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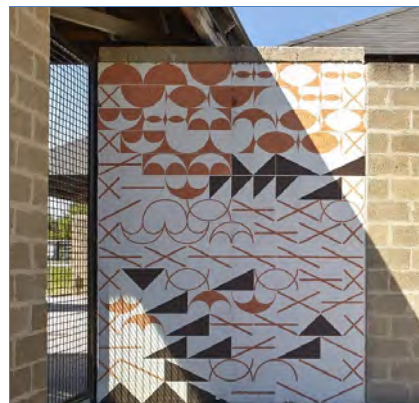
On the cover (clockwise from top left): Squan Beach Lifesaving Station, Manasquan (Monmouth County); Lakewood Post Office, Lakewood (Ocean); Port Colden United Methodist Church, Washington Township (Warren); Acorn Hall, Morristown (Morris).
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Tour of Bell Labs in Holmdel during the 2014 NJ History & Historic Preservation Conference. For more details on the conference see page 10.



Ventnor City Hall is one of the sites receiving funding from the Sandy Disaster Relief Grants for Historic Properties. p. 16



The Trenton Bath House and Day Camp in Ewing is one of this year's completed projects. p. 21

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Message from the
**DEPARTMENT OF
COMMUNITY AFFAIRS**

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to bring you the 2014 Annual Report from the New Jersey Historic Trust (Trust). As the state's leading voice for historic preservation, the Trust works with other history and preservation stakeholders to provide financial and technical assistance to our state's historic resources.

This year the Trust played a crucial role in recovery from Hurricane Sandy by working in cooperation with the Department of Environmental Protection's Historic Preservation Office to distribute federal funds for historic resources that were damaged by the storm. The Trust's ongoing partnership with the 1772 Foundation has resulted in financial awards to many organizations that are new grant recipients and stewards of heritage sites that are community landmarks.

Funding for the future remains the Trust's priority concern, as the capital needs survey that was published in 2014 identifies a need for more than \$751 million to repair, restore, and reuse the state's historic sites, and an additional \$142 million necessary for site improvements and visitor amenities. While Trust grants will not fill that entire need, 25 years of grant funding experience has demonstrated that matching grants leverage additional public and private funding to accomplish successful preservation projects.

Governor Christie and I are committed to supporting the preservation of New Jersey's historic resources and promoting economic and community vitality. Livable neighborhoods, unique "Main Street" shopping experiences, repurposed historic buildings, and attractive tourist destinations are the result of saving our history for the future.

Please join us in this effort.

Regards,



Richard E. Constable, III
DCA Commissioner

Message from the
**NEW JERSEY
HISTORIC TRUST**

Dear Friend to Preservation:

As New Jersey continues to recover from Superstorm Sandy, the Historic Trust got involved on the front lines this year, by working with the Department of Environmental Protection/Historic Preservation Office. The Trust helped administer federal funding to repair and restore historic resources that sustained hurricane damage. Learning from the experience of neighboring states that had designed disaster recovery grant programs, the Trust staff drew up guidelines and developed an application process that resulted in \$7.7 million in grants being awarded for storm damage repair for 37 historic resources. Read more about this program on page 16.

A record number of participants registered for the 2014 NJ History and Historic Preservation Conference, "Celebrating Past, Present and Future." The conference picked up the theme of New Jersey's 350th Birthday celebration and reviewed not just where we've been in developing our history and preservation programs, but what new tools, ideas and innovations we will need to spark the next development in our mutual professions. Read more about the conference starting on page 10.

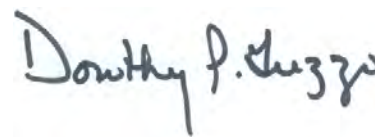
Finally, our year ended with some very positive news - Question #2 on November's ballot passed with strong public support. The Clean Water, Open Space, Farmland and Historic Preservation Amendment will ensure continued funding for the preservation and use of our state's most valuable historic resources.

On behalf of the entire Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Historic Trust, we thank you for your support.

Regards,



Meme Omogbai
Board Chair



Dorothy P. Guzzo
Executive Director

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Historic Trust Board of Trustees at the William Trent House in Trenton

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Meme Omogbai, M.B.A., C.P.A., (Chair) Essex 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, COO, CFO and Trustee, she led a major transformation in operating performance at the 105-year-old Newark Museum. Her program of financial accountability and innovation propelled the organization to the pinnacle of achievement with four consecutive years of 4-star ratings for superior management. Ms. Omogbai's background includes serving as the first minority (and youngest) Deputy Assistant Chancellor of New Jersey's Department of Higher Education. Her multifaceted earlier experience includes expertise in finance and management with the New Jersey Casino Control Commission, Arthur Young & Co. and Barbizon Corporation. She currently serves as a Director on the boards of the AAM, the Advisory Board of Montclair State University's College of Science & Mathematics, and St. Vincent Academy. She was elected Trust Chair in 2014, previously serving as Vice Chair.

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 Trust Chair in 2006-2007 and Vice Chair prior to that.

Janet W. Foster, (Vice Chair) Morris County

An architectural historian and historic preservation consultant, Janet W. Foster is a proponent of New Jersey and its vernacular architecture. She teaches and writes on the topic, and is an adjunct faculty member in the Columbia University Historic Preservation Program. She serves on the Morris County Open Space and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, the Madison Borough

Historic Preservation Commission, and on the Trustees of the Hartley Dodge Memorial. Ms. Foster was elected Vice Chair in 2014, and also serves on the Grants and Loans, Education and Outreach, and Legislation and Policy Committees.

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 25 years of experience at the Trenton-based firm of Clarke Caton Hintz. In addition to his design work, he serves as consultant to the Historic Preservation Commissions in Flemington and Burlington. A former President of Preservation New Jersey, he serves on the boards of the Trenton Landmarks Commission, the Trenton Historical Society, Passage Theatre and the NJ Capital Philharmonic Orchestra. He served as Trust Vice Chair in 2014 and is currently a member of the Legislation and Policy Committee.



Historic Trust Board of Trustees at Howell Living History Farm



The Advocates for New Jersey History acknowledged the accomplishments of the New Jersey Historic Trust during its annual award program.

Deborah Marquis Kelly, 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 secretary of the Chesterfield Township Historical Society. She is the past member and chair of the NJ Historic Sites Council and 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 Legislation and Policy and Strategic Planning Committees.

