Preservation Pennsylvania – 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 2017. Thank you for making a difference!

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In 2017, Carol Bostian (second from left) transitioned from full-time office manager to part-time bookkeeping and semi-retirement!
2017 has given us a tale of two Pennsylvanias. One Pennsylvania is experiencing a building boom, with developmental pressure as has not been seen in decades. The other Pennsylvania languishes, awaiting investment of any kind. In both places, preservation is under attack. In both places, Pennsylvanians increasingly look to Preservation Pennsylvania, the commonwealth’s only statewide preservation advocacy organization, to answer the call to action.

Whether in a bull market or a bear market, people look to us to lift the message that preserving historic resources and progress through development are not mutually exclusive concepts. Much to the contrary, positing them on opposite sides of a fulcrum merely entrenches a costly misconception. The truth is that in Pennsylvania, good development – true progress – almost invariably incorporates reuse of historic resources. The future is inextricably connected to the past; the most successful built environments embody that fundamental human truth in meaningful ways.

At the present time, despite our continuing advocacy work in Harrisburg and Washington, we are losing ground. Pennsylvania’s economy is still shrinking, with growth concentrated disproportionately in areas that cannot support more sprawl. Pennsylvania’s population is aging faster than any other state except for Florida. Its infrastructure, a legacy from a different time, is in toto unsurmountable. Our legacy of historic resources is one of our greatest assets, and we simply cannot afford to surrender it for whatever box of trinkets is proffered in exchange.

Nonetheless, we have seen increasing resistance to the implementation of protections and incentives for preservation. The creation of new historic districts has slowed — a real problem since most Pennsylvania municipalities have NO protection mechanism in place even though the law requires them to do so. We have seen a resistance to the expansion of existing districts, and an undermining of HARB and historical commission decisions by elected officials.

While we should be incentivizing reinvestment in what is already here, even our meager $3M state historic tax credit is set to expire. Other laws, like a blighted property conservatorship law and a county-tax-supported demolition fund, enable the mass clearing of historic fabric.

These trends are found in both Pennsylvanias. They predate the past election, and the philosophy underlying seems to go beyond political talking points. They transcend the bounds of republican, democrat, rural and urban.

In 2017, we began planning a major retooling of our enterprise, with the goal of meeting the preservation challenges Pennsylvania faces head-on. Over the course of 2018 and 2019, our fundraising and advocacy initiatives will build our organization so we may deal with very real and present dangers to preservation in both Pennsylvanias.

Among our goals, we seek to:

1) protect and expand the state historic preservation tax credits;
2) expand and update state-level enabling legislation for local preservation protections (reconciling the conflict with zoning and building codes, making protection mechanisms more flexible and customizable);
3) enforce and facilitate implementation of existing legislation requiring municipalities to protect historic resources;
4) promulgate regulations with teeth under Pennsylvania’s History Code. Similarly, the Pennsylvania State Constitution Article I, Section 27, which posits the commonwealth as a trustee for the preservation of the historic values of the environment, has vast potential, but in the absence of implementing regulations, is an untapped resource.

Each of these advocacy initiatives is attainable and impactful, so there is every reason to hope.

On behalf of our board of directors, our members, and our staff, thank you for believing in preservation’s potential for all of Pennsylvania. I encourage you to expand your support of our work and be part of the change Pennsylvania needs.

Nathaniel Guest, Esq., Chairman

Dear members:

As Pennsylvania’s only statewide organization devoted to preservation, our office regularly receives inquiries about saving all sorts of things that are at risk from a lovely old iron fence to a former Masonic Hall in the center of town.

In 2017, it was the federal historic tax credit that was under threat. In Pennsylvania alone, between 2002-2016, the historic tax credit allowed developers to complete 613 projects, generated over $3.8 billion in development expenditures and more than 58,000 jobs, 33,789 of which were permanent, according to a report by the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

We put out a call to action, and our wonderful members joined with others all across the nation to urge our congressional representatives to save this valuable tool from being demolished in the tax reform process. Thank you so much for your support, effort, activism, and most of all, your belief in the power of preservation to create jobs, revitalize neighborhoods, and bring old buildings back to life. Together, we are a force to be reckoned with, which is why your membership is so important!

