



PNJ PRESERVATION
NEW JERSEY



Annual Meeting Agenda

5:30pm Networking & Refreshments

6:30pm Welcome by President Paul Muir

6:40pm Welcome and Remarks by Mark Nonestied

6:45pm A Look at Somerset County by Josephine Taranto

7:00pm Organization Update

Refreshments and networking continue throughout the program



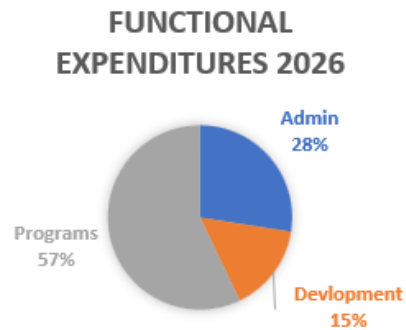








	Actuals 2026	Budget 2027
Income		
Contributed income	\$48,292.60	\$84,500.00
Program related sales & fees	\$3,688.06	\$20,800.00
Revenue from dues	\$10,890.30	\$10,000.00
Interest income	50.20	50.20
Uncategorized Income-refunds	200.00	200.00
Services	43,002.05	20,000.00
Total for Income	\$106,123.21	\$135,550.20
Expenditures		
Contract services	\$103,004.20	\$78,210.00
Non personnel expenses	\$13,065.39	\$23,005.00
Facility expenses	\$4,138.30	\$3,000.00
Conferences, conventions, meetings	3,950.00	3,940.00
Business Expense	\$2,013.08	\$2,000.00
Total for Expenditures	\$126,170.97	\$110,155.00
Net Operating Revenue	-\$20,047.76	\$25,395.20



Financial Update

- **Fiscal year total revenue** - \$106,123.21
- **Total expenses** - \$126,170.97
- **Increase net assets** - Net assets decreased by \$20,048 over the previous year.
- **Months Operating Cash** - The cash balance of **\$40,879** provides for 5.3 months of operating cash based on actual FY 2025-2026 expenses.

Marketing Update

- Marketing and Development was formally split, allowing the Development side of the committee to grow and expand the organization's mission and outreach.
- Full rollout of new branding and website.
- Increased brand recognition and visibility at events such as the *NJ History and Historic Preservation Conference*
- Increased engagement with regular **Preservation Bites**, widespread positive response to continued presence on social media. Weekly articles have allowed breaking preservation stories to remain fresh and current.
- Roll out of the impacts of the 10 Most videos expanded the organizations reach.

Development Update

- **Membership Growth** Steady increase in memberships driven by the July 2025 campaign and successful programs.
- **Enhanced Online Engagement** New website features for memberships, renewals, donations, and sponsorships.
- **Sponsorship Success** Increased sponsorships for the Annual Awards Dinner and 10 Most Announcement.
- **Annual Appeal** Raised **\$10,000+** through the 2025 year-end fundraising campaign.
- **CRM Migration** Selected *Donor Perfect* to improve membership management, fundraising, and communications while supporting future growth.

Advocacy & Lobbying Update

Federal Level

- Historic Preservation Fund
- Historic Tax Credit

State Level

- A3475 Family and Private Burial Grounds Preservation Act.
- S3545 Homeowners' Historic Property Reinvestment Act



2026 10 Most Endangered Program

- **1878 Barn**, Ringoes, Hunterdon County
- **Asbury Park Casino**, Asbury Park, Monmouth County
- **Cathedral House**, Newark, Essex County
- **Cooper House**, Hope, Warren County
- **Historic Roads of South Jersey** - Atlantic, Burlington, and Camden County
- **The Stacked Stone Rock Slide Barrier**, Knowlton Township, Warren County
- **Lord Stirling School**, Basking Ridge, Somerset County
- **Van Campen Homestead**, Hardwick Township, Warren County
- **Van Wagoner House**, Pennington, Mercer County
- **The Worden House**, Lacey Township, Ocean County



Programs & Events Update

Funded with support by:

- National Trust for Historic Preservation
- Business Sponsors
- Middlesex County Division of History & Historic Preservation
- New Jersey Historic Commission

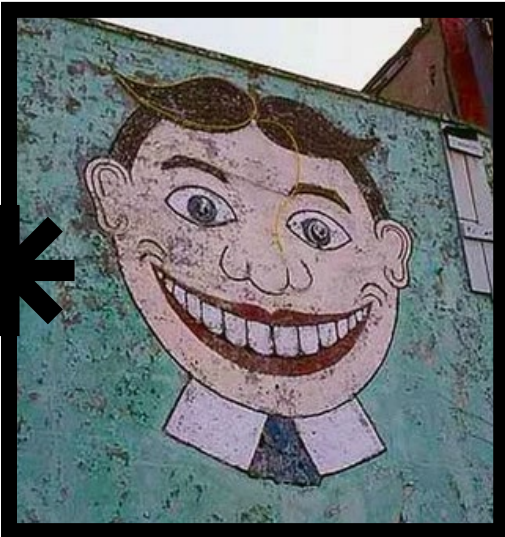


PROGRAMS OVERVIEW

- **Talks with Our Ten Most** – Quarterly virtual updates on endangered sites, sharing progress, challenges, and lessons learned
- **Q&A with PNJ** – Virtual interviews with preservation leaders discussing real projects and key issues
- **On Tour with PNJ** – Walking/bus tours highlighting historic districts and preservation best practices
- **Workshops** – Hands-on training and education for preservation professionals and the public