Peter Lindsay, P.E., Sussex County

Mr. Lindsay has more than thirty years of professional experience in engineering and holds a master's degree in Mechanical Engineering from New Jersey Institute of Technology. Presently employed in private industry, Mr. Lindsay is a life-long New Jersey resident. His former residence in Hardyston Township was one of the earliest homes built by the Joseph Sharpe family in 1809. Mr. Lindsay participated in the structural stabilization project of the Hamburg Presbyterian Church's 1868 sanctuary. His other interests include antique automobiles, history, and genealogy. He

- Special Thanks -

*The Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Historic Trust expresses its deepest gratitude to **Elan Zingman-Leith** and **Raymond Arcario** for their years of service and leadership representing the Historic Trust and the preservation community in New Jersey.*

***Mr. Zingman-Leith**, appointed to the board in 2006, helped the Trust craft a new mission statement and strategic plan to guide future preservation efforts and strengthen the Trust's leadership role. He served for many years on the Outreach and Education Committee and most recently held the position of Board Chair.*

***Mr. Arcario** served as the ex-officio representative from the Department of Treasury for nine years and held the office of Board Secretary from 2009 until 2014. As chair of the Easements and Acquisitions Committee, he provided invaluable insight and leadership as the Historic Trust evaluated and took on new perpetual easements.*

is a member of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and several classic car clubs in addition to professional organizations. Mr. Lindsay serves on the Acquisitions and Easements Committee.

Kenneth A. Miller, (Treasurer) 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. Mr. Miller was elected Treasurer in 2013, and chairs the Acquisitions and Easements and Strategic Planning Committees.

Katherine Ng, Burlington County

Ms. Ng is the Director of Business Development for 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. She is an active proponent of historic preservation, having worked with post-September 11th restoration of historic Chinatown in lower Manhattan; having served as a past Advisory Board Member for the Pennhurst Memorial and Preservation Alliance to develop an international site of conscience; and serving as an invited speaker for professional and collegiate preservation audiences. Ms. Ng was appointed to the board in 2014. She chairs the Legislation and Policy Committee and serves on the Strategic Planning Committee.

Chris Perks, P.E., (Immediate Past Chair) Camden County

Mr. Perks is a professional engineer who resides in Camden City. Mr. Perks is the most recent past Chair of the Trustees, serving from 2011-13, was Vice Chair for the previous two-year term, and served as Treasurer prior to that. He also serves on the Acquisitions and Easements Committee. He was elected president of the Camden County Historical Society in 2013, after serving as treasurer for several years.

Patricia Anne Salvatore, Cape May County

Ms. Salvatore founded, developed, and preserved/restored two history sites as non-profit 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 heritage tourism, having served on the board of the South Jersey Cultural Alliance since 1994 and the Cape May County Chamber of Commerce for nine years. Ms. Salvatore's contributions to historic preservation, interpretation and heritage tourism have been recognized by the NJ State Federation of Women's Clubs and Douglass College of Rutgers University, the American Association for State & Local History, the Advocates for New Jersey, the New Jersey Governor's Volunteer of the Year Award, the Smithsonian Magazine/Traveler's Conservation Foundation, the NJ Governor's Conference, and by a joint resolution from the NJ Senate and Assembly citing contributions to tourism/historic preservation in 1998. Ms. Salvatore chairs the Education and Outreach Committee.



Trustees and staff visit Ellis Island and Historic Cold Spring Village in Cape May.

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Year in Review - 2014

AWARD-WINNING PROJECTS

In 2014, the NJ Historic Preservation Office recognized a number of historic preservation projects with awards that were presented during National Historic Preservation Month in May. Two of the award-winning projects were beneficiaries of Historic Trust programs.

More information about the HPO Awards can be found at: <http://nj.gov/dep/hpo/4sustain/awdsprogram.htm>.

G. G. Green Building, Woodbury, Gloucester County

The Historic Preservation Office recognized the G.G. Green building's historic rehabilitation as a project that restored a local landmark, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, to serve as an anchor for downtown revitalization. Constructed in 1880 as a Victorian opera house, it was financed by local patent medicine entrepreneur Col. George Gil Green. After remodeling for commercial uses in the 20th century that obscured its historic appearance, the block was abandoned and suffered deterioration. A 2011 demolition request was opposed by local preservation advocates and RPM Development Group presented a proposal to the city to purchase it and adaptively reuse and rehabilitate the historic building to its original character.

The completed project now provides 55 units of affordable housing for residents over 55 years of age, 7,000 square feet of street-level retail space, and a 3,500 square-foot community room, formerly the ballroom, available for public gatherings and events. The New Jersey Historic Trust holds a preservation easement on the building, which protects its historic character-defining features from alteration in perpetuity.



Port Colden United Methodist Church, Port Colden, Warren County

Still serving as the centerpiece of its community, the Port Colden United Methodist Church was constructed in the early 1890s according to the designs of architect A. H. Price. The design is influenced by Carpenter Gothic and Stick-style characteristics. Historically, the village of Port Colden centered on the Morris Canal and included an overnight boat basin, stores providing boat supplies and repair facilities, among other canal-related activities.

The church received two matching grants from the New Jersey Historic Trust totaling \$213,000 that helped fund the preparation of a preservation plan, architectural and engineering series to stabilize the bell tower, and capital money to reattach the steeple, restore the main entry, exterior clapboard and shingle siding, and repaint in period-appropriate colors.

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NJ HISTORY & HISTORIC PRESERVATION CONFERENCE

The annual conference set a new record in 2014! More than 400 guests, speakers, sponsors and volunteers registered for the event; while it started out rainy, it turned into a sunny and lively day of presentations, panel sessions, tours, exhibits, and plenty of opportunities for networking.

