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New Jersey Historic Trust Announces \$150,000 Available in New Grants For Historic Preservation

TRENTON (January 14, 2004)— The New Jersey Historic Trust recently announced that applications and guidelines for its new Capital Preservation Program are now available to qualified history and humanities organizations. This year's grant awards, provided in partnership with the New Jersey Cultural Trust, will range from \$5,000 to \$15,000 and will be awarded to eligible organizations for capital improvements to historic properties. This year, a total of \$150,000 in grants will be awarded.

To receive a grant, the proposed work must involve properties that are listed, or are eligible for listing, in the New Jersey or National Register of Historic Places. The current grant round will be devoted to projects that will stabilize historic properties, with preference given to projects of compelling urgency. No matching funds are required.

Potential applicants to the Historic Trust's Capital Preservation Program are New Jersey-based, nonprofit organizations that fulfill a history or humanities mission through active programs and services, have been in operation for a minimum of four years, are tax-exempt, and demonstrate financial and budgetary oversight to the standards set by the Cultural Trust. (Potential applicants that have not been prequalified should first contact the Cultural Trust at www.njculturaltrust.org or (609) 984-6767.)

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Applications are due February 17, 2004. Applications and guidelines are available on the New Jersey Historic Trust's Web site at www.njht.org/cultural-trust.htm. To request an application by mail, call (609) 984-0473 or e-mail: njht@dca.state.nj.us.

The Historic Trust will host an applicant workshop on January 16, 2004 at 10 a.m. at the State Records Center, 2300 Stuyvesant Road in Trenton. Call (609) 984-0473 for reservations and more information.

Created by the State Legislature, the New Jersey Historic Trust is a nonprofit historic preservation organization affiliated with the Department of Community Affairs. Governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees, the Trust promotes the preservation of New Jersey's historic resources by encouraging cooperative efforts between public and private agencies, providing financial assistance and accepting easements on historic properties.

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