In 2018, we’ll focus our attentions on the state historic tax credit, which is scheduled to sunset in 2020. Across the U.S., 35 states have a state historic credit. After 16 years of advocacy efforts by Preservation Pennsylvania and the economic development community, the Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Tax Credit (PA HPTC) program was passed in 2012 as a companion program to the federal tax credit. To date, the state program has awarded tax credits to 61 projects in 15 counties and leveraged nearly $706 million in private investment and federal tax credits. This success shows the need to enhance the program. The current annual allocations are only $3 million, with the demand significantly higher.

Good economic tools to help in the rehabilitation of older and historic buildings is the most commonly asked-for technical assistance at Preservation Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office. With demonstrated success here and in many other states, it is imperative that the state’s tax credit be re-authorized and improved with additional funding.

We appreciate your ongoing support of our efforts with this important work.

Mindy Crawford, Executive Director

From the Chairman

Mindy Crawford, Executive Director

From the Executive Director
See how your membership dues and donation dollars made a difference in 2017!

A. Preservation Pennsylvania travels near and far to speak on preservation issues. Here, Mindy Crawford speaks at the 2017 Main Street Conference in Pittsburgh.

B. In 2017, we hosted special events for members and more, from Roy Smith’s talk about the transformation of West Chester’s old armory building into a new community center for the performing arts to a time-traveling trip aboard the Colebrookdale Railroad in Boyertown.

C. From our annual conference to local workshops (like this design guidelines session in Chalfont), we seek to empower citizens with tools they need to protect their communities.

D. We did important advocacy work in 2017 when tax reform threatened the federal historic tax credit. Many thanks to our members and others, who contacted their legislators to highlight how the tax credit has made a difference in Pennsylvania communities. Here, Mindy Crawford joins with Shelby Splain, Andrea MacDonald and Scott Doyle of the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office to visit Capitol Hill on Lobby Day and highlight the benefits of preservation policies.
2017 Statewide Conference on Heritage
Carlisle, Pennsylvania, June 14-16

Working with our planning partners (Cumberland County Historical Society, Dickinson College, the Cumberland Valley Visitors Bureau, the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission, and PennDOT), Preservation Pennsylvania hosted a three-day program of sessions, tours and talks. As part of our educational mission, we offered a free public event – “Carlisle Community Conversation About Preservation” – and opened the doors of the former Odd Fellows Hall to invite our conference attendees to share their ideas and expertise about how this lofty space – vacant since 1991 – might be restored and reactivated.

Topics ranged from using photogrammetry to document and rebuild sites to several sessions focused on community-based documentation or reuse planning. Attendees praised sessions on how to tell difficult stories, including the Carlisle Indian School, Underground Railroad history, African-American cemetery conservation, and LGBTQ history. Architectural overviews included the state’s post-World War II residential architecture and Pennsylvania’s iconic barns and the threats they face.

Each year, the conference provides a great opportunity to make new contacts and mingle with colleagues and friends. This year’s reception was held among the museum exhibits at the Cumberland County Historical Society, prompting conversations about past and present!
Pennsylvania At Risk

We announce Pennsylvania At Risk early in the year, as these special places become our work priorities for the months ahead. 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 funding and legislation that support 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 Share the Love campaign directly benefited these properties. Thank you to everyone who opened their hearts – and their checkbooks – in response to our outreach!

All of the properties remain a work in progress, except for the Yorktowne Hotel, marked as “Saved!” because it’s now a tax credit project that will carefully rehabilitate the exterior and interior.

- Abolition Hall, Corson/Hovenden Homestead, and Plymouth Meeting Historic District
  (Montgomery County)
  - Buck’s Tavern
    (Dauphin County)
  - Ekin House
    (Allegheny County)
  - Hoke House
    (York County)
  - Jeweler’s Row
    (Philadelphia County)
  - Kiddie Kloe’s Factory
    (Carbon County)
- Meadowbrook Farmstead
  (Chester County)
- Mifflin House
  (York County)
- Monessen Savings & Trust
  (Westmoreland County)
- Moon Lorn
  (Washington County)
- The Yorktowne Hotel
  (York County) SAVED!
We love encouraging people to get involved with At Risk places, whether that’s by donating to the annual Share the Love fundraiser or heart-bombing a local landmark.

