



NJ Historic Trust Announces Grant Round and Applicant Workshops

TRENTON (March 24, 2008) -- The New Jersey Historic Trust is making Guidelines and Applications available for the eighth round of funding under the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund. This year's grant round will provide matching grants for historic preservation planning and capital preservation projects.

Potential applicants, professional consultants and project coordinators are encouraged to attend an applicant workshop on one of two dates this spring. On April 21, from 2-4:30 p.m., a workshop will be presented at Rowan University in Glassboro. This event will also be video-conferenced to Bergen Community College in Paramus and Cumberland County College in Vineland. On April 24, a second workshop will be presented at Church of the Epiphany in Orange, from 1-3:30 p.m. To register at any of the four sites, email njht@dca.state.nj.us or call (609) 984-0473.

In this grant round, applicants may apply for Historic Site Management Grants, which range from \$5,000 to \$50,000. The grants may be used to fund the preparation of plans and studies needed to improve site stewardship, maintenance and interpretation. Applicants may also apply for Capital Preservation Grants, which range from \$5,000 to \$750,000 and may fund the repair, restoration, rehabilitation and preservation of historic resources. All grants require matching funds, and applicants should read the *Grant Guidelines* for information on eligible activities and special initiatives for 2008.

Eligible properties are historic sites that are listed, or are eligible for listing, in the New Jersey or National Register of Historic Places. Eligible applicants are charitable non-profit organizations or units of county or municipal government.

A Declaration of Intent to Apply for funding must be submitted to the Historic Trust by May 8, 2008. Applications are due June 26, 2008. Applications, Guidelines and the Declaration of Intent to Apply form are available on the New Jersey Historic Trust's Web site at www.njht.org . To request additional information, call (609) 984-0473 or e-mail: njht@dca.state.nj.us .

The mission of the New Jersey Historic Trust is to advance historic preservation in New Jersey for the benefit of future generations through education, stewardship and financial investment programs that save our heritage and strengthen our communities.

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