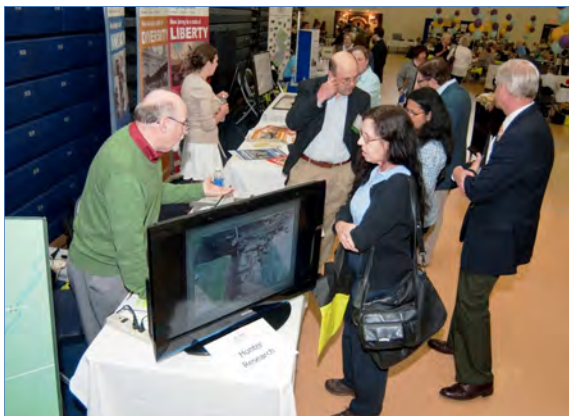
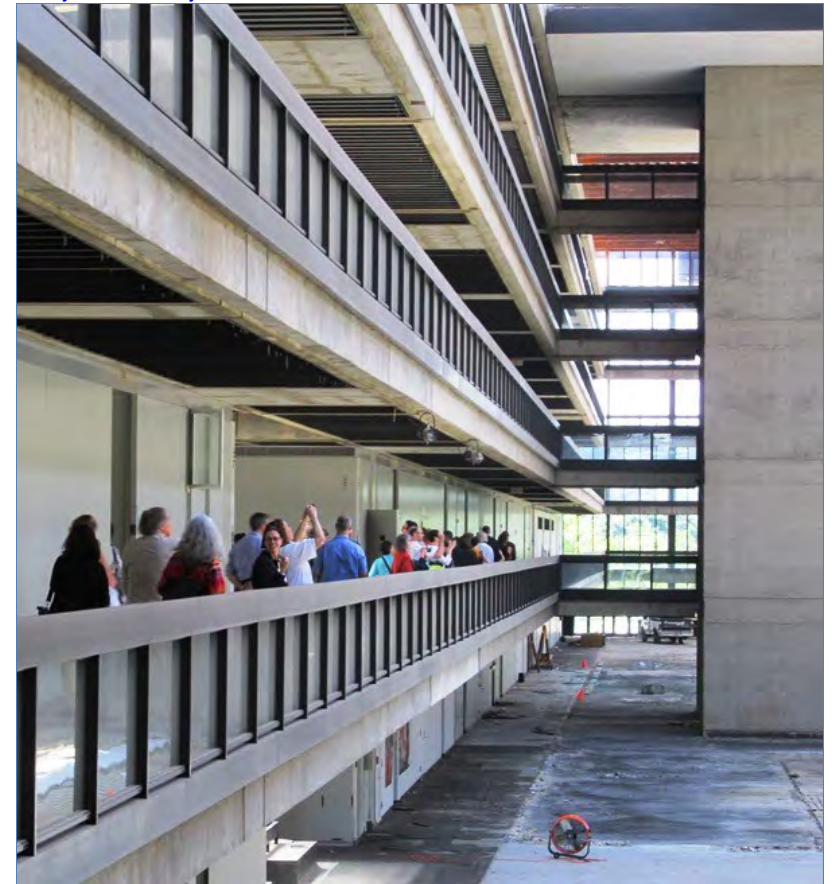
Opening and Closing plenary speakers, Dr. Ned Kaufman (read an excerpt of his remarks on page 12) and Dr. John Durel, challenged the attendees to respond to current audience and environmental needs. History must compete with many other activities and messages in today's social climate. Historic preservationists must let go of past accomplishments and develop new tools that address the physical and cultural challenges in our cities and suburbs.





Field workshops took advantage of some unique Monmouth County sites and communities. One explored shore towns that are recovering from Hurricane Sandy, another sold-out tour bus saw the rehabilitation of the Bell Labs office building and landscape, and a final workshop explored the technology and preservation of Camp Evans military site.

Classroom sessions were popular throughout the day, with special educational tracks for Heritage Tourism, Museum and Collections, and Disaster Recovery, in addition to credited sessions for architects, planners and landscape architects.



The Marketplace exhibit area, which was open during breakfast and lunch, welcomed more than 40 vendors, including contractors, manufacturers, consultants, and nonprofit organizations.

Clockwise from top left: Sandy-related damage and recovery tour, tour of Bell Labs in Holmdel, Limeworks.us and Hunter Research in the Marketplace exhibit area.

Excerpt of Ned Kaufman's Plenary Address "Redesigning Preservation for Today's World" 2014 NJ History and Historic Preservation Conference

Cultural diversity, immigration, poverty, urban collapse, suburban sprawl, climate change – these are all defining features of today's America – and markers that separate us from the America of the 1960s. Given such sweeping changes, is it really surprising that the preservation tools crafted in 1966 have lost their grip? Or that the old preservation rhetoric sometimes rings flat? Given the expanding gap between our tools and the world around us, isn't it time we got ourselves some new tools? I'm not talking about scraping off a little rust or sharpening a blade here or there; not talking about tweaking the tax credits or tacking a new exception onto the too-narrow exception to the too-rigid criterion. I'm talking about designing a new system, one that will be at least as useful to our own time as the original one of 1966 was to its.

We can do this. To take one example of how, let's look again at global warming. Everyone knows we need to cut carbon emissions. Everyone knows we need to do it fast. The question is how. One answer arises from asking a second question: where do the emissions come from? The answer is somewhat surprising. Many Americans blame cars and suburban lifestyles, yet in fact, buildings produce more emissions than cars. Worldwide, one third of all energy-related carbon emissions comes from the construction and use of buildings.....

Instead of encouraging any kind of new construction, green or otherwise, we should be discouraging all but the most vitally necessary new construction. Instead of demolishing old buildings, we should be saving as many as possible. And beyond saving them, we should be retrofitting them, improving their energy efficiency through means which are sometimes sophisticated but often as simple as attic insulation and better thermostats. This is in fact the conclusion which climate groups including the Clinton Climate initiative and the Living Cities groups have reached. The former calls mass retrofit a key climate-change strategy; the latter labels it the "Holy Grail" for cities seeking to cut

emissions: "The biggest and quickest cut that cities can make in carbon, "they say, "is from 'greening' current structures."

Great news for preservation! Indeed the best in decades, or maybe ever. We always thought we were saving the world: now it turns out we really were! Once again: we were righter than we realized. So you'd think preservationists would be shouting the good news from the rooftops, showing off our holy grail as if it were, well, the Holy Grail.

In short, you'd think that the preservation community would be leading the charge for mass retrofits, and that our professional meetings and journals and syllabi would be dominated by discussion of programs and policy proposals to promote it: proposals like taxing demolition, regulating unnecessary new construction, creating broad "carbon preservation districts," or offering massive incentives for retrofitting existing buildings. If you thought that, you'd be disappointed. Instead of enthusiasm, we find a preservation community mired in diffidence and distracted by debates over far less important things. What a tragic waste of opportunity!

*To read Dr. Kaufman's entire address, visit
www.njpreservationconference.org*



2014 Conference: What guests were saying about...

Redefining Historic Sustainability in the Largest Historic District in the State: “I am glad to see some content about other cultures/people of color, and it was eye-opening to think about preservation in the context of a new-immigrant culture and what it takes to get these stakeholders onboard.”

Preserving Historic Buildings Through Recording: “Thought the hands on (skill) workshop was great. I will definitely be putting what I learned to use on my job.”

Ned Kaufman - Opening Plenary: “Wonderful speaker. Heard people talking about his talk all day. Really thought provoking. Good to hear the big picture. Very relevant, timely, motivating.”

What Does it Mean to be Visitor Ready?: “I can use this information right now. I liked the handouts, all on time and useful because all the presenters were volunteers. More sessions like this.”

Collecting - A Thing of the Past?: “Great panel about an important topic that doesn't get enough attention. The collaboration by the museum community was a welcome sight.”

New Perspectives ON THE PAST



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OUTREACH & EVENTS

Clockwise from right: The Trust attended the grand opening of the Darlington School House's new life as the home of the NJ/NY Trail Conference; the Historic Trust contributed to the Arts & History theme booth and educational session at the League of Municipalities Conference; a young re-enactor joins the Trust's exhibit at the Annual History Fair; Trustee Peter Lindsay helped Howell Living History Farm cut the ribbon on the restoration of the Henry Phillips House; and Trust staff dedicate a permanent marker at Liberty Hall carriage house, after its roof restoration project.