Program Samples



Talks with Our Ten Most Panel Discussion on Palace Amusement Artifacts (2024)

April 9, 2026
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Virtual



NextGen Preservation Tour & Network Event at Thompson Park Racing Stables

April 10, 2026
6:00pm - 8:30pm
Thompson Park, Monmouth County



Q&A with PNJ Using Drones to Document Historic Properties

May 7, 2026
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Virtual



Talks with Our Ten Most Panel Discussion on the Anderson Farm House: How Do We Move Forward When a Site Is Lost?

June 11, 2026
7:00pm - 8:00pm
Virtual



2025 New Jersey Historic Preservation Awards

Young Preservationist Award – *Thomas Sheridan*

Sarah P. Fiske Legacy & Leadership Award – *Nancy Zerbe*

Dr. Doris C. Carpenter Excellence Award – *Guy Weston of Timbuctoo Historical Society*

David H. Knights New Preservation Initiatives Award – *Restore Trenton Grant Program to Trenton Historical Society*

Historic Preservation Commission Award - *Maplewood Historic Preservation Commission*

Constance Greiff Writing Award - *A Home Renovator's Guide For Historic Ocean Grove*

Preservation Project Awards

- *Stickley Museum at Craftsman Farms*
- *Historic Racing Stable, Thompson Park*

Honorable Mentions

- *Walter Quint*
- *Leslie Frucht*
- *Oak Grove Cemetery Association*
- *Runyon Farmstead Development*
- *Cristobal Espinoza-Wulach - Public History Program at Middlesex County College*



HERITAGE TOURISM WORKSHOP SERIES

Preservation New Jersey is launching a new program series to help historic sites and communities become visitor-ready destinations. The initiative will promote heritage tourism, support sustainable preservation, and expand public access through education, events, and community engagement.



- » **Heritage Tourism 101: Foundations for Sustainable Sites**
- » **Telling Your Story: Interpretive Planning and Inclusive Narratives**
- » **Contemporary Technologies in Reconstructing Lost Architecture**
- » **Visitor Experience and Site Readiness**
- » **Collaborative Heritage Trails and Regional Linkages**
- » **Marketing, Promotion, and Public Awareness**
- » **Sustainable Operations and Community-Based Tourism**

ROAD TO REVOLUTION: MIDDLESEX COUNTY 250TH TOURS

Preservation New Jersey is hosting two upcoming bus tours in Middlesex County as part of the America 250 commemoration. Each tour will begin at **East Jersey Old Town Village** and guide participants to a variety of historic sites across the county.

These tours will highlight key locations connected to the 18th century offering insight into New Jersey's role in the nation's founding. Attendees will learn about local history, preservation efforts, and the significance of these sites today.



JULY 18, 2026 – SOLD OUT

SEPTEMBER 12, 2026



Upcoming at Preservation New Jersey

Roundtables, Workshops & Tours

August 22, 2026 @10:00am

Foundations for Sustainable Sites

September 12, 2026 @10:00am

Road to Revolution – 250th Tour of Middlesex County

September 26, 2026 @10:00am

Telling Your Story: Interpretive Planning and Inclusive Narratives

October 10, 2026 @10:00am

Visitor Experience and Site Readiness

October 24, 2026 @10:00am

Contemporary Technologies in Reconstructing Lost Architecture

November 7, 2026 @10:00am

Marketing, Promotion, and Public Awareness

November 17, 2026 @7:00pm

Collaborative Heritage Trails and Regional Linkages

December 6, 2026 @10:00am

Sustainable Operations and Community-Based Tourism

New Jersey Historic Preservation Awards Event

November 19, 2026 Perth Amboy

For full program listing visit:

www.preservationnj.org/programs





Administrative Update

- Strategic Plan review and updates made to realign goals
- **Staff Restructuring & Capacity Building** Expanded organizational capacity through strategic staff restructuring.
- Hiring **two part-time staff members** to support programs and operations.
- **New Endowment & Easement Program** Developing a new program to strengthen long-term preservation efforts and organizational sustainability.



Slate for Officers

Paul Muir / James Giresi - President
Mark Nonestied - Vice President
David Reading - Treasurer



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