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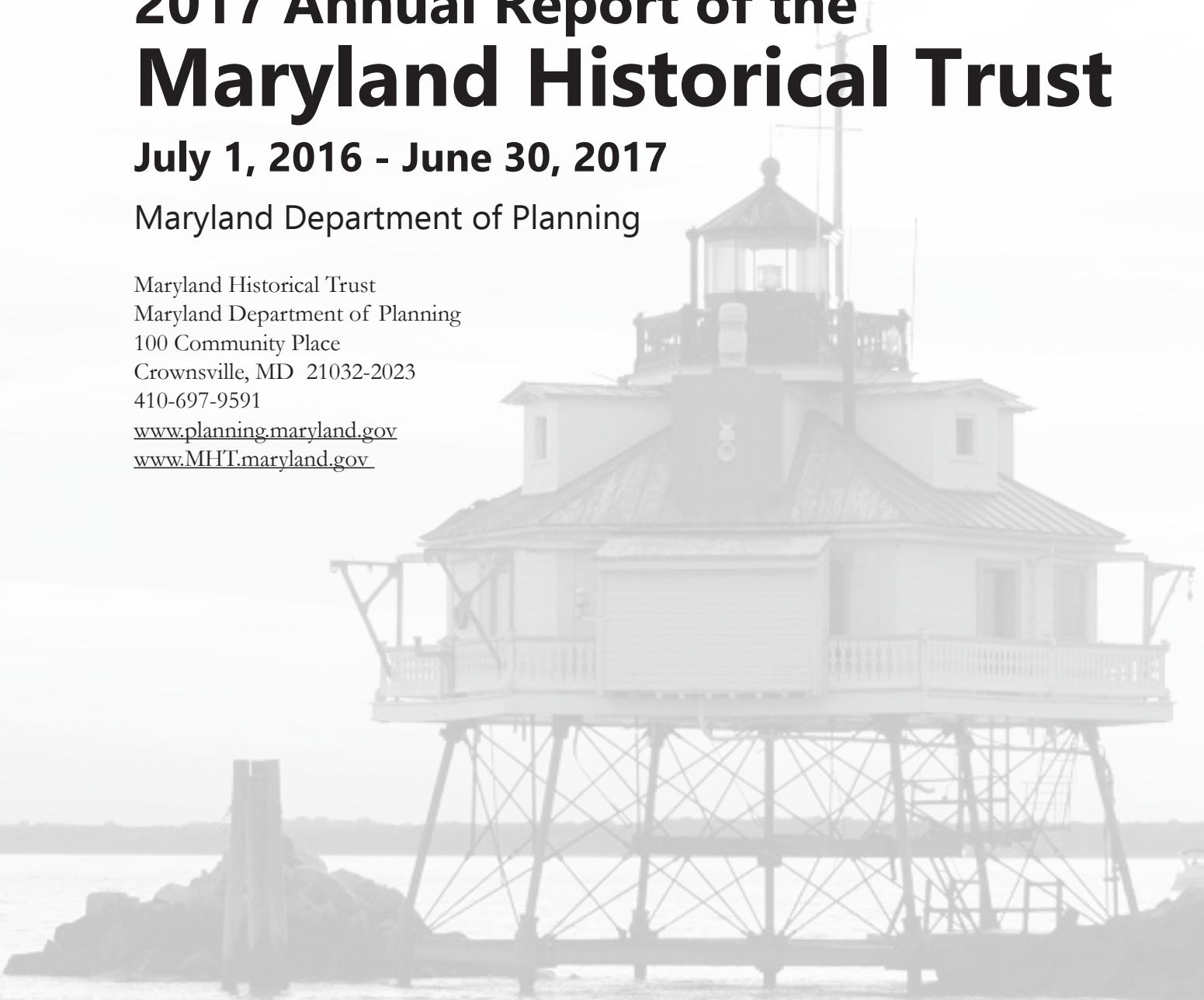




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The Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees

The Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) is governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees, including the Governor, the Senate President, and the House Speaker, or their designees, and 12 members appointed by the Governor. At least two trustees must be qualified with an advanced degree in archeology or a closely related field and shall have experience in the field of archeology. Of the trustees qualified in the field of archeology, at least one must have experience in the field of submerged archeology and at least one must have experience in the field of terrestrial archeology. The term of a member is four years.

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Who We Are and How We Work

Founded in 1961, MHT is the state agency dedicated to preserving and interpreting the legacy of Maryland's past. Led by Director and State Historic Preservation Officer Elizabeth Hughes, MHT is governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees. Operating within the Maryland Department of Planning in Crownsville, MHT serves as the State Historic Preservation Office, charged with implementing federal preservation programs at the state level.

The **Office of Planning, Education and Outreach** provides planning assistance for local governments and also partners with organizations and agencies to produce educational programming, including public archeology. This office offers grants for heritage tourism through the Maryland Heritage Areas program and for planning activities through the Certified Local Government program. The five-year statewide preservation plan is produced through this office.

The **Office of Research, Survey and Registration** handles the state's information on historic properties and archeological sites. This office supports new archeological and architectural surveys, maintains the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties and forwards nominations to the National Park Service's National Register of Historic Places. It also staffs the Governor's Commission on Maryland Military Monuments and the Historic Markers program, which works with the State Highway Administration to share stories of Maryland's past via roadside signs.

The **Office of Preservation Services** includes the Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit, African American Heritage Preservation, and Maritime Archeology programs. The office also reviews state and federal actions for impacts to historic and cultural resources and manages preservation easements held by MHT.

Located on 560 acres on the Patuxent River in Calvert County, the **Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum** offers events, tours, lectures, school visits, and workshops related to the site's historic and prehistoric heritage. Jefferson Patterson Park is also the home of the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory, a state-of-the-art facility dedicated to archeological conservation and research.



Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program

For the past 20 years, tax credits have played a key role in revitalizing Maryland's communities by supporting the rehabilitation and reuse of historic properties across the state. The Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program, which includes competitive commercial, small commercial, and residential tax credits, has helped restore more than 4,501 homeowner and 673 commercial historic structures, preserving buildings that contribute to the distinct character and economic vibrancy of Maryland's towns, cities, and rural areas. The Abell Foundation has estimated that each \$1 million invested in tax credits creates about 73 jobs, and that every dollar invested yields approximately \$8.53 in economic activity (The Abell Report, March 2009, Vol 22, Number 1).

Competitive Commercial

Each year, owners of income-producing properties can compete for a state income tax credit (capped at \$3 million) that is equal to 20 percent of eligible rehabilitation expenses for substantial rehabilitation projects. For the fiscal year (FY) 2017 (awarded in 2016), 14 applicants sought \$23,923,450 in tax credits for construction projects with a total estimated cost of \$125,347,300. MHT awarded more than \$9 million in tax credits for FY 2017, which is expected to leverage private investment of more than \$55 million in the projects described below.

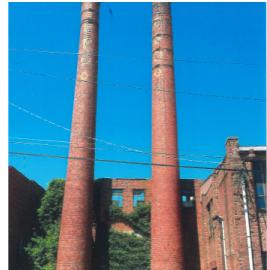
National Enameling & Stamping Co. – Light Street, Baltimore City (\$3,000,000 in tax credits awarded to Assani Investment, Inc.)



Constructed in 1887 for the Baltimore branch of the nation's largest tinware manufacturer, this complex produced a variety of tin products including decorative enameled and japanned wares. Since 1952, the property has largely been used for storage. The proposed renovations will convert this former industrial complex into rental residential use while providing unique housing opportunities through a partnership with the National Federation of the Blind to produce innovative designed units and amenities that address the needs of the visually impaired.

Phillips Packing Company – Plant F, Dorchester Avenue, Cambridge, Dorchester County

(\$3,000,000 in tax credits awarded to Cross Street Partners)



Constructed in the 1920s by Milbourne Bramble and used for a brief time as the Cambridge Furniture Company, this large factory complex was acquired by the Phillips Packing Company in 1930. Under Phillips ownership, the complex focused on canning tomatoes, leading to Cambridge's designation as the "tomato canning capital of the world." The company was also the largest producer of "c-rations" in the nation during World War I and World War II. The rehabilitation of the property will create a "Food and Farming Exchange," housing a range of food-related uses including a brewery and brew pub, kitchen business incubator, an oyster bar, and collaborative office space.

Auto Outing/Tulley's Dancing Academy – East North Avenue, Baltimore City
(\$1,045,000 in tax credits awarded to Jubilee Baltimore, Inc.)



Built in 1909 in the Tudor Revival style, this unique structure features the use of fireproof design with masonry and steel construction and decorative concrete "half-timbering." The property originally housed an early car dealership and repair facility on the lower floors, with a ballroom dancing school on the upper floor. From 1941 to 1992, the building hosted a series of restaurants and nightclubs, first for white audiences as the Celebrity Lounge and later catering to black audiences as Odell's, considered the birthplace of Baltimore Club Music. The renovated building will house performance spaces, supporting the artistic focus of other rehabilitation projects in the North Avenue corridor.

Peale's Baltimore Museum – North Holliday Street, Baltimore City
 (\$660,000 in tax credits awarded to Peale Center for Baltimore History and Architecture)



Built in 1814 to serve as the Municipal City Museum under the direction of painter Rembrandt Peale and later his brother, Rubens, this National Historic Landmark structure is believed to be the first purpose-built museum in America. By 1830, the building had been repurposed to house Baltimore City Hall and then, in 1875, converted to serve as the Number 1 Colored Primary School. By 1931, in need of significant repairs, the building was once again renovated to serve as a museum until its closure in 1997. The proposed renovations will restore the building for use as the Peale Center for Baltimore History & Architecture.

Noxzema Building – Falls Cliff Road, Baltimore City
 (\$543,284.79 in tax credits awarded to Washington Place Equities, LLC)



This manufacturing facility was constructed in a streamlined Moderne style between 1926 and 1950 to make George A. Bunting's "Miracle Cream of Baltimore," more commonly known as Noxzema. The proposed renovations will convert this complex into residential apartments and lofts that will include artist studios and live/work spaces.