NEW
INITIATIVES*Capital Needs Survey Results*

In 2014 the New Jersey Historic Trust published the results of the 2012 Capital Needs Survey. The “Keeping the Past Present” study totals the financial need of the state’s historic resources at \$751 million for repair, preservation and restoration. The capital needs survey that included participation of 483 sites in 353 municipalities, including every type of historic resource - lighthouses, schools, railroad stations, libraries, museums, farms, churches, and community centers.

The survey also documented an additional \$142 million needed to address site improvements for visitors that will make more historic resources available for public visitation. Improved accessibility, signage, parking and restrooms will help site attract heritage tourists to feed the state’s tourism industry.

The combined total amounts to \$893 million needed to assist the state’s historic resources.

Tourism Report Quantifies Success, Potential for Heritage Tourism

Heritage tourism in New Jersey generates nearly 11 million visits, \$2.8 billion in visitor spending and supports 38,000 jobs, according to a recent study of 2012 tourism activity. The resulting impact amounts to 8 percent of the entire state’s tourism industry.

“The Economics & Fiscal Impacts of Heritage Tourism in New Jersey” was commissioned by the New Jersey Historic Trust and completed by Tourism Economics, which conducts research for the state’s Division of Travel and Tourism. By surveying historic sites and calculating the impact of those responses using an industry model, the study measured the effect of visitor spending for transportation, entertainment, accommodations, retail, and food and beverage, on overall spending, employment, wages and taxes in New Jersey.

New Jersey has a wealth of historic and cultural resources including museums, archaeological sites, agricultural and industrial buildings, theaters, and residential neighborhoods that attract 5 million out-of-town visitors and 6 million local residents, the study concluded. The highest concentration of heritage sites are in Bergen, Essex, Morris and Burlington counties, and the greatest number of visitor were to sites in Bergen, Essex, Cape May and Morris counties.



*Why does Heritage Tourism
Matter to New Jersey?*

SANDY DISASTER RELIEF GRANTS FOR HISTORIC PROPERTIES

In 2014, The Department of Environmental Protection/State Historic Preservation Office partnered with the New Jersey Historic Trust to administer the Sandy Disaster Relief Grants for Historic Properties (SDRG). Approximately \$8 million in federal funding was provided by the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service for Sandy-impacted properties that are either listed in the National Register of Historic Places or identified as eligible for this listing. Eligible applicants were properties owned by counties, municipalities, non-profit organizations, houses of worship or places of public accommodation. All proposed repairs and restoration must comply with the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*.

Round I Expressions of Interest were accepted in June 2014, from nonprofit organizations, county or municipal government, and places of public accommodation to fund up to \$500,000 to repair historic and archaeological resources that were impacted by Superstorm Sandy. Round II Expressions of Interest were accepted in July 2014 from religious organizations to fund up to \$150,000 of storm damage. Finally, 37 sites were recommended to the National Park Service for funding totaling \$7,775,014.

Grant funds will be paid to grantees on a reimbursement basis according to the progress of completed work and approval of all work by program staff. No match is required for these grant funds. The funds can only be used for pre-approved, eligible non-construction and construction activities. Grants were awarded based on criteria including historic significance, severity and nature of the storm damage, appropriateness of the project to repair storm-related damage, project cost and public benefit, ability of the applicant to manage and complete the project successfully, and grant fund distribution

Atlantic County

Fire Station #8 (Fire Station #2), Atlantic City:



The city will receive a \$205,649 grant to help fund cleaning and sanitization, garage door replacement, and repairs to plaster ceilings, wall, and trim at this active fire station.

Fire Station #9 (Fire Station #3), Atlantic City: The city will receive a \$338,289 grant to fund a new shingle roof and flashing, cleaning and sanitization of building, and other interior repairs. With similar detailing to Fire Station #9 it too remains active.

Gateway Playhouse, Somers Point: The municipality will receive a \$102,400 grant to fund roof repairs and the replacement and raising of the electrical panel and HVAC system as well as a conditions assessment to guide the reinstallation of the historic features and materials for this c.1910 community meeting place and theatre.

Ventnor City Hall: The city will receive a \$501,000 grant to help fund terrazzo tile floor repairs, foundation repairs, waterproofing, and ceiling repairs on the 1929 brick Jacobethan-Revival-style City Hall.

Burlington County

Colemantown Meeting House, Mt. Laurel:

Jacob's Chapel AME will receive a \$58,200 grant to help fund the flooring repairs to the Colemantown Meeting House, an important building in this area's African-American community built 1873, as well as a civil engineering study to address storm water management and drainage.



Red Dragon Canoe Club, Edgewater Park:

The Shipman Mansion Foundation, Inc. will receive a \$211,000 grant to fund the repair and replacement of the roofing system, restoration of the water-damaged plaster walls and moldings and preparation of a preservation plan for the Second Empire-style structure. It has been the canoe club's home since 1926.



Cape May County

My Shore House (Private owner), Ocean City:

A \$335,879 grant will fund the repair or in-kind replacement of exterior materials damaged by the storm. This Queen Anne-style house retains original fish-scale shingles and stained glass.

Ocean City Life Saving Station, Ocean City:

The city will receive a \$143,031 grant to fund site work to restore the historic integrity of the landscape and physical setting of the Life Saving Station to its period of significance, c. 1906.



Ocean City 10th Street Terminal, Ocean City:

The city will receive a \$501,000 grant to fund the rehabilitation and restoration of the Transportation Center to its period of significance, 1890-1910, including the reconstruction of its original Queen Anne-style turret with a conical roof. When completed, the center will be used daily by bus travelers.

Ocean City City Hall:

The city will receive a \$230,000 grant to fund the replacement of damaged entry doors and grade-level windows. The door and window styles are based on historic images of the Beaux Arts style public building, c. 1915.

St. Peter's United Methodist Church, Ocean City:

The church will receive a \$145,229 grant to fund the repair and rehabilitation of the entire grade-level floor. The church is a landmark property in the historic district.

First Presbyterian Church, Ocean City:

The church will receive a \$151,000 grant to fund remediation and cleaning after the flood waters receded, and repairs to interior finishes, floors, electrical, mechanical, and plumbing systems.

Hangar No. 1 NASW Foundation Aviation Museum, Rio Grande:

NASW Foundation Aviation Museum will receive an \$88,161 grant to fund restoration of damaged sash panels on the hangar doors, roof repairs and restoration of clearstory windows. This hangar served as part of an important WWII pilot training facility.

