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Macon Foundation Awards Historic Preservation Grants.

The 1772 Foundation, in cooperation with the National Preservation Partners Network, announces fourteen grant recipients.

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MACON, GEORGIA –The 1772 Foundation, based in Macon, Georgia, and the National Preservation Partners Network, located in Lansing, Michigan, play leading roles nationally in promoting historic properties redevelopment programs (HPRPs), which are also known as revolving funds. At a quarterly meeting of The 1772 Foundation, the partnership awarded HPRP grants totaling \$663,500. Individual grants ranged in amount from \$10,000 to conduct a feasibility study to \$100,000 to each of three established programs.

Executive Director Ethiel Garlington states, “As reflected in our awards, our professional reviewers and the trustees of The 1772 Foundation were thrilled to learn about the preservation real estate ventures being undertaken by our grantees. Across the country, these programs are transforming communities and revitalizing entire neighborhoods, while also addressing some of the most important pressures in the market - affordable housing, equitable access to low-interest loans, and investments in small commercial buildings that are the backbone of main streets everywhere.”

HPRP grant recipients were **Dade Heritage Trust** in Miami, Florida (\$100,000), **Downtown Joplin Alliance** in Joplin, Missouri (\$50,000), **Fairmount Park Conservancy** in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (\$50,000), **Heritage Ohio** in Columbus, Ohio (\$100,000), **Historic Charleston Foundation** in Charleston, South Carolina (\$100,000), **Historic Wilmington Foundation** in Wilmington, North Carolina (\$75,000), **New York City Historic Properties Fund** in New York, New York (\$30,000), **Preserve Rhode Island** in Providence, Rhode Island (\$50,000), and **Restore Mobile** in Mobile, Alabama (\$35,000).

Three preservation organizations received grants to assess how HPRP programs might be implemented in their communities. Recipients of these grants were **Landmark Foundation of Montgomery** in Montgomery, Alabama (\$15,000), **Preservation Dayton** in Dayton, Ohio (\$10,000), and **Revolution Workshop** in Chicago, Illinois (\$20,000).

The **Sema Hadithi African American Heritage and Culture Foundation** in Salt Lake City, Utah was awarded \$13,500 to establish a preservation easement program to protect sites of African American significance. Lastly, a longtime grantee of The 1772 Foundation, the **Waterfront Historic Area League (WHALE)** in New Bedford, Massachusetts was awarded \$15,000 to conduct HPRP-focused strategic planning.

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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 our historic buildings and farmland to future generations. More information about The 1772 Foundation may be found at www.1772foundation.org.

The National Preservation Partners Network (NPPN), established as an independent organization in 2018, works to advance the growth and effectiveness of the organized historic preservation movement through education, training, and a common advocacy agenda. More information about NPPN may be found at <https://PresPartners.org>.