Home of the Friendless – Druid Hill Lane, Baltimore City
 (\$460,000 in tax credits awarded to The AZ Group, LLC)



Constructed in 1870 in the Second Empire style, the Home of the Friendless provided a refuge for orphaned and deserted children. The Home served as an orphanage for 60 years, serving 100 to 200 children at a time within a three-building complex. By 1922, the institution moved out, and the building became a health center, then part of the Baltimore City Department of Housing. The building has since suffered from significant neglect and fire damage. The proposed renovations will convert this endangered site to residential live/work spaces for artists.

302-304 Park Row – Park Row, Chestertown, Kent County
(\$210,000 in tax credits awarded to Park Row Partners, LLC)



This two-story stucco building was constructed in 1928 to serve as a physician's office and residence. Three separate entrance doors offer evidence of the use, with one leading to the main office (with private stairs to the doctor's residence) and two additional entrances, leading to separate waiting rooms for patients segregated by race under Jim Crow practices. The proposed project will require extensive renovations to return to a mixed residential and office use.

Ramocciotti/Professional Arts Building – Public Square, Hagerstown, Washington County

(\$190,560 in tax credits awarded to Professional Arts Building, LLC)



Constructed in 1937, this six story Art Deco landmark features a remarkably intact storefront and interior floor plans, as well as facades comprised of soaring crenelated pilasters, cast concrete decorative panels, and original metal windows. This project will rehabilitate the historic plan and design of the building, which will once again serve as an office building with first floor retail or commercial space.

Small Commercial

In 2014, Maryland expanded the existing commercial tax credit to include a new \$4 million small commercial tax credit for modest rehabilitation projects. In FY 2017, the Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program approved 14 proposed Small Commercial Tax Credit projects worth \$450,310.20 in credits in counties across the state.

Residential

In Maryland, homeowners can earn a state income tax credit equal to 20 percent of qualified rehabilitation expenses for projects costing \$5,000 or more. In FY 2017, the Maryland Heritage Structure Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program approved 184 proposed Homeowner Tax Credit projects worth an estimated \$1,938,395.80 in tax credits in counties across the state.

Success Story

10 Light Street, Baltimore

With its majestic Art Deco architecture and prominent copper and gold mansard roof, the Baltimore Trust Building is one of the city's most iconic buildings. First completed in 1929, the 34-story building served for 85 years as a bank and office before Metropolitan Baltimore, LLC, purchased and began to adapt it for mixed use following federal preservation standards. The exterior of the building was cleaned and preserved in its original condition, maintaining the many carved Romanesque details that adorn the facades. Historic details and features, including the original mosaic tiled flooring by Hildreth Meiere, decorative bronze doors, ironwork by Samuel Yellin, and murals by Baltimore artists, were cleaned and retained, and the original mail chute that extends through the entire height of the building was incorporated into the corridor design on each floor. Today, with 419 market rate apartments, amenity spaces, and retail, Ten Light Street continues to serve as a historic beacon and as a catalyst to spur increased urban redevelopment for the City of Baltimore. Ten Light Street has won many accolades, including a 2017 Maryland Preservation Award.





Maryland Heritage Areas Program

Governed by the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority and administered by MHT, the Maryland Heritage Areas Program provides targeted financial and technical assistance within thirteen locally designated Heritage Areas, each of which represents a unique aspect of Maryland's historic and cultural character. In Heritage Areas, non-profits, governments, agencies, local business, and citizens work together to preserve the best of Maryland's historic sites and towns, unspoiled natural landscapes, and enduring traditions.

In FY 2017, 125 grant applications were submitted, totaling \$5,349,580 in requests for heritage tourism projects and activities statewide. The Maryland Heritage Areas Authority awarded \$2,699,532 to 52 projects that foster economic development through heritage tourism, leveraging \$10,141,144 in non-State matching support.

County	Organization Name	Project Title	Grant Amount
Allegany	Allegany Arts Council, Inc.	Canal Place Heritage Mural	\$13,850
Allegany	Canal Place Preservation & Development Authority	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Allegany	Mayor and City Council of Cumberland	Canal Place Heritage Area Partnership Programming (FY 2017)	\$10,800
Anne Arundel	Annapolis Maritime Museum, Inc.	AMM's Exhibit "White Gold: Fishing and Farming the Maryland Oyster" - Planning	\$25,000
Anne Arundel	Annapolis, London Town and South County Heritage Area, Inc.	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Anne Arundel	Annapolis, London Town and South County Heritage Area, Inc.	FY 2017 Marketing Grant	\$25,000
Anne Arundel	Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Inc.	Improved Public Access for the Arts- Exterior Doors and Entranceways	\$80,000

County	Organization Name	Project Title	Grant Amount
Anne Arundel	Smithsonian Environmental Research Center	Sellman House Rehabilitation for Visitor Orientation Center	\$80,000
Baltimore City	B & O Railroad Museum, Inc.	The Great Railroad Strike of 1877	\$20,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Chesapeake Bay Outward Bound School	Rehabilitation and Preservation of the Orianda Mansion	\$80,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Heritage Area Association, Inc.	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Baltimore City	Baltimore Heritage Area Association, Inc.	Public Programming for Maryland Fleet Week & Blue Angels 2016	\$25,340
Baltimore City	Baltimore Museum of Industry	Repair & Preservation of the Historic Crane at the BMI	\$55,000
Baltimore City	The Johns Hopkins University	Enslaved at Homewood	\$20,000
Baltimore City	Peale Center for Baltimore History and Architecture	Accessibility Renovations for America's Oldest Purpose-Built Museum Building	\$50,000
Baltimore County	Patapsco Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Calvert	Calvert Nature Society, Inc.	Protecting Battle Creek Cypress Swamp Sanctuary; Preserving a Cypress Barn	\$80,000

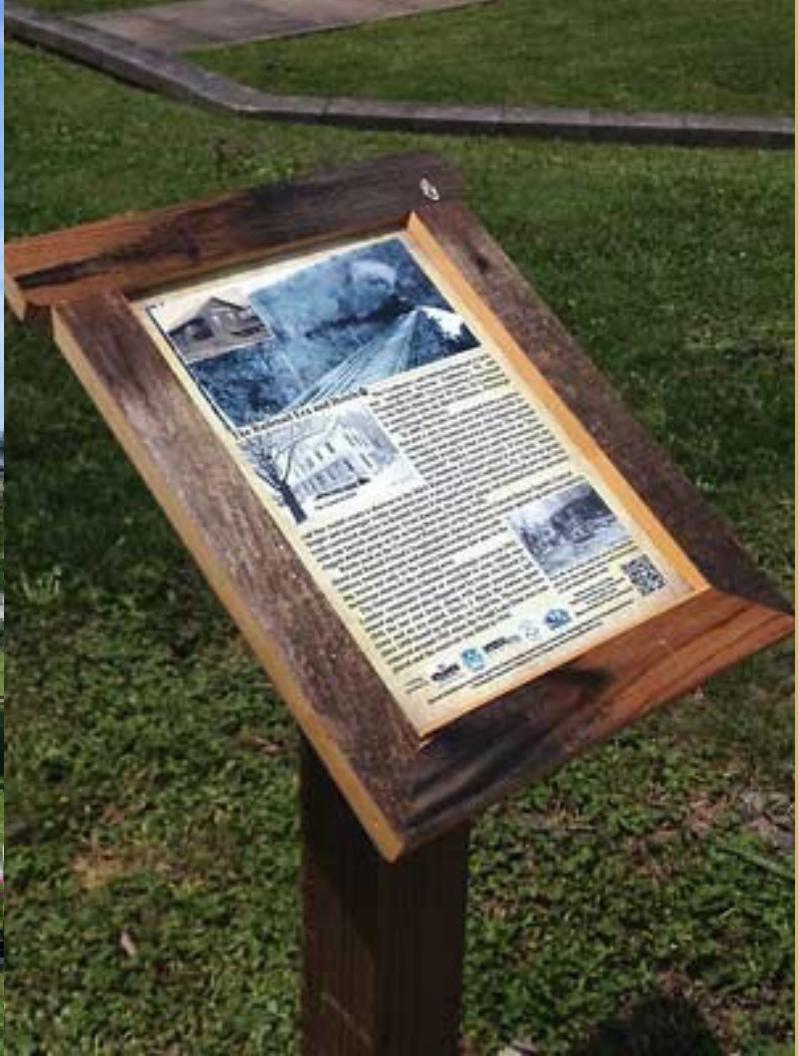
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Calvert	Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$56,000
Caroline	Eastern Shore Heritage Area, Inc.	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$42,683
Carroll	Carroll County Farm Museum	“Stinking Motherwort”: Maryland’s Million Dollar Wormseed Industry	\$27,000
Carroll	Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Cecil	Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenway, Inc.	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Dorchester	Friends of Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge, Inc.	BNWR Paddling Trails Kiosks and Signage along the Blackwater River	\$5,000
Dorchester	Heart of Chesapeake Country Heritage Area	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$98,500
Dorchester	Maryland Office of Tourism Development	Harriet Tubman Byway Driving Tour Components: Reprinted, Edited, Re-recorded	\$50,000
Dorchester	Department of Natural Resources - Maryland Park Service	Programmatic Support for Grand Opening - Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad State Park and Visitor Center	\$35,000
Frederick	Friends of Cunningham Falls State Park and Gambrill State Park, Inc.	Catoctin Furnace Iron Master House Ruins Stabilization Phase Two	\$5,000

County	Organization Name	Project Title	Grant Amount
Frederick	Main Street Middletown MD, Inc.	Revealing Middletown's History: The 250th Commemoration of our Founding	\$10,000
Garrett	Department of Natural Resources - Forest Service	Visitation and Economics of Recreation/Tourism in Western Maryland State Forests	\$20,079
Garrett	Town of Friendsville	Friendsville Interactive Historical Walking Tour & Historical Tour Website	\$14,279
Garrett	Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, Inc.	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Garrett	Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, Inc.	FY 2017 Marketing Grant	\$15,240
Garrett	Garrett County Government	Meadow Mountain Trail-Heritage Phase 2	\$80,000
Harford	Community Projects of Havre de Grace, Inc. Opera House Foundation Committee	Havre de Grace Opera House Renovation - Phase 2	\$80,000
Harford	Steppingstone Museum Association, Inc.	Historic Land of Promise Farm Restoration and Access Phase II	\$15,000
Howard	The Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, Inc.	Ellicott City Stream Restoration Phase I	\$49,808
Kent	Town of Chestertown	Chestertown Marina Interpretive Center - Phase I	\$80,000