Donations support ongoing legal representation in the fight to preserve Abolition Hall in Pennsylvania’s first National Register Historic District.

Funding from Preservation Pennsylvania helped emergency stabilization at the Kiddie Kloes factory.

Preservation Pennsylvania served as both an advocate and fiscal manager for these two At Risk sites and their fundraising efforts.

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The annual awards reception is a great time to meet and mingle with colleagues old and new!

First Lady Frances Wolf served as our special guest of honor. Here she greets student and archaeologist Katherine Peresolak, whose project at Carroll Cabin received a Preservation Planning award.

THIS YEAR’S HONOR AWARDS WENT TO

David Kahley (left) and Bryce Maretzki of The Progress Fund.

Nathaniel Guest (Board Chairman) and First Lady Frances Wolf flank James Brown V who accepted the Henry A. Jordan Award on behalf of his father, James Brown IV.

Shirley Hanson and Lori Salganicoff of the Chestnut Hill Conservancy accept the Chairman’s Award.

Congratulations to all the 2017 Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Awards recipients.
Our annual Pennsylvania Historic Preservation Awards ceremony is like the validating high five for a job well done that we all need from time to time in this challenging field.

HONOR AWARDS

F. Otto Haas Award for outstanding individual achievements in historic preservation:
The Progress Fund | Westmoreland County

Henry A. Jordan Award for outstanding historic preservation efforts at the local level:
James L. Brown IV | Philadelphia County

Chairman’s Award for demonstrated leadership in historic preservation:
Shirley Hanson and the Chestnut Hill Conservancy | Philadelphia County

SPECIAL FOCUS AWARDS

Ralph Modjeski Award for excellence in transportation design, preservation or archaeology:
Walnut Lane Bridge over Wissahickon Creek | Philadelphia County

Preservation Planning Awards
Carroll Cabin | Fayette County
Wilkinsburg Neighborhood Restoration | Allegheny County
Washington’s War Tent, Museum of the American Revolution | Philadelphia County

Public Impact Awards
Buddy’s Brews on Carson, formerly the Sankey Brick Company | Allegheny County
Uptown! Knauer Performing Arts Center, formerly the West Chester National Guard Armory | Chester County
The Millworks, formerly the Stokes Millworks | Dauphin County
Easton Public Market, formerly Rader’s Dry Goods | Northampton County

CONSTRUCTION PROJECT AWARDS

Dollar Bank | Allegheny County
Beaver Station Cultural and Event Center, formerly the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad Passenger Station | Beaver County
The Big Mill Apartments, formerly the Curtis and Jones Company Shoe Factory | Berks County
Tarbell House | Crawford County
Kiddie Wachter Architecture & Design, formerly the Dickson Tavern | Erie County
Governor George Wolf Building, formerly Easton High School | Northampton County
East Park Canoe House | Philadelphia County
Willow Grove Ave. Bridge over SEPTA’s Chestnut Hill West Line | Philadelphia County
York College Center for Community Engagement, formerly the Lafayette Club Building | York County

INITIATIVE AWARDS

Stewardship
Keim House | Berks County

Community Involvement
Conneaut Lake Town Hall, formerly the High Street Church | Crawford County
Musselman/Vesta Iron Furnace Center | Lancaster County

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Without you, our members and donors, our work wouldn’t be possible. Have a look at the charts showing our funding sources, and you’ll see what an important role you play in the well-being and mission of this organization. Your support of this organization helps create a people’s mandate in support of all the good that historic preservation does across the state. Thank you, on behalf of the board and staff, for your important contributions to preservation in Pennsylvania!

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### Revenue Sources

- Investment Giving: 18%
- Fee for Service: 16%
- Sponsors: 14%
- Contracts: 9%
- Grants: 2%
- Event Registrations: 8%
- Rental Income: 3%
- Merchandise: 0%
- Program Expenses: 75%
- Management Expenses: 21%
- Fundraising Expenses: 4%

### Total Expenses

- $293,931

### Total Support & Revenue

- $506,233