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**\$126,000 in Massachusetts Historic Preservation Grant Awards Announced:**

16 Projects To Receive Matching Funds For Exterior Work On Historic Buildings

Plymouth, MA - Preservation Massachusetts, in partnership with The 1772 Foundation, is pleased to announce the 16 recipients of the 2022 historic preservation matching grant program for Massachusetts. Preservation Massachusetts is the statewide non-profit historic preservation organization dedicated to preserving the Commonwealth's historic and cultural heritage and The 1772 Foundation plays a leading role in promoting historic preservation nationwide.

In this latest grant round, the 1772 Foundation worked with statewide historic preservation organizations, including Preservation Massachusetts, to administer 1:1 matching grants of up to \$10,000. Grants will be given to historic preservation projects for building exteriors. At their quarterly meeting, the trustees of The 1772 Foundation awarded \$126,000 in grants to 16 Massachusetts projects, based on recommendations from Preservation Massachusetts.

Grant recipients in Massachusetts are:

- Alden Kindred of America for the Alden House (Duxbury)
- The Brookhouse Home for Aged Women for the Benjamin W. Crowninshield House (Salem)
- Chesterwood for the French Family Residence (Stockbridge)
- Dorchester Historical Society for the William Clapp House (Dorchester)
- Lawrence History Center for the Essex Company Offices and Yard building (Lawrence)
- James Weldon Johnson Foundation for the James Weldon Johnson Writing Cabin (Great Barrington)
- Lowell Parks & Conservation Trust for the Spalding House (Lowell)
- Martha's Vineyard Museum, Inc. for the Marine Hospital Building (Vineyard Haven, Martha's Vineyard)
- Massachusetts Museum for Contemporary Art Foundation, Inc. for the Arnold Print Works (North Adams)
- Porter-Phelps-Huntington Foundation, Inc. for the Porter-Phelps-Huntington Historic House (Hadley)
- Historic New England for the Bark Pit Greenhouse (Waltham)
- SouthCoast LGBTQ+ Network, Inc. for the Burgess-Andrews House (New Bedford)
- Townsend Historical Society, Inc. for the Spaulding Cooperage (Townsend)

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- Volunteers for AIM Thrift Shop, Inc. for the US Post Office – Wellfleet Branch building (Wellfleet)
- Westminster Historical Society, Inc. for the Westminster Historical Society House (Westminster)
- New Bedford Whaling Museum for the E.P. Hirst Building (New Bedford)

Securing funding for historic preservation projects remains a top priority for Preservation Massachusetts and other preservation organizations across the country. Erin Kelly, President of Preservation Massachusetts, stated that the continued interest in The 1772 Foundation matching grant “reinforces the need that exists for the many historic resources that we have in Massachusetts and the amount of work that is undertaken by the organizations that are responsible for them. She added that, “There is great need to expand funding opportunities for the many historic buildings that make up the places that matter to us from Cape Cod to the Berkshires. The work our grant recipients do today ensures that integral parts of our communities remain for tomorrow. We are grateful for the support of The 1772 Foundation and congratulate this year’s grant recipients.”

The 1772 Foundation has committed to another \$125,000 in grant funding for 2023. Application information will be available in early fall on the Preservation Massachusetts website.

#### **About Preservation Massachusetts:**

Preservation Massachusetts was established in 1985 as Historic Massachusetts, Inc. We are the statewide non-profit organization that actively promotes the preservation of historic buildings and landscapes as a positive force for economic development and the retention of community character. The organization is supported entirely by grants, fundraising events and the support of our membership. In keeping with our mission, we work in partnership with national, state and local organizations and individuals across the Commonwealth to advance and understand, appreciation and utilization of our historic built and natural landscapes. More information about Preservation Massachusetts may be found online at [www.preservationmass.org](http://www.preservationmass.org)

#### **About the 1772 Foundation:**

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 sole benefactor to 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](http://www.1772foundation.org).

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