County	Organization Name	Project Title	Grant Amount
Montgomery	Heritage Tourism Alliance of Montgomery County	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Montgomery	National Capital Historical Museum of Transportation, Inc. DBA: National Capital Trolley Museum	Restoration of Capital Traction Company 27	\$25,000
Montgomery	Sandy Spring Museum	Wayfinding Signage at the Sandy Spring Museum	\$7,050
Montgomery	Visit Montgomery	FY 2017 Marketing Grant	\$50,000
Montgomery	Anacostia Trails Heritage Area, Inc.	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$100,000
Prince George's	Friends of the Greenbelt Museum	Establishment of Greenbelt Visitor and Education Center	\$50,000
Prince George's	Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission	College Park Aviation Campus Exterior Interpretation & Wayfinding	\$14,400
Somerset	Lower Eastern Shore Heritage Committee, Inc.	FY 2017 Management Grant	\$71,275
Somerset	Skipjack Heritage, Inc.	Development of the Skipjack Museum and Heritage Center	\$72,045
St. Mary's	Historic St. Mary's City	New Orientation Video for Historic St. Mary's City	\$8,750
Talbot	The Avalon Foundation, Inc.	Avalon Theatre Building Renaissance	\$60,000
Talbot	Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum	Small Craft Heritage Center	Declined by Applicant

County	Organization Name	Project Title	Grant Amount
Talbot	Talbot County Government	The Hill Community Project	\$50,000
Worcester	Delmarva Discovery Center & Museum, Inc.	Touch Tank Exhibit	\$48,150
Worcester	Rackliffe House Trust, Inc.	Rackliffe House Improvements to Grounds and Visitor Amenities	\$11,323





Success Story

Heritage Areas Expand Access to Funding and Support throughout the State

As programs evolve and new information about local and regional history becomes available, Maryland's Heritage Areas update their geographic boundaries. These changes help protect the most important properties and convey the stories important to the regions. In FY 2017, the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area expanded to include portions of Laurel, Bowie, Cheverly, and Glenn Dale (Prince George's County). The Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area expanded to include the towns of Clear Spring, Keedysville, and Funkstown (Washington County). The Lower Eastern Shore Heritage Area expanded to include the Village of Allen (Wicomico County). All of these expansions will make financial benefits and technical assistance available to new heritage tourism resources across the state.



African American Heritage Preservation Program

Created in 2010 and reauthorized as a permanent program in 2015 by the Maryland General Assembly, the African American Heritage Preservation Program (AAHPP) is administered by MHT in partnership with the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture (MCAAHC). The program encourages the identification and preservation of buildings, sites, and communities of historical and cultural importance to the African American experience in Maryland.

In December 2016, Lieutenant Governor Boyd Rutherford hosted an event at the State House for the FY 2017 AAHPP grant awards. The program received thirty-seven eligible applications for FY 2017 funding, with a total funding request of approximately \$3,151,000 from 15 counties and Baltimore City. The majority of funding requested was for rehabilitation, with the remainder for acquisition, predevelopment or new construction costs. The December 2016 event celebrated the twelve grant awardees and their projects, ranging from a \$5,000 grant to stabilize ruins within the Catoctin Furnace National Register Historic District in Frederick County to a \$100,000 grant to continue the rehabilitation of the former Pomonkey High School in Charles County. The full list of projects can be found on the following pages.

Following the announcement in February 2017 of applications and program guidelines for FY 2018 funding, MHT and MCAAHC held six workshops for potential applicants in locations across the state. Approximately 140 people attended the workshops, including one at Union Baptist Church in Baltimore City, where attendees had an opportunity to tour the archive space in the church undercroft, completed using AAHPP funding.



County	Applicant	Project	Awarded
Allegany	Jane Gates Heritage House, Inc.	Jane Gates House	\$100,000
Anne Arundel	Community Preservation and Development Corporation	The Wiley H. Bates Legacy Center/Wiley H. Bates High School	\$100,000
Baltimore City	National Trust for Historic Preservation in the United States	Morgan State University: Carnegie Hall, University Memorial Chapel, and Holmes Hall	\$100,000
Caroline	Ross A.M.E. Church	Denton Colored School	\$100,000
Charles	Pomonkey High School Alumni Association, Inc	Old Pomonkey High School	\$100,000
Frederick	Friends of Cunningham Falls State Park and Gambrill State Park, Inc.	Catoctin Furnace Iron Master's House Ruins	\$5,000
Harford	The Hosanna Community House, Inc.	McComas Institute	\$100,000
Montgomery	Mutual Memorial Cemetery Foundation of Sandy Spring, Inc.	Mutual Memorial Cemetery	\$78,000
Prince George's	Hyattsville Community Development Corporation	Sis's Tavern / Baby Dee's	\$100,000
Talbot	Bethel A.M.E. Church, Inc.	Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church	\$50,000
Talbot	Historic Easton, Inc.	Asbury M.E. Church	\$100,000
Somerset	John Wesley Community Association, Inc.	John Wesley M.E. Church	\$67,000



Governor's Day of
Service at the Brome
Plantation Slave
Quarter, Historic St.
Mary's City

Success Story

The George Rice House and Outbuildings at Biscoe Gray Heritage Farm

Managed by the Calvert County Natural Resources Division, Biscoe Gray Heritage Farm is an approximately 200-acre park, which successfully interprets the site's many layers of human history and habitation from prehistoric times through the twentieth century. In FY 2013, an AAHPP grant helped the county begin stabilization of the George Rice House and its outbuildings, constructed between 1915 and 1938 by George Rice, an African American farmer whose story is an important part of the park's agricultural history. The project is also utilizing funds from the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority to improve public access and to improve informational and interpretive signage. Ultimately, the house is intended to serve as a residence for a caretaker, who will further the interpretation of the site as a working farm with livestock.



Architectural Research and Survey

Through architectural research and survey, MHT helps identify important historic properties throughout the state and develop a detailed record of their past and present appearance, history, and significance. This work supports and facilitates preservation planning, stewardship, and interpretation of historic sites throughout the state. In FY 2017, MHT added 103 standing structures and survey districts, as well as 183 updates (totaling over 7,539 acres) to the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties, a repository of information on districts, sights, buildings, structures, and objects of known or potential value to the prehistory and history of the State of Maryland.

Architectural Research and Survey Grants. In FY 2017, MHT staff closed out two of six ongoing projects supported through the National Park Service's Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief Fund: archeology and masonry stabilization of the Hessian Barracks in Frederick and a historic structures report for the John Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church and Cemetery in Somerset County. The church (photo below) stands on the most prominent African American site on Deal Island, a centerpiece for a freed black community established in the early- to mid-19th century. Arnold Wallace, an emancipated slave who began purchasing land at the southern end of the island in 1834, helped form the congregation and the surrounding community. Constructed in 1914, the current church is in poor condition due to structural issues and repeated water infiltration. The historic structures report explores the significance of this early African American site and provides recommendations for the rehabilitation of the church and its surrounding cemetery, much of which is funded under ongoing AAHPP grants. It also outlines potential uses for the building, including a regional cultural and community center that also interprets the rich African American history of the island.

In FY 2017, MHT began preparations for a new round of the Non-Capital Historic Preservation Grant Program, which has not been funded since 2012. This work included revising the grant application and guidelines, training staff on grants software and holding two grants workshops.

John Wesley Church and Cemetery, Deal Island. Photo by Paul Touart, 2017.

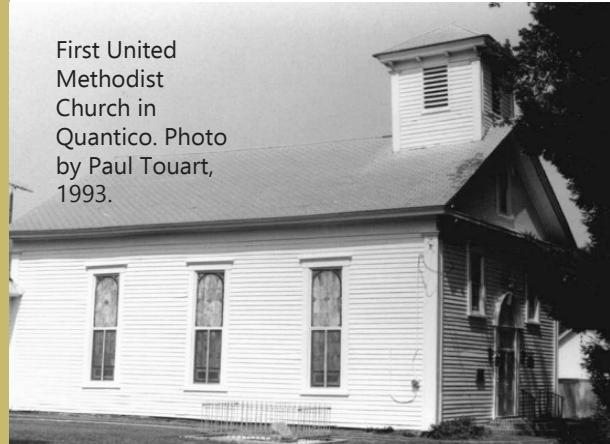


Supporting Local Efforts. In addition to outreach to county preservation planners, staff conducted site visits to assist property owners and preservation partners on projects, including: Port Deposit (Cecil County); Melwood Park (Prince George's County); Medicine Hill (Dorchester County); Blakeford (Queen Anne's County); Deep Water Point (Talbot County); and the Carroll, Brice, John Shaw, Hammond-Harwood, and Chase-Lloyd Houses (Annapolis). As part of this work, staff provided guidance and expertise on major restoration and reconstruction projects, including the First United Methodist Church in Quantico (Wicomico County, photo below). At Quantico, staff worked closely with local residents to document the c. 1820 Greek Revival-style building, which faced possible demolition. Staff performed a conditions assessment, completed measured drawings, and conducted an oral history interview with Reverend Joe Lynch, who served as a lay preacher at the church in the 1940s and 1950s, when Jim Crow laws were still in effect and African Americans were segregated in the upper gallery at the back of the church. Rev. Lynch recalled the Quantico church as a site of special event and celebrations, such as the Strawberry Festival and Easter and Christmas pageants, that brought the community together. MHT continues to work with the community to ensure a positive outcome for this building.

National Register of Historic Places. In FY 2017, the National Park Service added St. Brigid's School and Convent and the Remington Historic District (both in Baltimore City) to the National Register of Historic Places. As contributing resources within these listings, 1,207 Maryland properties are afforded the benefits and protections of National Register designation, which include eligibility for preservation incentive programs, such as tax credits.

The National Park Service also designated Schifferstadt (Frederick County) as a National Historic Landmark, the highest level of historical designation within the federal historic preservation program. National Historic Landmark status is reserved for properties that possess exceptional value or quality in illustrating or interpreting the heritage of the United States. Schifferstadt is the 74th Maryland property to be so recognized.

First United Methodist Church in Quantico. Photo by Paul Touart, 1993.



First United Methodist Church in Quantico with associated parsonage.



