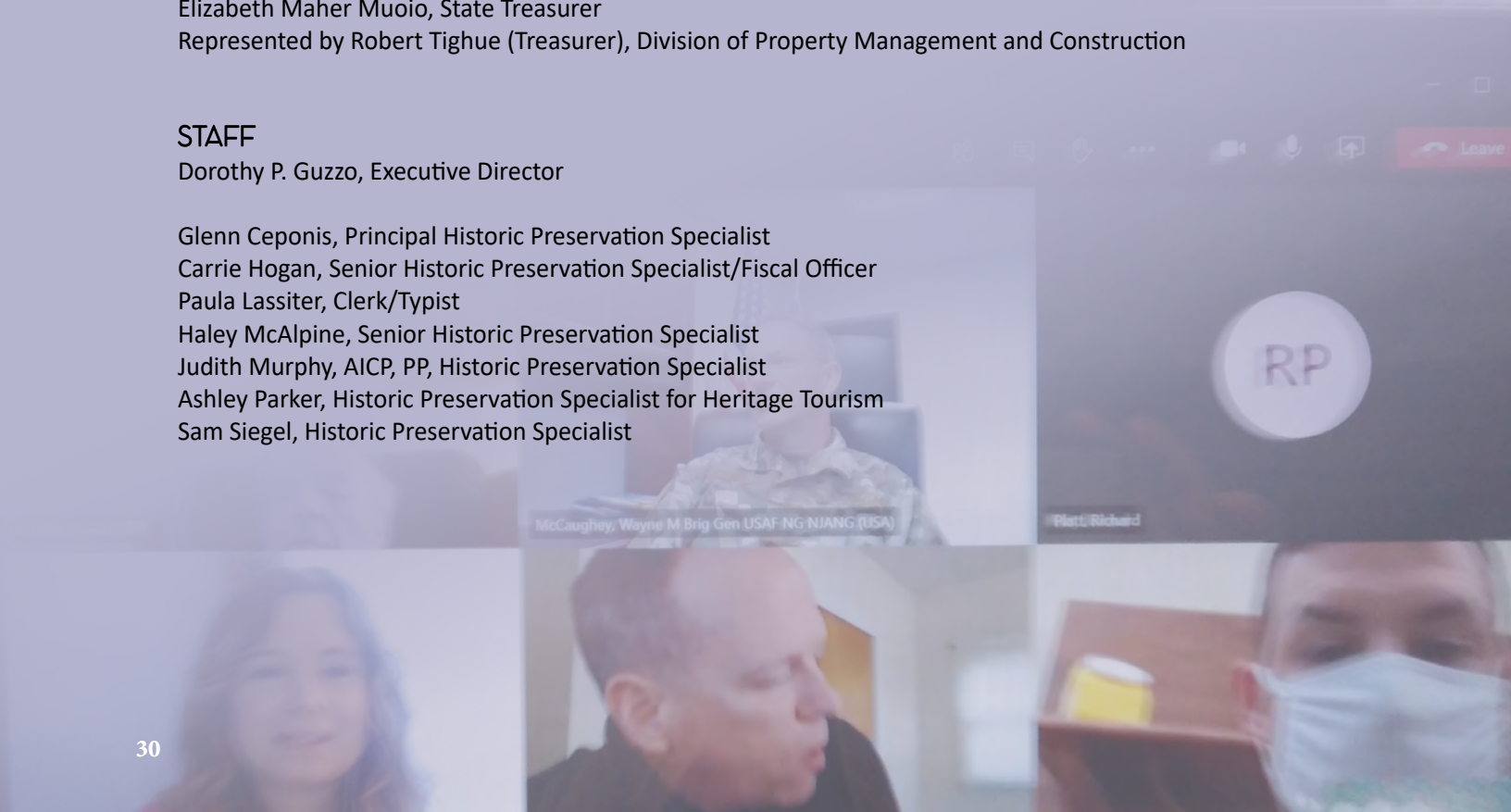
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## BOARD BIOS

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### **Lisa Easton, AIA, Hunterdon County**

Ms. Easton has worked on the restoration of some of the New York Metropolitan Region's most noteworthy landmarks. She has developed a reputation in the historic preservation field as an expert architect, planner, and historian. Her work consists of commercial, institutional, and residential projects set within urban and suburban settings. She teaches, lectures, and serves on a variety of non-profit boards, promoting the integration of architecture and preservation.

### **Janet W. Foster, Morris County**

An architectural historian and historic preservation consultant, Janet W. Foster is a proponent of New Jersey and its vernacular architecture. She lectures and writes on the topic. She serves on the Madison Borough Historic Preservation Commission, and on the NJ State Review Board.

### **Deborah Marquis Kelly, Mercer County**

Ms. Kelly is a former executive director of Preservation New Jersey and since 1996 has been an independent historic preservation consultant through her company, Preservation Partners. She is the co-author of the New Jersey Women's Heritage Trail, the current secretary of the Chesterfield Township Historical Society, and immediate-past Chair of the Chesterfield Township Historic Preservation Commission.

### **Peter Lindsay, PE, Sussex County**

Mr. Lindsay has more than thirty-eight years of professional experience in engineering and holds a master's degree in Mechanical Engineering from New Jersey Institute of Technology. Mr. Lindsay participated in the structural stabilization project of the Hamburg Presbyterian Church's 1868 sanctuary. He is a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and several classic car clubs in addition to professional organizations.

### **Kenneth A. Miller, Morris County**

Mr. Miller is retired from the financial services industry, and serves in several 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.

### **Katherine Ng, LEED AP, Burlington County**

Ms. Ng is the Vice President of Wu & Associates, a general construction firm who has received widespread recognition for their restoration and preservation work from notable sources including the National Trust for Historic Preservation, state agencies, and local preservation organizations. Holding a Master's in Psychology from the University of California, Los Angeles, Ms. Ng's focus centers on the integration of culture into the fabric of sustainable community growth.

### **Meme Omogbai, MBA, CPA, CGMA, Somerset County**

Named one of 25 Influential Black Women in Business by The Network Journal in 2010, Ms. Omogbai has been a leader in the nonprofit, corporate, museum and government sectors. As the first American of African descent named Board Chair of the American Alliance of Museums (AAM), Ms. Omogbai co-authored its ground-breaking strategic plan, The Spark, and led the initiative to rebrand the AAM as a global alliance. As Co-Director, Interim CEO, COO, CFO and Trustee, she led a major transformation in operating performance at the 105-year-old Newark Museum.

### **Chris Perks, PE, Camden County**

Mr. Perks is a professional engineer and construction manager who has worked on many historic projects including comprehensive renovations of the Philadelphia Academy of Music, the Philadelphia Water Works, and fifty-three Philadelphia Free Library buildings, with fifteen historic Carnegie Libraries. He served on the Camden City Historic Preservation Commission and is the president of the Camden County Historical Society.

### **Patricia Anne Salvatore, Cape May County**

Ms. Salvatore founded, developed, and preserved/restored two history sites as nonprofit museums: Historic Cold Spring Village (where she currently serves as executive director) and Naval Air Station Wildwood Aviation Museum. She is a leader locally and regionally in promoting historic preservation, history education and heritage tourism.

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