

## News Release

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THE 1772 FOUNDATION

## Maine Preservation Announces The 1772 Foundation Historic Preservation Grant Recipients for 2022

**Yarmouth, ME – May 16, 2022** - Maine Preservation, partnering for a third year with The 1772 Foundation, awarded one-for-one matching grants totaling \$125,000 to 24 nonprofit organizations maintaining historic buildings in Maine. The grants ranged in amount from \$2,500 to the grant maximum of \$10,000.

Grants were provided for exterior repair and restoration including painting, surface restoration, chimneys, porches, roofs, windows, foundations and sills, masonry repointing, and installation of fire/security systems. Projects were evaluated by Maine Preservation staff, who also will administer the grants. Each grantee was required to have matching funds for its project.

"Maine Preservation is honored to partner with The 1772 Foundation to deliver support to nonprofit organizations that seek to update and preserve the historic buildings central to their missions," said Tara Kelly, executive director of Maine Preservation. "These landmarks are integral to the cultural fabric and economic vitality of communities across Maine. We are pleased to help the organizations stewarding these sites so that they may continue to offer key services to Mainers. We are grateful to The 1772 Foundation for supplementing the limited in-state grant funding currently available to support preservation efforts."

"The 1772 Foundation is delighted to partner again with Maine Preservation to bring funding to this impressive array of cultural and community assets in Maine," said Mary Anthony, executive director of The 1772 Foundation. "This cooperative arrangement with Maine colleagues provides essential knowledge and expertise for the program, which would not be possible without their efforts."

Maine grant recipients are:

- Araxine Wilkins Sawyer Foundation (*Greene*)
- Bearnstow (*Mt. Vernon*)
- Chebeague Island Historical Society (*Chebeague Island*)
- Educational Bureau of Ocean Park (*Ocean Park*)
- Farmington Historical Society (*Farmington*)

- Fifth Maine Regiment Museum (*Peaks Island*)
- First Amendment Museum (*Augusta*)
- Friends of First Congregational Church of East Machias (*East Machias*)
- Friends of L.C. Bates Museum (*Hinckley*)
- Friends of the Greenville Depot (*Greenville*)
- Maine Art Gallery (*Wiscasset*)
- Maine Maritime Museum (*Bath*)
- Monson Historical Society (*Monson*)
- Old Berwick Historical Society (*South Berwick*)
- Old Bristol Historical Society (*Bristol*)
- Phippsburg Historical Society (*Phippsburg*)
- Poland Springs Preservation Society (*Poland Springs*)
- Readfield Union Meeting House Corporation (*Readfield*)
- Swan's Island Historical Society (*Swan's Island*)
- Tate House Museum (*Portland*)
- The William A. Farnsworth Library and Art Museum (*Rockland*)
- United Society of Shakers, Sabbathday Lake, Inc. (*New Gloucester*)
- Wells Reserve at Laudholm (*Wells*)
- Wilson Museum (*Castine*)

For more information and questions about the program, please contact Maine Preservation [info@mainepreservation.org](mailto:info@mainepreservation.org), 207.847.3577.

**Maine Preservation** is the independent nonprofit member-based statewide historic preservation organization that promotes and preserves historic places, buildings, downtowns, and neighborhoods, strengthening the cultural and economic vitality of Maine communities. [www.mainepreservation.org](http://www.mainepreservation.org).

**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](http://www.1772foundation.org).