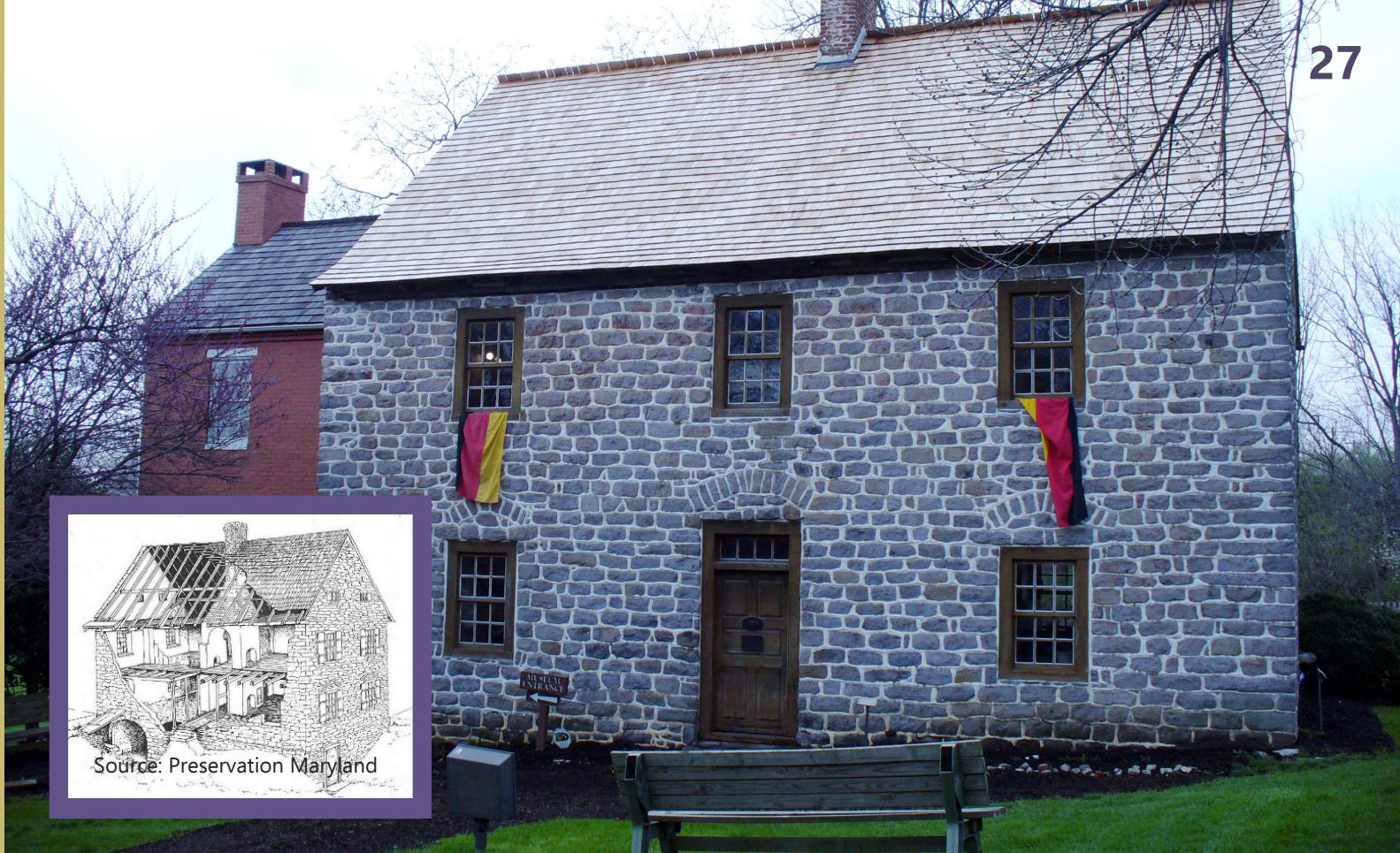
Success Stories

Schifferstadt

Constructed circa 1758, Schifferstadt is nationally significant as an excellent example of a Colonial era, German-Georgian house type. The original large stone house combines exterior elements of the Georgian style with many Germanic features on the interior, including the heating plan, room arrangement, and construction techniques. A few of the interior details that have a strong German identity include the five-plate stove, central wishbone chimney, vaulted cellar, and distinctive timber framing and roof truss system. These architectural features are both unusual and intact, making Schifferstadt an outstanding contribution to our knowledge of early American building practices and the influence of German traditions within a pioneering environment. Frederick County Landmarks Foundation operates Schifferstadt as a museum for the public to experience and enjoy this important part of Maryland's history.

Remington Historic District

Located east of the Jones Falls and north of North Avenue in north central Baltimore, the Remington historic district covers approximately thirty blocks, primarily characterized by two and three-story brick rowhouses reflecting building forms and stylistic influences of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The earliest residents in the Historic District were Irish and Italian immigrants. Rowhouse development began in the early 1880s to provide housing for railroad men, quarrymen, and factory workers. After World War I, the opening of streetcar lines brought white-collar workers to the district. The National Register nomination, which was sparked by the community, will help facilitate reinvestment and revitalization by allowing designated properties to take advantage of financial incentives, including rehabilitation tax credits.



Terrestrial Archeological Research and Survey

Through archeological research and survey, MHT helps identify and document important historic and prehistoric sites throughout the state. In FY 2017, MHT added 160 terrestrial archeological sites, as well as 113 updates, to the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties. One hundred twelve archeological survey reports were accessioned into the Library, covering 3,792 acres.

Archeological Research and Survey Activities. With support from the National Park Service under the Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief Fund, staff administered grants for archeological studies at five sites in Anne Arundel County that suffered damage and are vulnerable to destruction by future storms. During FY 2017, staff concluded monitoring of a National Park Service Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief grant awarded to the Archeological Society of Maryland. The project examined the degree to which coastal impacts had affected three sites in three counties and created a model for private-public partnerships to effectively assess and monitor archeological sites endangered by natural hazards.

Archeological Synthesis Database. Although MHT makes archeological site survey information available to qualified archeologists through its online Medusa application (p. 39), rich information associated with these sites is spread out in archeological reports, compiled and submitted over time. Through the online Archeological Synthesis Database, researchers can access synopsis reports and aggregate data tables that can be easily searched and organized. The project has, to date, produced a searchable database of nearly 1,250 archeological sites (<https://mht.maryland.gov/secure/synthesis/>).

In addition to researchers and consultants, the database enables MHT staff to respond to public inquiries and requests in a matter of minutes, rather than having to conduct several hours or days of library research. The synthesized data has also helped to identify information gaps for future investigations and provided readily accessible comparative data to more fully inform National Register evaluations, as well as state and federal project review (p. 46). For example, in FY 2017, MHT Project Review and Compliance staff turned to the database when reviewing a proposed 3-acre park along the Potomac River in Frederick County. Historic maps and land records indicated that part of a 19th century town had once stood on the property, but it was anticipated that the area had a low potential for significant archeological resources given recurring flood events, erosion, and the demolition of the 19th century structures. The reviewing MHT archeologist, however, consulted the database and quickly accessed a comprehensive overview of a series

of archeological investigations that had been conducted on an adjacent property. These investigations revealed that many archeological deposits – including an unmarked portion of a 19th century cemetery – did, in fact, remain intact. Prior to the Synthesis Project, this review would have taken a full 1-2 days to complete, but the database enabled staff to access the information in a matter of minutes and complete their review much more effectively.

Terrestrial Research Permits. Staff assisted five State agencies by issuing eight terrestrial archeology permits between July 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017 for investigations on lands they administer.

Success Story

Excavations at the Lower Brambly Archeological Site

Is the Lower Brambly archeological site in St. Mary's County the same place mapped by John Smith in 1608 as Secowocomoco, a major Indian town? Archeologists from St. Mary's College of Maryland, supported by MHT archeology staff, conducted shovel test pit survey throughout the winter of 2016 into early spring of 2017. Among the artifacts recovered were several "high status" objects, including copper artifacts and an exotic cannel coal bead. These findings, along with the site's location with its commanding views of both the Wicomico and Potomac rivers, has allowed the investigators to conclude that Lower Brambly may in fact be the town of Secowocomoco.



Lower Brambly archeological site

Maritime Archeological Research and Survey

Created in 1988, the Maryland Maritime Archeology Program searches for, inventories, and manages the State's submerged historic properties, including significant historic shipwreck remains and a diverse range of inundated prehistoric and historic archeological sites and structures. Projects range from sunken small boats, ships, and the remains of waterfront facilities, to prehistoric camps and villages, to historic domestic and industrial sites. Over time, ground subsidence and sea-level rise have submerged many of these sites and structures.

Archeological Research and Survey Activities. In collaboration with MHT's terrestrial archeologists, the Maryland Maritime Archeology Program continued survey of areas within and adjacent to Janes Island State Park in Somerset County. The ongoing research, supported by a grant from the National Park Service's Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief Fund and in-kind contributions by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, involves inventory and assessment of impacts to archeological sites caused by erosion and storm damage. MHT volunteers Lauren Christian and Bill Utley provided assistance during the July 2016 and April 2017 field sessions at Janes Island State Park. In addition, program staff cooperated with the Institute of Maritime History to undertake a survey in the Potomac River, seeking remains of an 18th-century shipyard.

Grants. Staff members oversaw completion of two National Park Service Maritime Heritage Grants. One is still underway. Staff reviewed six new grant applications for the National Park Service, as well as Ocean Exploration and Research grant applications for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Maritime Research Permits. One permit granted during FY 2016 expired, and no renewal requests or new permit applications were received during FY 2017.

Education and Outreach. The Maryland Maritime Archeology Program provided more than 15 presentations and lectures on various historical and archeological topics statewide, such as historic preservation law, ship architecture, and the Battle of Kedges Strait. Staff also contributed to a Preservation Maryland podcast and worked with PBS and the College of Southern Maryland to offer two free public film nights previewing six films related to World War I from the *American Experience* series. In addition to co-chairing the Government Maritime Managers' Meeting, the state maritime archeologist participates in the Advisory Council for Underwater Archaeology and the World War I Networking Group and was invited by NOAA to speak at the annual meeting of the Group's Federal Advisory

Committee.