Cumberland County

Bivalve Oyster Packing Houses and Docks, Port Norris:

Bayshore Center at Bivalve will receive a \$66,000 grant to assess conditions, propose repairs and create a disaster preparedness plan.

Essex County

Newark Museum, Newark: A \$501,000 grant will help fund the replacement of the two damaged roofs on the Second Renaissance Revival Newark Museum's Main Building, important for its architectural and social contributions to the city. The parapet wall will also be rebuilt with new copper flashing that complements the new roofing system.



Reformed Dutch Church of Second River

La Senda Antigua, Bellville: A \$251,000 grant will fund the emergency stabilization of the 1853 Gothic Revival church and the comprehensive restoration of the steeple and tower.

Hudson County

Church of the Holy Innocents Hoboken (All Saints Episcopal Parish), Hoboken:

A \$151,000 grant will fund structural roof repairs and repairs to the stonework on this 1872 High Gothic style building.



Hoboken Public Library, Hoboken: A \$433,439 grant will fund the implementation of flood proofing and flood protection for the 1896 Beaux Arts style building. Work will also address flood mitigation, code compliance, and drainage.

St. Ann Roman Catholic Church, Hoboken:

A \$151,000 grant will help fund the resetting of the clay tile roof on this 1927 Romanesque Revival-style church.

Mercer County

Riverview Cemetery, Trenton: A \$64,393 grant to the cemetery will fund the removal of fallen trees and the creation of a preservation plan to guide future restoration and minimize damage and loss from future weather events. The 58-acre site, which began in 1686 as a Quaker burial ground, was expanded and formally landscaped in the 19th century.

Roebbling Machine Shop, Trenton:

An \$18,475 grant to the city will fund the repair and replacement of four clerestory windows with in-kind materials and appearance in the oldest intact building within the John Roebbling Sons Company complex.





Monmouth County

Church of the Presidents, Long Branch:

A \$29,533 grant to the Long Branch Historical Museum Association will fund the restoration of decorative shingle siding and the reinstallation of two original cruciform stained glass windows. The 1879 house of worship was used by prominent families, including seven U.S. Presidents.

First Baptist Church, Middletown Old First Church, Middletown:

A \$49,999 grant will fund the restoration of the exterior of Fellowship Hall, restoration and/or repair of 21 damaged gravestones, and removal of a damaged beech tree that is threatening the 1832 church site.

Romer Shoal Lighthouse, Middletown:

A \$501,000 grant will help fund the rehabilitation of the 1898 functioning lighthouse and return it to stabilized condition. Initial work will include marine repair to restore landing access.

Christ Church Shrewsbury, Shrewsbury:

A \$150,650 grant will fund a condition assessment to guide work on this 1774 church designed by Robert Smith of Philadelphia. Repair work will address the clock mechanism, the cupola's louvers, damaged grave markers, and preventative maintenance in the churchyard.

Christ Church Shrewsbury, Shrewsbury:

A \$122,930 grant will fund a condition assessment, repair and repainting of wooden exterior elements and the re-creation of working shutters.

Morris County

Acorn Hall, Morristown: The Morris County Historical Society will receive a \$256,000 grant to fund cleaning debris and replanting the Late Successional hardwood forest on the property adjacent to the 1853 Italianate villa. An amendment to the site's National Register nomination will include the significance of the historic landscape.

Ocean County

All Saints Episcopal Church, Bay Head:

A \$151,000 grant will help fund reimbursement for costs not covered by insurance for the 1889 Shingle style church, the oldest in Bay Head. Work includes the replacement of exterior red cedar shingles, sheathing and flooring, and excavation for new concrete slab and pilings.



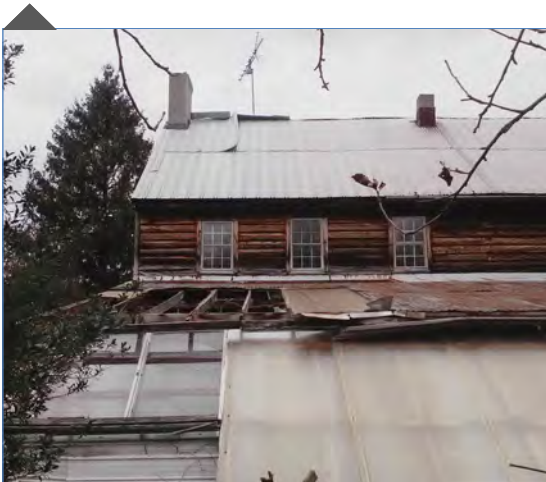
Grenville Hotel and Restaurant (Private owner) Bay Head:

A \$301,000 grant will fund the exterior restoration of this Queen Anne-style building including replacement of 105 damaged windows with historically appropriate replacements.

Holy Innocents Mission Church, Beach Haven: A \$31,057 grant to the Long Beach Island Historical Society will fund interior and exterior repairs, including protection for an exterior chair lift.

U.S. Lifesaving Station No. 13, Borough of Seaside Park: A \$371,049 grant will fund interior and exterior restoration, a new roof and replacement of the damaged accessible ramp with an historically sensitive design for this former lifesaving station that now serves as the borough hall.

Cedar Bridge Tavern, Barnegat Township: The Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders will receive a \$125,426 grant to fund rafter-end repair, chimney reconstruction, gutter and downspout replacement and installation of historically appropriate cedar shingle roof for this former 18th century tavern.



White Cap, 31' Morton Johnson Cutter, Tuckerton: The Barnegat Bay Decoy & Baymen Museum Inc. will receive a \$382,628 grant to fund the total restoration of the 1924 vessel, known as the “Floating Ambassador” for the Tuckerton Seaport.



Tuckerton Emporium (Private Owner), Tuckerton: A \$212,981 grant will fund foundation repair, window repair and replacement, and parapet wall repairs to this prominent c. 1924 commercial building and a companion outbuilding.

Andrews Bartlett House, Tuckerton: The Barnegat Bay Decoy & Baymen Museum Inc. will receive a \$261,000 grant to fund structural analysis and subsequent repair to this Dutch-American frame house. The work will ready the structure for future interior restoration.

Somerset County

Hillsborough Reformed Church, Millstone: A \$58,244 grant will fund an existing conditions assessment and repair and/or replacement of sheathing and roofing shingles on the octagonal steeple of the 1828 Federal style church.

Union County

Evergreen Cemetery, Hillside: A \$123,372 grant will fund the removal and cleanup of fallen and compromised trees and the pruning of damaged limbs on standing trees at this 1853 picturesque landscaped design “rural” cemetery.



Completed Projects

GARDEN STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND

In 2014, more than \$4.5 million was reimbursed for construction and planning activities. The following 14 capital and 19 planning projects were successfully completed and closed out:

The New Jersey Historic Trust has awarded grants under the guidelines for the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust fund since the Fund was established by a voter-approved ballot initiative in 1998, continuing the work of the previous bond-funded grant program. Additional bond referendums in 2007 and 2009 also provided funds for grant rounds in 2010-2012. Since 1990, more than \$149 million in matching grants have been awarded for 734 capital preservation and planning projects throughout the state.

