

The 1772 Foundation Awards Historic Preservation Grants to New Hampshire Nonprofit Organizations

16 grant recipients announced in 15 towns

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MACON, GA – The 1772 Foundation, partnering for a fifth year with [New Hampshire Preservation Alliance](#), awarded historic preservation one-for-one matching grants totaling \$125,000 to sixteen private nonprofit organizations maintaining historic sites in New Hampshire. The grants ranged in amount from \$2,500 to the grant maximum of \$10,000, which four organizations received.

Grants were provided for exterior work: painting; surface restoration; repairs to/restoration of chimneys, porches, roofs, and windows; repairs to foundations and sills; and masonry repointing. New Hampshire Preservation Alliance evaluated the applications and also will manage the grants. Each grantee was required to have matching funds for its project.

Ethiel Garlington, executive director of The 1772 Foundation, recalled, “Our founder, Stewart Barney Kean, fell in love with historic preservation through the act of restoration. He appreciated the materials and workmanship of historic buildings. More importantly, he recognized the value of maintenance, repairs, and upgrades to ensure historic places survive for the next stewards. These grants exemplify his spirit and love of historic preservation.”

Grant recipients were Canterbury Shaker Village (Brethren's Shop, *Canterbury*); Claremont Historical Society (Mary Patten House, *Claremont*); Dublin Historical Society (Schoolhouse #1 Museum, *Dublin*); Dunbarton Historical Society (Waite Blacksmith Shop, *Dunbarton*); Gilsum Historical Society (Wright's Blacksmith Shop, *Gilsum*); Hinsdale Historical Society (Ebenezer Hinsdale Homestead carriage house, *Hinsdale*); Laconia Housing & Redevelopment Authority (Tavern Inn Apartments, *Laconia*); Lakes Region Community Developers (Gale School, *Belmont*); Mascoma Valley Preservation (Kimball Property house and shingle mill, *Grafton*); Meredith Historical Society (Oak Hill Meetinghouse, *Meredith*); Mt. Caesar Union Library Association (*Swanzey*); Poore Family Foundation (Poore Family Farm, *Stewartstown*); Portsmouth Historical Society (Morton-Benedict House, *Portsmouth*); Pierce Brigade (Franklin Pierce Manse, *Concord*); Star Island Corporation (Oceanic Hotel, *Rye*); and Warner House Association (*Portsmouth*). Grants were also awarded in each of the other five New England states and in Georgia.

President of The 1772 Foundation Margaret Waldock, commenting on the importance of the matching grants, said, "These bricks and mortar grants across New England and Georgia prove that small investments can have transformational results. Our statewide partners continue to demonstrate the power of historic preservation in communities in seven states. We are in awe of their work and the work of the grantees saving these fascinating places."

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The 1772 Foundation was named in honor of its first restoration project, Liberty Hall in Union, NJ, which was built in 1772 and is the ancestral home of the Livingston and Kean families. The late Stewart B. Kean was the original benefactor of The 1772 Foundation. The 1772 Foundation works to ensure the safe passage of historic assets to future generations. More information about The 1772 Foundation may be found at www.1772foundation.org.