Staff attended and provided content for the public program offered annually by the Maritime Archaeological and Historical Society, as well as the Society for Historical Archaeology Conference. Additionally, staff have been involved in planning for a full-scale exercise in the U.S. Coast Guard's national Preparedness for Response Exercise Program, scheduled for September 2017. Staff will address the protection and preservation of submerged archaeological historic properties and those impacted in the response activities for the scenario.



Success Story

Raising Visibility for the Mallows Bay Historic District

To help raise awareness and promote the designation of the Mallows Bay Historic District, staff members assisted with filming for the U.K. series *Mysteries of the Abandoned*, which includes Mallows Bay, and participated in a live ABC news webcast. Staff also organized and participated in guided paddling tours for representatives from Congress, the U.S. Coast Guard, college-level students, and the general public through groups like the Potomac Riverkeeper's *Riverpalooza* Program. To reach elementary and high school students, staff joined school programs and worked with Charles County to offer a *DiscoverQuest* Weekend in April, commemorating the centenary of World War I. Lectures and poster-promotions were provided to historical societies in Maryland and Virginia, the Maryland Veterans Museum at Patriot Park, as well as public libraries and other venues. The area includes more than 100 wooden steamships, remnants of the civilian U. S. Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation established on April 2, 1917 to carry men, arms, and equipment when America entered World War I.





Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory

The Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory (MAC Lab) at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum (JPPM) houses the state's archeological collection, which includes over eight million objects collected over the past 100 years.

Research and Conservation. In FY2017, staff conserved maritime artifacts from clients throughout the United States, including timbers from the *Black Diamond*, a 19th century coal barge that sank in Ohio; timbers from an 18th century shipwreck from the Nanticoke River; and a ship's bell from the battleship *USS Delaware*. In addition to shipwrecks, the MAC Lab helped conserve 13 cannon for the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia and solder dot tin cans from Deadwood, South Dakota. Canned food was relatively new at the end of the 19th century, and the Deadwood cans were unusual in that they still retained their colorful paper labels for corn and tomatoes. Staff also conserved a felted wool stovepipe hat and wooden bottle molds from the I-95 project in Philadelphia, and cleaned and documented all of the Bald Friar petroglyphs, originally located along the Susquehanna River.

Three MAC Lab staff members have written and submitted chapters for *New Life for Old Collections*, a new volume edited by Rebecca Allen and Ben Ford, to be published by the University of Nebraska Press. Online, staff provided new material on bone-handled toothbrushes for the *Diagnostic Artifacts in Maryland* website. This website was created in 2002 to provide an overview of some of the most significant types of datable artifacts recovered from archeological sites in Maryland. *Diagnostic Artifacts* is now used by archeologists and the public all over the world, and staff add new information on a regular basis.

Public Programs. Staff provided tours to 391 people and conducted outreach and activities in local schools. As part of the JPPM's Public Archaeology Program, 178 people contributed over 670 hours digging at the Smith's St. Leonard site or processing artifacts in the lab. In the spring of 2017, the MAC Lab held two two-day workshops focused on artifact identification and field conservation strategies, which were open to any practicing professionals and graduate students in the field of archeology. Both workshops reached their full enrollment of twenty participants.



Success Story

Maryland Unearthed: A Guide to Archaeological Collections at the MAC Lab

Through a grant funded by Maryland State Highway Administration, staff completed a searchable database of the MAC Lab's collections entitled *Maryland Unearthed: A Guide to Archaeological Collections at the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory* (<http://jefpat.org/mdunearth/>). The primary audience for this database includes archeologists and historians interested in learning more about the State's archeological collections, which are available for study and research.



Cultural Resource Information: Research on Site and Online

While many cultural resource professionals, such as architectural historians and archeologists, continue to visit MHT's Library in Crownsville each year to research historic and cultural properties, MHT has taken substantial steps to improve and enhance online access to this data.

Medusa, the State's Cultural Resource Information System. In May 2017 MHT launched an interactive, map-based version of Medusa, the State's cultural resource information system, that allows users to explore historic and cultural properties via a map-based interface. By clicking on properties on the map, Medusa provides access to the State's data on more than 45,000 known architectural and 15,000 known archeological resources. Map-based searches increase efficiency for researchers, businesses, and government agencies, while improving access to historic property information sought by students and the interested public. Take a tour of the site at mht.maryland.gov/secure/medusa/.

Data Development. Two generous grants from the Maryland State Highway Administration helped bring MHT's data online and will continue to help create more and better search capabilities. Extensive work has taken place to document and link architectural resources within Maryland's many historic districts, and work will soon begin to extract data from existing records to permit searching of architectural resources by construction date, style, and historic function. When completed, this will open more opportunities for research and study of Maryland's rich history.

GIS and Databases. MHT continues to digitize the locations of properties and sites and develop effective database solutions to manage them. The program also works extensively with other agencies to ensure consistency and completeness.

Maryland Historical Trust Library. The Library holds books, journals, vertical files, inventory forms, and photographs for all inventoried architectural and archeological sites, architectural drawings, more than 4500 site-specific reports (some of which have been digitized), oral history interviews (on tape and in written form), U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) quads showing locations of architectural and archeological sites, and copies of historic maps. As in previous years, feedback was highly positive in terms of customer service, availability of needed information, ease of scheduling appointments, and knowledge of staff when responding to reference requests.

Success Story: Medusa Online

With the launch of the interactive map-based Medusa tool, the public can now find historic property information quickly and easily, whenever and wherever they want. An important customer service innovation, the system revolutionizes the presentation of cultural resource information in Maryland and conforms to the state's policy that "open data be machine readable and released to the public in ways that make the data easy to find." Medusa allows digital access to this information in a variety of ways with links to database information, forms, and photographs. Anyone can view an area of interest and access Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties forms, National Register nominations, determinations of National Register eligibility, and detailed property reports. Qualified consultants and other users can view a proposed project area and see all the known architectural and archeological resources (archeological sites are restricted from general users to protect the sites' integrity). Users may search properties by name or inventory number, view their location on a map and download any associated forms and photographs.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST **MEDUSA** Maryland's Cultural Resource Information System [Log In](#) [Go to Text-Based Medusa](#)

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Welcome

Welcome to Medusa, the Maryland Historical Trust's online database of architectural and archeological sites and standing structures. The Maryland Historical Trust, home of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), is the official repository for the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties (MIHP), which includes both architectural resources and archeological sites. The database includes records for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) properties in Maryland, determinations of eligibility (DOE) records, and records for properties in the Maryland Historic Preservation Easement program.

This program provides a map- and text-search based interface for Medusa. Begin by zooming to your area of interest (if you are doing a map search) or open the Text Search tab if you prefer to do a text-based search. Use the Layers tab to select which layers you wish to view. Click on the Base Map Gallery if you wish to change the background map.

IMPORTANT: Note that you will not see any archeology-related records until you sign in by clicking the Log In link in the upper right. You must have a valid Medusa account to see these records.

Users who do not need a map interface and prefer the "old" version of Medusa can click on the "Go to Text-Based Medusa" in the upper right.

Get started by zooming to your area of interest!

[Tutorials](#)

Preservation Planning

Local governments play a critical role in identifying, protecting, and enhancing historic places and culturally significant sites. MHT assists local governments through the voluntary Certified Local Government program, by reviewing and commenting on local comprehensive plans and amendments and by responding to inquiries about preservation issues throughout the state.

PreserveMaryland, the 2014-2018 Statewide Preservation Plan. Each year, MHT monitors the implementation of *PreserveMaryland*, a five-year plan that calls upon public agencies, private organizations, and individuals involved in preservation to work toward five statewide goals: Connect with Broader Audiences; Improve the Framework for Preservation; Expand and Update Documentation; Build Capacity and Strengthen Networks; and Collaborate Toward Shared Objectives. To help track progress, MHT created web pages that allow for ongoing updates to the plan. In FY 2017, successes toward plan goals included: the introduction of map-based Medusa (p. 37); support for archeological sites threatened by flooding and erosion in Calvert County (p. 39); and the Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions' statewide symposium, held in June 2017 in Rockville, which helped commissioners and staff understand the issues surrounding the use of substitute materials on historic properties.

In FY 2017, MHT staff visited historic communities in Caroline County to provide technical assistance to local planners.



Certified Local Government Program. The Certified Local Government program, administered by the National Park Service and MHT, recognizes counties and municipalities that have made a special commitment to preservation. MHT awards 10% of its annual allocation from the Historic Preservation Fund to Certified Local Government projects and educational opportunities each year. The following grants were awarded in FY 2017:

- Up to \$15,000 to the City of Annapolis for Certified Local Government registrations and support for *Keeping History Above Water*, a national gathering focused on the increasing risks posed by sea-level rise to historic coastal communities;
- Up to \$15,780 to Calvert County to conduct an archeological investigation of a portion of the Calverton Site and complete a report, as part of the 2017 Annual Field Session.
- Up to \$15,000 the City of Cambridge to complete the updated design guidelines for Cambridge Wards 1 and 3;
- Up to \$20,000 to Charles County to complete a detailed Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form for the Hughesville Tobacco Warehouse District, potentially followed by a National Register nomination; and
- Up to \$12,000 to the Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions (MAHDC) to provide educational and training programs for historic preservation commissions, as well as an administrative fee of \$2,000 to MAHDC to distribute funds.

Calvert County historic preservation planner Kirsti Uunila inspects an artifact recovered at the Calverton site.

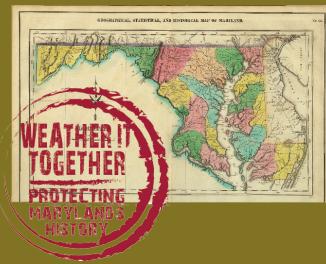


Weather It Together Program

Supported by a grant through the federal Hurricane Sandy Disaster Relief Fund, the statewide Weather It Together Program is aimed at protecting historic places, archeological sites, and cultural landscapes from the effects of natural hazards, such as flooding, wind, and coastal erosion. This multi-year program has produced trainings, model guidance and educational materials to assist local governments,

based on a planning framework promoted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

When embarking on a plan to protect the historic capital from natural hazards, including sea level rise, the City of Annapolis branded its effort **“Weather It Together”** becoming more resilient is an ongoing effort that should be undertaken not only by the public sector, but also in conjunction with residents, business owners and other stakeholders in the community. The City has graciously made the logo concept and slogan available to all jurisdictions who are undertaking similar work to protect their historic places.



