Commonwealth Impact Report

Through creative partnerships, targeted educational and advocacy programs, advisory assistance, and special projects – assists Pennsylvania communities to protect and utilize the historic resources they want to preserve for the future.
Preservation Pennsylvania is the commonwealth’s only statewide, private, nonprofit membership organization dedicated to the protection of historically and architecturally significant properties. The organization was created in 1982 as the Preservation Fund of Pennsylvania to operate a revolving fund that would assist in the acquisition and rehabilitation of historic properties. Since its incorporation, the organization has evolved and now organizes the statewide Conference on Heritage, hosts the Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Awards, and publishes an annual list of endangered properties in Pennsylvania At Risk in addition to managing a revolving fund and intervention fund. Preservation Pennsylvania also participates in educational programs and advocacy initiatives, conducts special projects, and offers on-site assistance to people throughout the commonwealth.

You’ll see how your membership dollars, donations and sponsorships helped preservation happen in Pennsylvania in 2018. Thank you for making a difference!
Overview

In 2018, we paused the annual statewide conference gathering and offered educational workshop programming in Philadelphia (tax credits), Lancaster (managing development) and Harrisburg (CRM).

The new format attracted new attendees, who were able to gain insights and tools to help them work toward preservation in their local communities.

In April we visited Lancaster for Balancing Development and Protection: A Workshop for Municipalities and Citizen Advocates. Here, we brought together developers, local planners, historic preservation advocates, municipalities, and nonprofit organizations to discuss how to recognize the need for development without losing sight of the importance of maintaining local identity and sense of place.

Our speakers included Matthew J. Creme, Nikolaus & Hohennadel, LLP; on legal options available to municipalities; Dr. Angela Cuthbert, Millersville University with an analytical overview of municipal preservation ordinances; Karen Martryck, Lancaster Farmlands Trust, examining the role farmland conservation plays in good land use planning; Gemma de la Fuente and Lynne Scott Padre, 961 DCA LLC on historic resources as positive economic factors; Nicholas Redding, Preservation Maryland on how to advocate for change at the municipal level; and Andrea MacDonald, PA State Historic Preservation Office, answering the question “Since my municipality decides to implement review or protection, what are the next steps?”

A group exercise led by Mindy Crawford and Andrea MacDonald explored how to choose what to save and where development can occur, plus further discussion of what tools, support, and advocacy is needed to make changes at the state.

May took us to Philadelphia for Investing in Innovation: How Federal and State Tax Credits Make Historic Properties Viable for Commercial Development. We partnered with Temple University’s Real Estate Institute and the Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia and hosted the workshop in a recently completed tax credit project that transformed the former Beneficial Savings Bank into the Thomas R. Kline Institute of Trail Advocacy.

Our speakers included Scott Doyle, Preservation Incentives Division Manager, Pennsylvania SHPO; Marcy Hart, Partner, Fox Rothschild LLP; Marshall Phillips, Office Managing Principal, Project Finance & Consulting, CohrReznick LLP; Cindy Hamilton, Vice President, Heritage Consulting Group; Stuart Rosenberg, AIA, Principal; Stuart & Rosenberg, Architects; and Eric Blumenfeld, Owner, EB Realty Management Corp.

The final session of the day examined the importance of state and federal historic preservation tax credits and the important advocacy work necessary to ensure we don’t lose these important tools. Speakers included Renee Kuhlm an, Director of Policy Outreach, National Trust for Historic Preservation; Mindy G. Crawford, Executive Director, Preservation Pennsylvania; and Paul Steinke, Executive Director, Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia.

In June our Byways to the Past: Cultural Resource Management Workshop offered a day of sessions and an exhibitor space where attendees socialized and shared stories. The morning sessions featured updates on policy and initiatives from the Federal Highway Administration (Jennifer Fisken, Environmental Protection Specialist, FHWA Pennsylvania Division); Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (Dr. Karla Beckerman) and the State Historic Preservation Office (Doug McLean).

The session Storytelling in the Age of Technology shared case studies from The Purple Line: Gap Storymap (Charles Richmond, McCormick Taylor Associates); The I-95 Interactive Website (Matt Harris, AECOM); and Mobile Apps for the Pennsylvania CDBG (Harman Harvey and Elizabeth Shultz, PA SHPO).

Alternative Mitigation and Transportation illustrated the most current approaches for resolving adverse effects for transportation projects and included a survey of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad’s Clarion Summit to Hallstead Cutoff (Gerry Kuncius, Skelly & Loy); Mitigating the Keystone Line (Steven Panko (BPT/}

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At Risk sites are submitted by citizens across the state, who seek the designation as a tool to raise awareness, promote local action and encourage planning actions, funding and legislation that supports preservation activities. Preservation Pennsylvania waives field service fees for At Risk Properties for the year and provides additional services, support and intervention funding. Donations to our Love Never Gives Up campaign directly benefited these properties. Thank you to everyone who opened their hearts — and their checkbooks!

We also continued efforts on behalf of past Pennsylvania At Risk sites. For example, we worked behind the scenes and at public meetings toward preservation of the Mifflin House (York County) as well as another important Underground Railroad site, Abolition Hall in Plymouth Meeting (Montgomery County).

Supporters at a local meeting to learn more about the history of the Mifflin House and efforts to save it from demolition.

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**2018 Pennsylvania At Risk**

1. **Mount Tabor AME Church**
   - Cedar Street, Mount Holly Springs
   - Cumberland County
   - **THREAT:** Physical Deterioration

2. **E.L. Meyers High School**
   - 341 Carey Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, PA
   - Luzerne County
   - **THREAT:** Demolition

3. **Cooper House**
   - 200-202 West Third Street, Nescopeck
   - Luzerne County
   - **THREAT:** Demolition

4. **Former Pennsylvania Railroad Tipple**
   - Greater Renovo Area Heritage Park
   - 78 Industrial Road, Renovo
   - Clinton County
   - **THREAT:** Physical Deterioration
Financials

2017-2018

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- Management Fees: 19%
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- Grants: 5%
- Event Registrations: 4%
- Rental Income: 3%

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- Management Expenses: 15%
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Astrid McLanahan (right) received the Henry A. Jordan Award from Jane Sheffield and Philip Zimmerman

Oliver Bass accepted the F. Otto Haas Award for Natural Lands

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