



Morris County Historic Preservation Trust Fund

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The Morris County Board of Freeholders has approved spending \$2 million from the county's Historic Preservation Trust Fund to help preserve 26 historic sites in 20 towns.

The freeholders approved 29 grants based upon the recommendation of the county's Historic Preservation Trust Fund Review Board, which reviewed a total of 32 applications.

Of the grants approved, 15 were for construction or restoration projects and 14 grants were non-construction projects, which may include acquisition and the development of plans for preservation.

Morris County voters approved the creation of the Historic Preservation Trust Fund in November 2002, allowing the freeholders to amend the county's Open Space and Farmland Preservation Trust Fund to include the acquisition and preservation of historic sites and facilities.

The funds come from trust fund monies that have been traditionally set aside for administrative costs and were not diverted from open space or farmland preservation.

The largest construction grant, \$385,000, was awarded to the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship for replacement of the roof of the Fellowship's 1912 neo-Georgian building in Morris Township, which is listed on both the national and New Jersey registers.

A \$160,000 award was granted to Roxbury Township for the structural stabilization of the Morris Canal Plane 2 East, which is a contributing feature in the Morris Canal Historic District.

Pequannock received a grant of \$157,040 to help pay for exterior and interior restoration of the 1872 Stick style Pompton Plains Railroad Station, which is one of the few remaining stations of the period.

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Other historic preservation grants for either construction or non-construction went to St. John's Episcopal Church, Boonton, \$39,688; First Presbyterian Church of Hanover, East Hanover, \$47,440; Hancock Cemetery, Florham Park, \$3,650; Ralston Cider Mill, Mendham Township, \$100,000; Montville Schoolhouse No. 10, Montville, \$72,000; Flanders United Methodist Church, Mount Olive, \$25,960; Bowlsby-DeGelleke House, Parsippany-Troy Hills, \$154,262; Glenburn House, Riverdale, \$142,040; King Homestead Museum, Roxbury, \$18,740; Oscar A. Kincaid Home of History, Boonton Township, \$21,640; Whippany Burying Yard, Hanover, \$18,320; Webb Memorial Chapel, Madison, \$35,600; Morristown & Morris Township Library, Morristown, \$22,500; Woman's Club of Morristown, \$14,720; Seward House, Mount Olive, \$8,000; Growing Stage, Netcong, \$13,928; Craftsman Farms, Parsippany-Troy Hills, \$84,000; Parsippany Presbyterian Church, Parsippany-Troy Hills, \$37,292; Union Church Ruin, Washington Township, \$6,800; and Morris Canal Lock 2 East, Wharton, \$100,000.

Projects that received both construction and non construction grants were Glen Alpin, Harding Township, \$228,100; First Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dover, \$59,985; and United Methodist Church in Madison, \$52,722.

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