Technical Assistance and Funding. Throughout FY 2017, staff offered one-on-one technical assistance to aid local governments ready to embark on hazard mitigation planning and stewarded \$280,000 in grants to projects statewide that identify historic properties and archeological sites at risk to natural hazards and recommend mitigation actions to reduce that risk.

Staff updated the webpages for the Weather It Together program with new resources, tools, and links to information for hazard mitigation planning, disaster response and

recovery, and climate change. Staff continued to participate in the development of the City of Annapolis' cultural resources hazard mitigation plan and served on the planning team for the *Keeping History Above Water* conference, to be offered in Annapolis in the fall of 2017.

Training and Outreach. As part of the multi-agency Maryland Resiliency Partnership, staff participated in outreach to the Maryland Association of Counties, the Maryland Association of Stormwater and Floodplain Managers conference and the Eastern Shore Land Conservancy's *Unsinkable Eastern Shore II: Rural America Responds to Climate Change*, a symposium that featured presentations on adapting to climate change from a variety of perspectives, including local government, state government, and private citizens.

Success Story

Archeology, Natural Hazards, and Climate Change

Although threats to historic buildings and landscapes are increasingly recognized, few planners consider archeological sites in hazard mitigation, coastal management, or climate change adaptation. In March 2017, Maryland Historical Trust staff organized a session at the Middle Atlantic Archeological Conference, held in Virginia Beach, which described different approaches to survey and documentation for sites vulnerable to flooding, as well as methods for integrating archeological sites into hazard mitigation planning in Maryland. The session presenters provided content for the booklet produced for Maryland Archeology Month 2017 *At the Water's Edge: Our Past on the Brink* (see page 54). Starting the conversation about endangered archeological sites is the first step towards developing strategies for mitigating natural and climate-related threats to sites. In FY 2018, MHT will build upon the ideas and strategies presented to create a guidance document for the systematic identification, prioritization, and protection of archeological sites vulnerable to natural and climatological hazards.

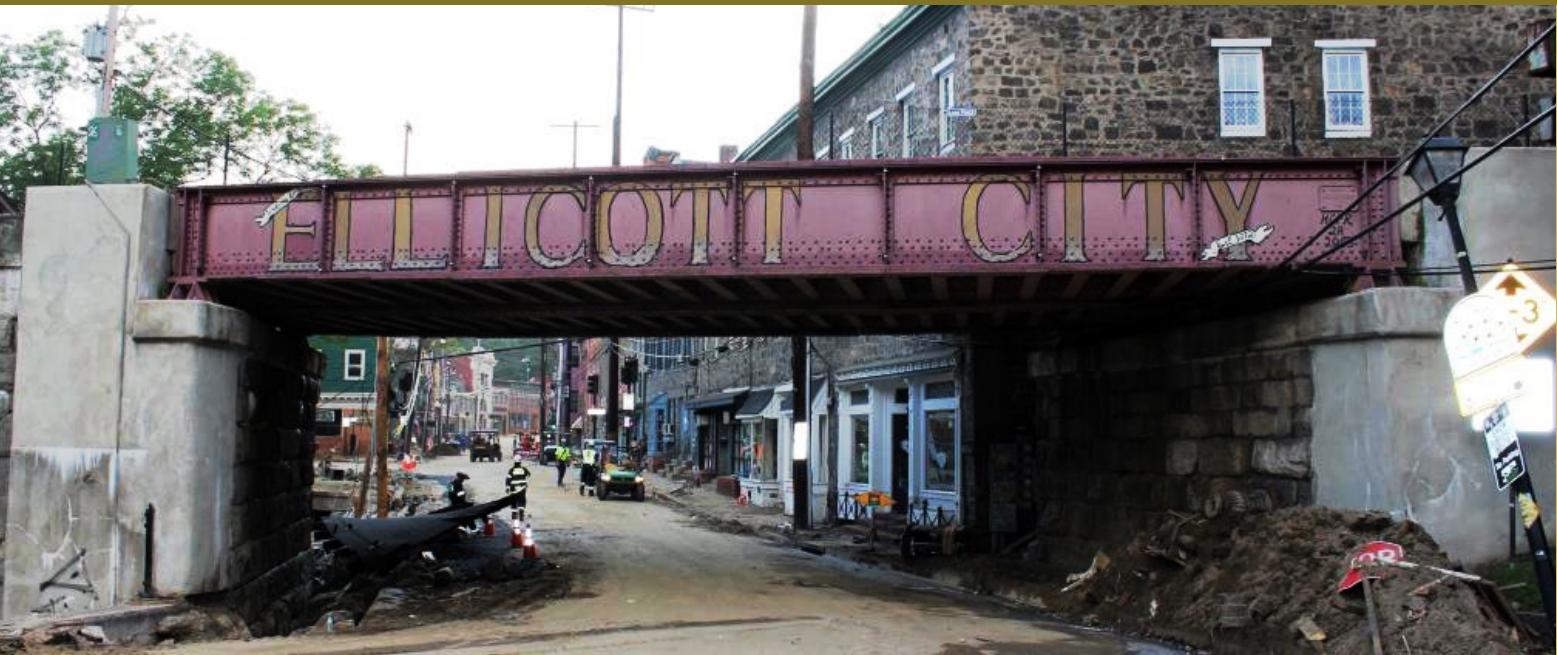


Sandbags protect a prehistoric archeological site from eroding out of the river bank.

Maryland Historical Trust Responds to Flooding in Historic Communities



Immediately after a flash flood decimated the historic district of Ellicott City on the evening of July 30, 2016, MHT staff mobilized quickly to assist. Staff reached out to sister agencies to loop into response and recovery operations and arrived on site within 48 hours of the flood to view the damage firsthand, including to properties in the National Register Historic District. Field teams then spent a week and a half completing individual assessments of every historic property affected by the flood. Once finished, approximately 170 damage assessment forms were completed and over 1,500 photographs were taken. Through MHT's participation in the Maryland Silver Jackets program, staff were invited to join engineers from the Baltimore District of the US Army Corps of Engineers on the site visit to evaluate potential flood mitigation options for historic buildings. Overall, MHT spent more than 400 hours on flood assistance. As a result, Ellicott City's historic buildings have a better chance at recovery, and both the County and MHT are better equipped to provide technical assistance and responses to questions from historic property owners about the rehabilitation of their buildings. This effort has also informed MHT's guidance for local governments dealing with flood-prone historic properties and encouraged an update of response protocols for future disasters.





Inspired in part by Ellicott City, in May 2017, MHT hosted *Weather It Together: Protecting Maryland's Historic Buildings from Floods*, a day-long workshop that addressed hazard mitigation planning, disaster response and recovery, and mitigation options for historic properties prone to flooding. This interdisciplinary training benefited from presenters from partner agencies including the Maryland Emergency Management Agency and the Maryland Department of the Environment, as well as local governments including Ellicott City, Annapolis, and Baltimore City. Staff from all parts of MHT participated and presented in the program, which culminated with a presentation from Dominique Hawkins of Philadelphia's Preservation Design Partnership, which is currently working with MHT to produce a guidance document for local jurisdictions that wish to protect historic properties from flood threats, including natural disasters and sea-level rise.



Historic Preservation Easement Program

A historic preservation easement is the highest form of protection available for any historic, archeological, or cultural resource. An easement ensures that a property will continue to be both appropriately maintained and accessible to the public. MHT currently holds a statewide easement portfolio of 703 easements on 852 properties, encompassing approximately 7,748 acres; most of these easements provide perpetual protection. Many easements were conveyed as gift easements by private owners wishing to ensure the continued preservation of a beloved property; some easements were obtained as part of a transfer of state or federal property into private ownership, to ensure continued oversight; and other easements were received as a condition of various forms of state or federal grant or loan funding as a means of protecting the investment of public dollars. In FY 2017, MHT acquired four new easements and modified three existing easements to update baseline documentation and Exhibit pages.

Entering into an easement agreement with MHT initiates a partnership between MHT and the owner of the property. The property owner takes on certain responsibilities; generally these include maintaining the property, insuring it, and requesting MHT's approval for alterations. MHT also takes on certain responsibilities, including timely review of proposed alterations and inspection of protected properties. MHT staff, ranging from architectural historians to archeologists, are available to provide technical assistance on preservation best practices and guidance on proposed restoration or rehabilitation projects. Since the easement endures even when a property changes hands, MHT provides stability in the long-term preservation of these significant properties, ensuring that the changes which may be needed over time occur in a sensitive and appropriate manner.



Progress continues at Silver Spring's former National Park Seminary campus. The restoration of the Colonial House, c.1904, remains ongoing.

Staff of the easement program encourage property owners to reach out to discuss preservation issues or planned projects. Staff members in the program traveled across the state in FY 2017, participating in 52 meetings and site visits in 12 counties and the City of Baltimore to provide guidance and advice about ongoing or proposed projects. Similarly, the easement inspector accomplished 57 site inspections in 15 counties and the City of Baltimore to assess the condition and compliance of protected properties and to provide technical assistance on building preservation and maintenance. Over the course of the fiscal year, MHT's in-house easement committee reviewed and provided recommendations on approximately 131 projects proposed by property owners and managers.

County	Name	Scope	Record Date	Source	Acres
Anne Arundel	Lamb Lodge	Interior, Exterior, Archeology	6/30/2017	Bond Bill 2013	0.4719
Anne Arundel	Sands House	Interior, Exterior, Archeology	6/30/2017	Gift	0.1021
Baltimore City	Florence Crittenton Home	Modification	2/01/2017	NA	-
Baltimore City	Hebrew Orphans Asylum	Exterior, Archeology	3/30/2017	State Property Transfer	0.3867
Baltimore City	1803 Eutaw Place	Interior, Exterior, Archeology	6/27/2017	MHT Loan	0.16
Dorchester	Friendship Hall	Modification	11/01/2016	NA	-
Garrett	Compton School	Modification	8/24/2016	NA	-

Most notably, four of the long-missing rounded windows of the covered walkway were replaced.