Two categories of grants are awarded through the program. Historic Site Management Grants, up to \$50,000, help support planning exercises that promote effective management 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.

**Castle at Felician College,
Rutherford, Bergen County:**
A \$750,000 grant to the college helped fund the interior rehabilitation of this 19th century landmark campus centerpiece. Work included restoration of historic finishes and windows and accessibility improvements.



Van Wagenen /Apple Tree House, Jersey City, Hudson County: A \$575,000 grant to the city helped fund the interior rehabilitation of this pre-Revolutionary Dutch-owned house after the phase I exterior restoration was complete. Grant work included the restoration of floors, finishes and period-appropriate decorations.



Ellis Island – Laundry Outbuilding, Hudson County: A \$731,368 matching capital grant to Save Ellis Island, Inc. helped fund the exterior and interior of this service building to the hospital complex. It has housed the laundry, morgue, and nurse's residence, and will eventually host public programming and exhibits.



Trenton Bath House and Day Camp, Ewing, Mercer County: A \$750,000 matching capital grant to Mercer County helped fund the restoration of the iconic Louis Kahn-designed bath house and pavilions that were constructed between 1955 and 1957. In addition to performing their original recreational function, the site is an attraction for architectural tourists from around the world.



Christ Episcopal Church, New Brunswick, Middlesex County: A \$412,408 capital grant to the church helped fund masonry repairs, repointing and structural repairs to this 19th-century church campus that hosts many community activities including a food pantry, cultural and educational events, and immigration services.

Trinity Episcopal Church, Woodbridge, Middlesex County: A \$253,540 grant helped address the structural stabilization of roof trusses and floor joists as well as exterior restoration work. The design of the 1860 Gothic Revival church, which is the center of a substantial church campus, was influenced by Richard Upjohn.



Squan Beach Life Saving Station, Manasquan, Monmouth County: A \$450,000 matching capital grant to the borough helped fund the interior rehabilitation of this 1902 building including heating and ventilation, restoration of floors and finishes and construction of a barrier-free entrance and ramp.



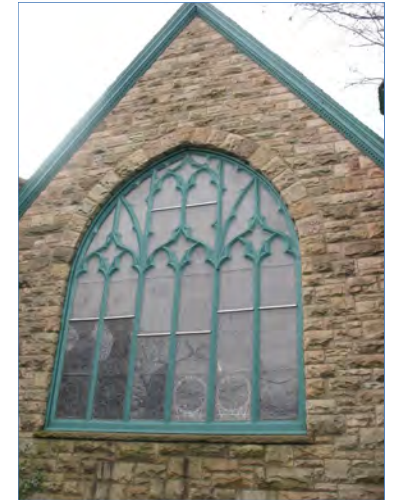
SUM Great Falls Power Plant, Paterson, Passaic County: A \$180,000 matching grant to the Paterson Municipal Utilities Authority helped fund exterior masonry repairs to this 1914 power plant, part of the Great Falls/ SUM National Historic Landmark District.



Presbyterian Church at Bound Brook, Bound Brook, Somerset County: A \$400,000 matching capital grant helped fund exterior restoration of the 1897 church including slate roof replacement, repairing and repainting the decorative wood shingles and masonry repairs.

All Souls Church, Plainfield, Union County: A \$446,369 matching capital grant helped fund exterior restoration of the church and parish house including masonry repointing, slate roof replacement and construction of an accessible entry and porch. The church is used daily for community service and arts activities.

First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, Union County: A \$750,000 grant to the church helped fund exterior restoration of the old parish house in preparation for its new use as a community and history center. The grant also funded grave marker restoration and accessibility improvements within the 18th century church burial ground.



Liberty Hall Carriage House, Union, Union County: A \$199,612 grant to the Liberty Hall Foundation helped fund stabilization and slate roof replacement at the carriage house, one of the significant outbuildings to Liberty Hall, home of William Livingston, the first governor of New Jersey.

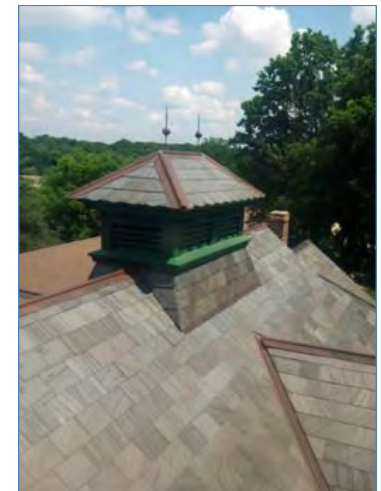


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HISTORIC SITE MANAGEMENT GRANTS

Burlington County

- **Destination Paulsdale: Revealing the Hidden Gem, Mount Laurel:** A \$20,000 grant to the Alice Paul Institute helped fund a wayfinding signage program and marketing recommendations to help Paulsdale plan for signage that will attract more visitors to this National Historic Landmark.

Camden County

- **Indian King Tavern, Haddonfield:** A \$50,000 grant to the Friends of the Indian King Tavern helped fund the preparation of a preservation plan for this 18th century commercial site, the first historic building to be acquired by the State for the purpose of making it a museum.
- **Joseph Cooper House, Camden:** A \$48,000 grant to Cooper's Ferry Development Corporation helped fund research and recommendations for the resource's incorporation into the surrounding park and future cultural and educational programming and signage. After suffering a damaging fire, the early 18th century building is now a designated archaeology site.

Cape May County

- **Goshen Public School, Middle Township:** A \$30,000 grant to Goshen Volunteer Fire Company helped fund preparation of a National Register nomination and a preservation plan to identify most urgent repairs. The grantee wishes to repair and rehabilitate the 1872 former schoolhouse for continued public use.

Cumberland County

- **Cumberland Nail and Iron Works Office, Bridgeton:** A \$15,109 grant helped fund a preservation plan for this building, one of the few remaining resources associated with Bridgeton's substantial nail-manufacturing industry. The plan will help guide future efforts to create a museum and visitors center.

Essex County

- **Branch Brook Park, Newark:** A \$34,612 grant to the Branch Brook Park Alliance helped fund a restoration plan for the northern, naturalistic section of the Olmstead Brothers-designed park.

Hunterdon County

- **Christoffel Vought Farmstead, Clinton Township:** A \$30,000 grant to the nonprofit 1759 Vought House Inc. helped fund the preparation of a prioritized conditions assessment and vision plan for the German and English –influenced house, which was saved from demolition.
- **Solitude House, High Bridge Borough:** A \$ 50,000 grant to the borough helped fund the preparation of a preservation plan for the house, which is associated with the local ironworks industry.
- **Hunts' Mill and Mulligan Quarry, Clinton:** A \$14,429 grant to the Red Mill Museum helped fund an interpretive signage program that identifies each of the site's resources with historic photographs, graphics and narrative history.

