



## **The 1772 Foundation Awards Grants to New Jersey Historic Preservation Organizations**

25 grant recipients announced

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NEWPORT, RI – The 1772 Foundation, partnering for the sixth year with the [New Jersey Historic Trust](#), awarded historic preservation grants totaling \$290,000 to 25 private nonprofit organizations in New Jersey. The grants ranged in amount from \$2,038 to the grant maximum of \$15,000. 11 of the 25 organizations received the maximum grant amount. Each grant recipient was required to have matching funds for its project. Grants also were awarded in Connecticut and Rhode Island.

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

Dorothy Guzzo, Executive Director, New Jersey Historic Preservation Trust, noted, “We are so grateful to the 1772 Foundation for its continued support of New Jersey’s historic sites. While helping to preserve a variety of wonderful historic sites, this funding has also been instrumental in leveraging private philanthropy.”

President of the 1772 Foundation, B. Danforth Ely, stated "Our small matching grants provide important funding for preventive maintenance and accurate historic restoration. Grants of this nature are relatively scarce." He added, "The organizations receiving these grants must have a match in-hand at the time of application, thus demonstrating their commitment to preserving their buildings and local community support."

Grant recipients were Collingswood Foundation for the Arts, Count Basie Theatre (Red Bank), Court Street School Education Community Center (Freehold), Ewing Township Historic Preservation Society, Friends of the Locktown Stone Church (Delaware Township), Friends of Wallisch Homestead (West Milford Township), The Growing Stage -- The Children's Theatre of New Jersey (Netcong), **The Highlands Nature Friends (Ringwood)**, Historic Cold Spring Village (Lower Township), InfoAge (Wall Township), Macculloch Hall Historical Museum (Morristown), Morris County Historical Society (Morristown), Morris Museum (Morristown), Morven Museum & Garden (Princeton), Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center (Bloomfield), Old Barracks Association (Trenton), The Parker Homestead - 1665 (Little Silver), Peters Valley School of Craft (Layton), Pinelands Preservation Alliance (Southampton), Pohatcong History & Heritage Society (Phillipsburg), Proprietary House Association (Perth Amboy), Tewksbury Historical Society (Oldwick), Township of Hamilton Historical Society, Township of Ocean Historical Museum, and Whitesbog Preservation Trust (Browns Mills).

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

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