Success Stories

Historic Preservation Easements



The Somerset County Historical Society and Friends of Teackle Mansion are continuing the restoration of the interior of Princess Anne's Teackle Mansion, one of the most architecturally distinguished properties on Maryland's Eastern Shore. The restoration work, which was assisted by MHT's Capital Loan Program and by the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority, includes replicating wood graining, faux marble finishes, and original paint schemes.



The interior finishes of the Clifton Mansion are undergoing a major restoration effort, under the initiation of the Friends of Clifton Mansion and CivicWorks. Among the many features included in this effort, the main staircase has been painstakingly restored by C&H Restoration, removing the linoleum covering and years of overpaint.

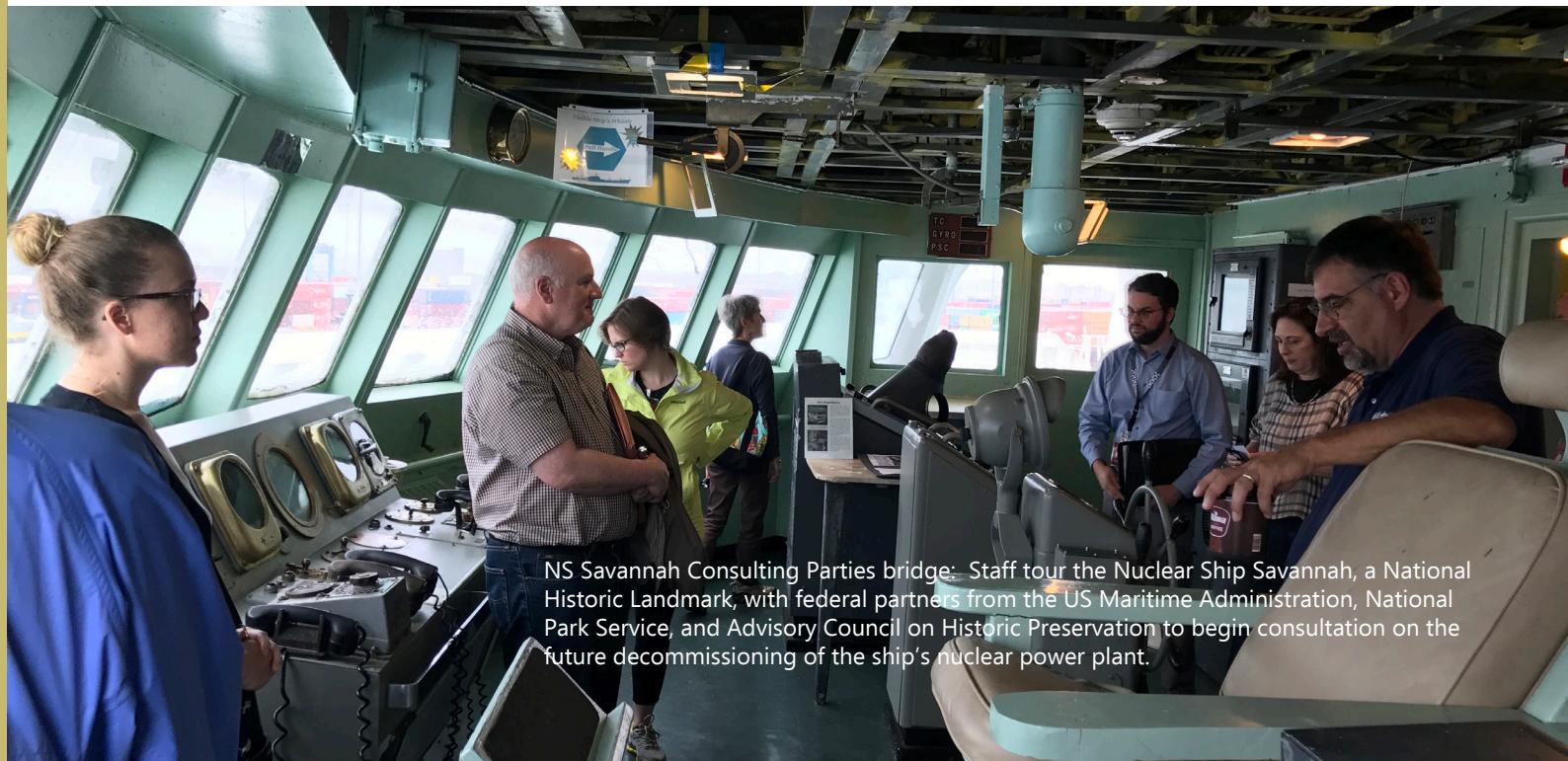


State and Federal Project Review

Historic preservation laws require state and federal government agencies to consider the effects of their projects on historic and archeological resources through a consultation process. By reviewing projects in consultation with agencies, project sponsors, and the public, MHT helps ensure that federal and state projects avoid, reduce, or mitigate harm to historic and archeological properties.

Project Review. In 2017, MHT reviewed more than 6,500 public undertakings pursuant to federal and state historic preservation legislation to assess the effects of those projects on cultural resources. Staff formally evaluated 274 resources identified within project areas for their eligibility in the National Register of Historic Places. Consultation resulted in 28 formal agreement documents to resolve the adverse effects of projects on significant cultural resources and afford pertinent mitigation measures. Staff closely coordinated with program customers (including governmental agencies, local governments, business entities, consultants, interested organizations, and the public) to facilitate the successful completion of the historic preservation review process.

Outreach - Working with Section 106. Staff provided multiple trainings on the Section 106 consultation process to federal and state agencies and their grant recipients including: National Park Service Superintendents and staff from parks in the National Capital Region; permit staff from the Corps of Engineers and Maryland Department of the Environment; and recipients of state bond bill funds in conjunction with the Comptroller's Office and Department of General Services annual grants workshop.



NS Savannah Consulting Parties bridge. Staff tour the Nuclear Ship Savannah, a National Historic Landmark, with federal partners from the US Maritime Administration, National Park Service, and Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to begin consultation on the future decommissioning of the ship's nuclear power plant.

Success Stories

NOAA Documents and Captures the Story of Bloede Dam

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Marine Fisheries Service proposed the removal of the historic Bloede Dam, located within Patapsco State Park, to restore free flowing riverine systems for migratory and resident fish passage and eliminate a public safety hazard. Through consultation with MHT, American Rivers, the Department of Natural Resources, and others, the involved parties executed a Memorandum of Agreement with agreed upon measures to mitigate the project's adverse effect on the historic dam.

Constructed in 1906 by the Patapsco Electric & Manufacturing Company, Bloede Dam was the first hollow concrete hydroelectric dam ever built that housed its electrical generating equipment within the dam interior. The dam is historically significant for its engineering, its role in the early 20th century generation of electricity, and for its association with Victor Gustav Bloede, who, as president of the Patapsco Electric & Manufacturing Company, financed the construction of the dam to provide electrical power to his Eden Terrace development and the surrounding rural area outside of Baltimore City. As part of its efforts to mitigate the loss, NOAA will pursue Historic American Engineering Record documentation of the structure, which will be available to researchers at the Library of Congress. The documentation will inform the development of interpretive signage installed on observation platforms as part of the trail system at Patapsco State Park.

The Navy Extends New Life to World War II-Era “Temporary” Building

The Navy's Naval Air Station Patuxent River recently completed a major rehabilitation effort to its Installation Commanding Officer's headquarters, Administration Building B-409. Built quickly in 1942, Building B-409 is a typical wood-frame, World War II “temporary” administration building, constructed in the International Style, with long bands of wooden sash windows, asbestos Transite siding, and lead paint. Until recently, the building had no insulation and was plagued with termites and deteriorating hazardous materials. Challenged to design a project that balanced multiple needs including force protection, energy efficiency, program requirements, and historic preservation, the Navy consulted with MHT and developed a project that yielded a win-win for mission and preservation.

The building's 173 wooden, double-hung windows formed a major component of the project. Remarkably, after the lead paint was removed, not a single sash or window frame needed significant repair, even after 75 years. The Navy installed an interior storm system to replace the non-historic aluminum exterior storm windows. This successful project has reduced fuel consumption and made the building more functional and comfortable for its occupants, while ensuring continued preservation of this 75-year-old “temporary” building.



Military Monuments and Roadside Historical Markers

Military Monument Conservation. The Governor's Commission on Maryland Military Monuments was created in 1989 to inventory the approximately 432 military memorials honoring Maryland's veterans, to secure funds for the preservation of those in need, and to develop educational and tourism materials relating to their history. In FY 2017, the Maryland Department of Planning began to administer the Commission, which consists of up to seventeen volunteer members – including one representative of MHT – who bring military, historical, business, and government expertise to the important work of safeguarding our state's military monuments. In FY2017, MHT staff coordinated maintenance for twelve monuments on the Eastern Shore and initial treatment for one in Pomfret and one in Hagerstown.

Historical Markers Program. Launched in 1933, the roadside historical marker program draws attention to the many events, people and places that have contributed to the richness of our state and nation. The marker program, which is administered by MHT in cooperation with the Maryland State Highway Administration, accepts applications from the public for new markers to commemorate important local history. Application and program guidelines are found on the roadside marker section of the MHT website.

In FY 2017, markers were installed to commemorate:

- **United States Naval Training Center, Bainbridge** (proposed by alumni members of the Bainbridge Association) on MD 222 in Port Deposit, Cecil County, near the gate of the center;
- The **steamboat *Gratitude*** (proposed by a resident of Rock Hall) on MD 20, east of Beach Road in Rock Hall, Kent County; and
- **Concord Point Light Station** (proposed by the Friends of Concord Point Lighthouse) on the Concord Point Lighthouse grounds in Havre de Grace, Harford County.

United States Naval Training Center Bainbridge alumni at unveiling of the new marker.





The new marker for the steamboat Gratitude and the village named for her was unveiled on October 15, 2016, by Gary Zelinski, Rock Hall Mayor Brian Jones and Lillian Zelinski.



Conservators Howard Wellman and Ronald Harvey clean and wax the Spirit of the American Doughboy Monument in Crisfield, assisted by Governor's Summer Intern Noah Jaques.

Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum

Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum (JPPM) connects people to the past through history and archeology and supports the preservation of Maryland's cultural and natural resources. Located on 560 acres on the Patuxent River in Calvert County, JPPM encompasses more than 65 documented archeological sites spanning 9,500 years. With events, tours, lectures, school visits, and workshops, JPPM hosts more than 125 programs annually. JPPM is also the home of the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory (MAC Lab), a state-of-the-art facility dedicated to archeological conservation and research. For more information on MAC Lab (p. 34).

Events. In FY 2017, almost 85,000 people visited the park. In the fall of 2016, JPPM held its annual 1812 Fair and Re-enactment, as well as the first annual JPPM 5K Run/Walk to benefit the JPPM educational programs. In November 2016, JPPM celebrated American Indian Heritage Day with hands-on activities and programming in the park's recreated Indian Village. In early June 2017, more than 3,500 people participated in the 32nd Annual Children's Day on the Farm. A week later, JPPM celebrated the Patuxent River Wade-In as concerned citizens and elected officials joined Senator Bernie Fowler to focus attention on the need to clean up the Patuxent River.

Educational Programs. JPPM's commitment to serving area schools continued through two onsite programs, one designed for fourth graders and the second aimed at students in the sixth grade. As in years past, staff members worked with students from Huntingtown High School on an archeology-based project. In addition, for a fourth year, the JPPM education department worked with students from Mill Creek Middle School in Lusby to produce short videos on themes related to Maryland history. In total, more than 3,300 children participated in educational programs through the park in FY 2017.





Success Stories

***Wish You Were Here* Postcard Exhibit**

In March of 2017, Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum launched a photo contest to create the exhibit entitled *Wish You Were Here*, highlighting images worthy of being displayed on postcards for the park. A select number of entries were chosen to be printed for the exhibit, and the top five photos were reprinted as postcards sold in the gift shop. On March 31st, 2017, the exhibit opened in JPPM's Visitor Center, with an announcement of the winning photos for the postcard contest. The community and the photographers that participated responded favorably to the project, with many asking for an annual photo contest. JPPM education staff spearheaded the contest and design of the exhibit, working with maintenance staff to spruce up the exhibit room and fabricate the installation.

River Life Camp

In July 2016, River Life Camp was added to the list of summer camp programs offered at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum. The camp focuses on the Patuxent River, from the different habitats that are in the watershed to the history that connects with the use of the river over time. During the camp, second and third graders participated in series of activities that helped them understand the importance of the Patuxent. They learned about water quality and oysters from Richard Lacouture with the Patuxent Environmental and Aquatics Research Lab, about archeology from MAC Lab staff, and about stewardship from Senator Bernie Fowler. At the end of the week, the campers presented what they learned to their parents and siblings and even participated in their own mini Wade-In event with Senator Fowler.



Public Archeology Programs

Each year, MHT provides opportunities for archeology enthusiasts and the general public to learn more about archeology in the state. For information about the public programs of the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory, please see page 34.

Archeology Month. To recognize Maryland's prolific archeological heritage, Governor Larry Hogan declared April 2017 Maryland Archeology Month. Numerous state-wide events took place as part of the month-long celebration focused on the theme *At the Water's Edge: Our Past on the Brink*, which called attention to natural threats to coastal archeological sites and current research to address these threats.

Field Session. The annual Field Session in Maryland Archeology, led and coordinated by MHT, combines public outreach, education, and research through the investigation of a significant archeological site. In partnership with the Calvert County Department of Community Planning and Building and the Archeological Society of Maryland, the 2017 Field Session focused on the site of Calverton on the shore of the Battle Creek, a tributary of the Patuxent River. The second town established by the Colony of Maryland, Calverton was the seat of government in Calvert County from 1668 through 1724, when it was largely abandoned. What remained of the town was burned by the British during the War of 1812. Today the site is an open agricultural field threatened by severe coastal erosion.

Over eleven days, more than 50 volunteers and participating archeologists identified the probable locations of several structures arrayed along the bank of Battle Creek. Recovered artifacts were consistent with the late 17th through early 18th century dates of Calverton's occupation. Among the finds were many oyster shells that evidenced the use of the site by Native Americans centuries before the founding of the Colonial town. Other artifacts recovered included brick fragments, shards of wine bottle glass, broken fragments of white clay pipe stems and bowls, sherds of imported refined ceramics, and many nails. The wrought nails, characteristic of the period had clearly been burned, which preserves them without rust through annealing; this discovery supports the identification of this site as Calverton and its destruction by the British.

Workshop in Archeology. Each year, the day-long Workshop in Archeology features a keynote address, topical lectures, and hands-on activities related to the prehistoric, historic, and maritime archeology of the state. Free and open to the public, the 26th Annual Workshop was held on March 25, 2017 and featured eight stimulating presentations. The keynote speaker was Luke Pecoraro, who detailed the lives of enslaved individuals at George Washington's Mount Vernon. Other presentations included a look at archeological testing in the Great Dismal Swamp (Becca Peixotto), MHT's hazard mitigation planning efforts (Jen Sparenberg), colonial forts (Craig Lukezik), the use of laser scanners with cultural resources (Joe Nicoli of Direct Dimensions), the 2016 Ellicott City flood (Marcia Miller of MHT), basic laboratory procedures (Becky Morehouse of the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory), and new research at the Higgins Paleoindian site (Zach Singer and Carol Ebright). Approximately 100 people attended the workshop.



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At the Water's Edge: Our Past on the Brink



Parson's Island Well images by Darrin Lowery



In September 2013 erosion along the southwest shore of Parson's Island in the Chesapeake Bay revealed an early 19th century brick well (inset right). When built this well served a farm complex and was far inland (inset left). By the Spring of 2014, shoreline erosion had left the well standing free from the bank, and by June it had collapsed. The staves of the barrel that formed the base of this historic well are visible in the surf in the larger image, some 10 meters from the eroding bank.



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2017 Maryland Preservation Awards

On April 20, 2017 in Annapolis, MHT celebrated the state's best efforts in historic preservation during the 42nd Maryland Preservation Awards. The MHT Board of Trustees recognized outstanding education, restoration, and revitalization projects, as well as organizational and individual leadership. For the first time, Maryland Historical Trust and Maryland Department of Planning staff produced videos about each of the awardees, available on the MHT website.

The following people and programs were recognized with 2017 awards.

Heart of the Civil War GeoTrail (Frederick, Carroll and Washington Counties)



Launched in October 2016 by the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area, the Heart of the Civil War GeoTrail provides an exciting new way to experience the power of historic places through geocaching, a real-world outdoor scavenger hunt using GPS-enabled devices like mobile phones. (*Excellence in Public Programming*)

Newtown Historic District Website (Wicomico County)



Developed by the volunteer-run Newtown Association, this website provides information about the oldest neighborhood in Salisbury. With an attractive design and easy navigation, the site offers information about the history and preservation of Newtown, while featuring the livable, affordable neighborhood as a destination for interested home buyers. (*Excellence in Media and Publications*)

Baltimore Harbor Light (Anne Arundel County)



After purchasing a historic 1908 caisson lighthouse at public auction, four couples began a decade-long process to restore the National Register property, which now appears as it did in the early 20th century. (*Outstanding Stewardship of an Easement Property*)

St. Mary's College of Maryland (St. Mary's County)



St. Mary's College of Maryland has a distinguished record for the management of archaeological resources on its property and has played a key role in the identification, preservation, and interpretation of sites, places, and landscapes in the Southern Maryland region. (*Outstanding Stewardship of Archeological Resources*)

Calvert County Natural Resources Division



In partnership with the Calvert County Department of Community Planning & Building and the Calvert Nature Society, the Division has secured public and private funds to support the stewardship of the historic and cultural sites within its care, including millions of dollars in investment in Biscoe Gray Heritage Farm and Kings Landing Park. (*Outstanding Stewardship by a Government Agency*)

Washington County Engineering and Construction Management



To preserve the legacy of the Old Forge Road Bridge (c. 1863), a three-arch stone structure constructed from coursed local limestone that spans Antietam Creek, Washington County coordinated with multiple agencies and the local community to restore the bridge and maintain its use. (*Outstanding Stewardship by a Government Agency*)

Lead Coffin Crypt Project (St. Mary's County)



In this final phase of decades-long collaborative project at the Chapel in Historic St. Mary's City, visitors can see the lead coffins of Phillip Calvert, last Chancellor of Maryland, and his family through glass floor panels in the place where they were originally discovered. (*Preservation Partnerships*)

Historic Watch Box Relocation and Restoration (Calvert County)



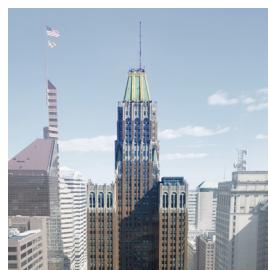
As part of a collaborative project necessitated by federal preservation review, the little yellow watch box (c. 1854) at Naval Support Facility Indian Head was moved back home and restored to its original location at the Washington Navy Yard. (*Preservation Partnerships*)

East Baltimore Historic II (Baltimore City)



Over two years, the East Baltimore Historic II project fully rehabilitated thirty-two vacant rowhouses and two mixed-use buildings in Baltimore's Oliver neighborhood. (*Excellence in Residential Rehabilitation*)

Ten Light Street (Baltimore City)



Constructed in 1929, the majestic Art Deco Baltimore Trust Building served 85 years as a bank and office before Metropolitan Baltimore, LLC, purchased the 34-story tower and adapted it for mixed use, following federal preservation standards. (*Excellence in Commercial Rehabilitation*)

Riverview Commons/B.L. Gillis & Son and Feldman Bros. (Wicomico County)



Built in a highly visible part of Salisbury around 1890, the building most commonly known as the Feldman Furniture store was condemned for deterioration and neglect until principals of Gillis Gilkerson, Inc., formed Riverview Commons, LLC, to rehabilitate and re-purpose the property. (*Project Excellence: Community Impact*)

Preservation Maryland (Statewide)



The preservation advocacy group's on-the-ground efforts in the wake of the Ellicott City flood have had a real and lasting impact and serve as a model for how preservation organizations can effectively respond to future natural disasters. (*Outstanding Organizational Leadership*)

Karen M. Gray, Ph.D. (Statewide)



Over thirty-nine years of tireless service to the Chesapeake and Ohio National Historical Park make volunteer historian Karen Gray an indispensable source of knowledge and one of the park's most treasured human resources. (*Outstanding Individual Leadership*)



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