HISTORIC SITE MANAGEMENT GRANTS (*cont.*)

Mercer County

- **First Presbyterian Church of Ewing, Ewing:** A \$50,000 grant to the Presbytery of New Brunswick helped fund the preparation of a detailed structural assessment and construction documents to repair the 1867 sanctuary, which was saved from demolition by community preservation advocates.

Morris County

- **Greystone, Parsippany- Troy Hills:** A \$50,000 grant to the Department of Treasury/ State of New Jersey helped fund a feasibility assessment on the potential for reuse and redevelopment of the property, a psychiatric hospital designed by architect Samuel Sloan and Dr. Thomas Kirkbride in 1876.

Somerset County

- **Jacobus Vanderveer House, Bedminster:** A \$48,750 grant to the Friends of the Vanderveer-Knox House helped fund the preparation of a comprehensive heritage tourism assessment and interpretive plan to promote public visitation to the Dutch farmhouse that served as General Knox's headquarters while he led the Pluckemin encampment and military training of 1778-79.

Sussex County

- **Bevans, Sandyston Township:** A \$33,000 grant to the Peters Valley Craft Center helped to fund a facility master plan for the Peters Valley Historic District, whose 20 historic buildings support the craft center's activities including classrooms, housing, office, and store.

Warren County

- **Hoff-Vannatta Farmstead, Harmony Township:** A \$47,000 grant to the township helped fund construction documents for the next phase of restoration. Since acquiring the property in 2001, the property's farmhouse and outbuildings have been stabilized and repaired.
- **Morris Canal: Lock Tender's House, Lock 4 West, Saxon Falls vicinity:** A \$12,000 grant to the Canal Society of New Jersey helped pay for construction documents to stabilize the Lock Tender's house, which is deteriorated. The site contains archaeological potential to study two locks, the towpath related to the Morris Canal, in operation from 1824 to 1924.
- **Morris Canal: Lopatcong Creek, Lopatcong and Greenwich Townships:** A \$29,831 grant to the North Jersey Resource Conservation & Development helped explore the feasibility study of restoring the Morris Canal towpath on the Lopatcong creek. The project includes base mapping, hydrology analysis, hydraulics, and archaeological investigations.

For the fourth consecutive year, 1772 Foundation partnered with the New Jersey Historic Trust to offer Capital Preservation Grants up to \$15,000 to nonprofit organizations for exterior repair and restoration projects. The grants require a one-to-one match from the grant recipient, and are limited to certified 501(c)3 organizations, excluding schools and religious congregations.

Since 2011, the Historic Trust has recommended grand awards totaling \$965,000 to 88 projects, in partnership with the 1772 Foundation.

In 2014, the Historic Trust evaluated 51 applications requesting \$636,991 and ultimately recommended funding totaling \$295,578 to 28 applicants. The following grants were approved by the 1772 Foundation at its July 2014 meeting:

Atlantic County

Lucy the Elephant, Margate: The Save Lucy Committee will receive \$11,170 to help fund the exterior painting of this National Historic Landmark, a six story tall elephant-shaped building that dates to 1881.

Bergen County

Waldwick Train Station, Waldwick: Waldwick Community Alliance will receive \$15,000 to help fund exterior painting of the Victorian-era train station in period-appropriate colors.



Burlington County

Junior Order of American Mechanics Lodge, Lumberton: The Lumberton Historical Society will receive \$8,000 toward the cost of producing and installing custom wood storm windows to protect its Gothic-style windows. The former lodge building and municipal hall is now a community center.



Red Dragon Canoe Club, Edgewater Park: The Shipman Mansion Foundation will receive \$12,000 for roof restoration on this 1869 former mansion, which is occupied by one of the oldest boat clubs on the Delaware River.

Cape May County

Cape Island Presbyterian Church, Cape May: Cape May Stage will receive \$15,000 toward the cost of replacing original windows with new windows that will match the historic profiles. The building has been used as a church, a visitors center, and now a performing arts venue.



Cold Spring Village, Lower Township: Historic Cold Spring Village will receive \$15,000 to help fund roof and siding replacement on one building moved to this historic village, and exterior painting of the Grange building, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Emlen Physick Estate, Cape May: The Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts and Humanities will receive \$15,000 toward the cost of painting recently installed cedar roofs to match the original color.

Hangar No. 1, Rio Grande: The Naval Air Station Wildwood will receive \$15,000 toward the cost of roof restoration on one portion of the Navy-built hangar, which is home to a museum on World War II aircraft.

Cumberland County

GAR Jacob Shinn Post No. 6, Port Norris: The Port Norris Historical Society will receive \$5,000 toward the cost of a new metal roof on its recently acquired 1890 Main Street storefront building that is the society's headquarters.

Essex County

Canfield-Morgan Farmhouse, Cedar Grove: The Cedar Grove Historical Society will receive \$3,920 to help fund exterior painting of this c. 1845 farmhouse.

Parsil House, Millburn: The Millburn-Short Hills Historical Society will receive \$15,000 for roof replacement and restoration on its 1820s-era house that was saved from development pressure in 2013.

Gloucester County

Hunter Lawrence Jessup House, Woodbury: The Gloucester County Historical Society will receive \$8,400 to help pay for the restoration of a rear porch on the 1871 Italianate-style house, home to its museum and collections since 1924.



Woodbury Train Station, Woodbury: The Woodbury Olde City Restoration Committee, which leases the 1883 Stick-Style train station to a restaurant, will receive \$8,720 to help fund exterior painting in period-appropriate colors.

Hunterdon County

Case-Dvoor Farmstead, Raritan Township: The Hunterdon Land Trust will receive \$15,000 to fund foundation repairs and a new slate roof on the 19th century wagon house that will be used for educational programs.

Monmouth County

Eden Wooley House, Ocean Township: The Township of Ocean Historical Museum will receive \$9,500 to help fund the exterior painting of the c.1750 house, which was saved from demolition in 2005 and now houses history exhibits and programming.

Grover House, Middletown: The Navesink Maritime Heritage Association will receive \$11,000 toward the cost of exterior repairs to the fascia, porch, shutters, gutters and downspouts in preparation for moving the association's office and programs into the building.

Marlpit Hall, Middletown: The Monmouth County Historical Association will receive \$12,000 to help fund the exterior painting of windows and doors as well as hardware and roof repairs to the house museum, built c. 1756.



Morris County

Acorn Hall, Morristown: The Morris County Historical Society will receive \$3,399 toward the cost of upgrading the Italianate-style house museum's existing alarm system.

