



NEWS RELEASE

Pomfret Foundation Awards Historic Preservation Grants.

The 1772 Foundation, in cooperation with the National Preservation Partners Network, announces fifteen grant recipients.

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POMFRET, CONNECTICUT – The National Preservation Partners Network and The 1772 Foundation, based in Pomfret, Connecticut, play a leading role in promoting historic properties redevelopment programs (HPRPs) also known as revolving funds, nationwide. At its quarterly meeting, the partnership awarded HPRP grants totaling \$810,000. Individual grants ranged in amount from \$10,000 for **Vision Carthage** in Carthage, Missouri to conduct a feasibility study, to \$120,000 for New Bedford, Massachusetts' **Waterfront Historic Area League (WHALE)**, the only historic preservation CDC in the country.

Other HPRP grant recipients were **Cincinnati Preservation Association** in Cincinnati, Ohio (\$70,000), **Cleveland Restoration Society** in Cleveland, Ohio (\$70,000), **Fairmount Park Conservancy** in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (\$20,000), **Historic Charleston Foundation** in Charleston, South Carolina (\$75,000), **Historic Wilmington Foundation Inc.** in Wilmington, North Carolina (\$75,000), **The L'Enfant Trust** in Washington, DC (\$100,000), **Preservation Maryland** in Baltimore, Maryland (\$70,000), **Preservation North Carolina** in Raleigh, North Carolina (\$75,000), and **Sarasota Alliance for Historic Preservation** in Sarasota, Florida (\$50,000).

Five preservation organizations considering the establishment of HPRPs received grants to conduct feasibility studies. Recipients of these grants were **Decay Devils** in Gary, Indiana (\$20,000), **Quapaw Quarter Association** in Little Rock, Arkansas (\$15,000), **Selma Dallas County Historic Preservation Society** in Selma, Alabama (\$20,000), **Historic Denver** in Denver, Colorado (\$20,000), and the above-noted Vision Carthage.

According to Executive Director, Mary Anthony, “The 1772 Foundation made its first grants to HPRPs in 2006, attracted to their combination of historic preservation values and entrepreneurial spirit. They continue to be a key area of interest for us and one of our earliest and best examples of high impact granting. Employing a variety of real estate techniques, these innovative organizations recycle funds to save endangered historic buildings and even whole neighborhoods.”

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.

The National Preservation Partners Network (NPPN), established as an independent organization in 2018, works to advance the growth and effectiveness of the organized historic preservation movement through education, training, and a common advocacy agenda. More information about NPPN may be found at <https://PresPartners.org>.

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