Mendham Borough Library, Mendham Borough: The Library will receive \$10,000 toward the cost of replacing gutters and downspouts and repairing the slate roof on this modest Classical-inspired building constructed in 1932.

Ralston Cider Mill, Mendham: The Ralston Cider Mill Museum will receive \$10,000 to recreate the original entry porch and stair to this 1848 grist mill. The building was converted to a cider mill and distillery in 1910.

Ocean County

Pierson-Schulthorp House, Toms River: The Ocean County Historical Society will receive \$15,000 toward the repair and restoration of the porch on its 19th century former residence that is now a house museum and research center.

Passaic County

J.W. Rea House, Hawthorne: The Friends of Passaic County Parks Foundation will receive \$13,000 toward restoration of the roof on the 19th century Dutch-style residence located in a county park.

Whritenour House, West Milford: The Friends of Long Pond Ironworks will receive \$316 toward the cost of repainting this 19th century residence. (The modest award represents the remaining available balance of the 2014 grant round.)



Union County

Levi Cory House, Mountainside: The Mountainside Restoration Committee will receive \$8,000 toward the cost of roof replacement and chimney repair on this farmhouse that was recently saved from demolition.

Liberty Hall Carriage House, Union Township: The Liberty Hall Museum will receive \$15,000 toward the cost of repairing 13 windows on the 1882 carriage house, which is part of the historic Kean/Livingston family estate.

Oswald Nitschke House, Kenilworth: The Kenilworth Historical Society will receive \$5,575 to help pay for exterior painting, porch restoration and security upgrades for this building that showcases period rooms and exhibits.

William Edgar Reeve House, Westfield: The Westfield Historical Society will receive \$15,000 toward the replacement of 24 vinyl windows with historically accurate wood windows on this 1875 Italianate-style history and community center.

This Historic Trust is pleased to announce that its ongoing partnership with the 1772 Foundation will continue into 2015. The deadline for application in the grant round is April 1, 2015. Applications can be downloaded from: www.njht.org.

Completed Project

DISCOVER NJ HISTORY

LICENSE PLATE FUND

The Discover NJ History License Plate Fund provides small grants (up to \$5,000) to develop and promote visitor-ready sites as heritage tourism destinations. The License Plate Fund was established at the recommendation of the 2010 Heritage Tourism Master Plan for New Jersey.

Since 2012, 14 projects have been awarded grants totaling \$48,185. Successful projects include creation of wayside and interpretive signage, a smartphone app, a marketing guide for historic sites, and collaborative tour development.

Completed Project Highlight: Riverton Bicycle Track Marker

The Riverton Historical Society received a grant from the Discover NJ History License Plate Fund to create and install a permanent marker commemorating the 1895 bicycle race that pitted the best relay teams from New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey against each other in a spectacular 150-mile trek. The race began on the steps of the *New York Times* Building and finished at Riverton's own quarter-mile track. (This premier racing venue of its day featured a club-house, grandstand with a 3,000-person capacity, and twelve arc lights to illuminate night races.) The marker will draw attention to Riverton's historical significance during the "Golden Age" of bicycles. Riverton already has an established bicycle race, the Historic Riverton Criterium, which occurs annually on the second Sunday in June. A second ride, the Historic Riverton Century, will commemorate the 1895 Tri-State Relay. The future plan is to utilize these two events to create a fun weekend of cycling in Riverton and a destination event for visitors.



The "Discover NJ History" License Plate Fund for Heritage Tourism

Applications are accepted at any time throughout the fiscal year, until the annual allocation has been exhausted. Grants are available to agencies or entities of state, county or municipal government and nonprofit organizations. The grants may be used to promote interpretation; marketing links among heritage sites; to assess visitor-readiness of a heritage site or sites; to establish performance evaluation systems; and to provide training initiatives, workshops and educational activities that foster the goals and objectives of the NJ Heritage Tourism Plan.

"Discover NJ History" License Plate

The grant program is supported by income from sales and renewals of the "Discover NJ History" License plate. History supporters pay a one-time fee of \$50 and annual renewal of \$10, all of which contributes to the fund. The more license plates that are sold, the greater the number of awards that will be made to help grow heritage tourism in New Jersey.



UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

In communities across the country, the United States Postal Service has begun to sell redundant service facilities, including some historic buildings. While the Postal Service may dispose of historic properties, federal law requires that it look at how its actions will affect the historic resource.

In New Jersey, the Postal Service contacted the Historic Trust regarding the disposition of two of its historic post offices and another property with historic significance. Because the resources are eligible for listing, or are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the New Jersey Historic Preservation Office is requiring that as a condition of sale, a historic preservation easement be placed on each building or site.

The Postal Service applied to the Historic Trust to hold the preservation easements, which would protect identified character-defining features and materials. Future owners would be required to adhere to the terms of the easement, and preserve the historic character of the buildings according to the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*.



Palmer Square Post Office, Princeton, Mercer County

The United States Postal Service is selling this building, which contributes to the Princeton Historic District. The Neo-classical style building was constructed in 1934 in Princeton's public square. The historic preservation easement includes the exterior of the building as well as certain interior features such as its decorative public space. A potential buyer has been identified, and the easement will be recorded at the time of sale.

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE



Lakewood Post Office, Lakewood, Ocean County

The Postal Service sold this building in November 2014. It is determined eligible for listing on the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places as a unique example of Art Deco-style architecture for this area. Constructed in 1937, it features stylized terra cotta window and door surrounds. The historic preservation easement includes only the building exterior, as the interior has been substantially altered and does not retain character-defining features. The easement is in the process of being recorded.

Postal Facility (Archaeological Site), Monmouth County

Different than the two historic buildings, which have definitive character and materials to protect, this easement is for an archaeological site on a Postal Service property. Eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, the archaeological site is located on a larger parcel occupied by a non-historic postal facility. The Postal Service is preparing to sell the land and facility, and as a condition of the sale, the NJ Historic Preservation Office is requiring the placement of a perpetual historic preservation easement on the archaeological site to protect the site. The easement applies to the known archaeologically sensitive boundaries of the property associated with 18th century history.

About the NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST

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 its programs:

The **Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund** (GSHTF) 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 GSHTF continues the work of the Historic Preservation Bond Program (1990-1997).

The **New Jersey Cultural Trust Capital Preservation Grants** provide funding to protect and improve historic properties that are used by organizations that have history or humanities programming. Grants may be used for stabilization, repair, restoration, adaptive use, and increased accessibility. This funding is offered every three years, 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 as heritage tourism destinations.

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 funds for critically needed work on endangered historic resources. The grant portion of this program is temporarily suspended; loans are still available.

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. Donated properties are resold by the Trust with protective easements to ensure their preservation.

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