



Cumberland County Preservation Opportunities Watch List 2018 Nominations

Information

The Cumberland County Historical Society (CCHS) is designated as the official historical society of Cumberland County by its Commissioners. As such, CCHS serves as a primary advisor and partner with the Cumberland County Planning Department (CCPD) as it formulates plans related to historic preservation. Key preservation goals and priorities are outlined in the CCPD's most recent comprehensive plan located at <https://www.ccpa.net/3546/Cumberland-County-Comprehensive-Plan>.

CCHS works closely with the CCPD to develop comprehensive preservation strategies. Designated representatives from the CCPD also serve on the CCHS Preservation Roundtable which oversees this *Preservation Opportunities Watch List*. Our goal is for this List to serve as a chance to highlight opportunities to save the County's endangered historic landmarks and landscapes which contribute to our sense of place and are integral to the identity of communities.

For the purpose of the List, *endangerment* is defined as threat of Inappropriate Alteration, Compromised Setting, Physical Deterioration, or Demolition. **It is our belief that the publication of this list will help draw attention to the plight of Cumberland County's resources, promote action to protect resources, and encourage funding and programming for cultural resources in our region.**

Instructions

Please fill out the application as completely as possible, and return your nomination by the deadline. No applications will be considered once the deadline has passed.

Please email your submissions to lvarner@historicalsociety.com. If images exceed 50mb you can mail physical copies to the Community Outreach Director at 21 N. Pitt Street, Carlisle, PA 17013, or email to discuss alternative options.

Please note, before completing this form **you must save a blank copy to your desktop** and then close your web browser. Double-click on the saved file to open it with Adobe Reader; enter your information; and save when done. **If you do not follow these steps it is possible your information will *NOT* be saved.**

Nomination Deadline: March 30, 2018

Eligibility Requirements

- Sites should be architecturally and/or historically significant as defined by local, state or National registers. This includes properties that are (or could be) designated on the Cumberland County Historic Register, determined eligible for or listed in the National Register of Historic Places, or part of an Historic Architectural Review Board (HARB) district in Cumberland County.
- Landscapes that are cultural or historic landscapes as defined by the National Park Services. These can include large tracts of land of cultural significance to Cumberland County or a small park, garden or homestead. If an historic site is included on the property you can write one application for the landscape and site.
- The site/landscape/resource is faced with imminent, recognized endangerment either from overt action, neglect, incompatible use, development, or loss of context.

Nominations will be evaluated according to the following criteria

- Architectural and/or historic significance - Identifiable threat; and likelihood that inclusion on this list will make a positive impact on preservation efforts.
- If the site/landscape/resource ties to the culture and history of Cumberland County.

Email Submissions are Preferred

Send Nominations to:

Lindsay Varner
Community Outreach Director
lvarner@historicalsociety.com
Or Mail to:
Cumberland County Historical Society
21 North Pitt Street
Carlisle, PA 17013

Application Questions Directed to:

Lindsay Varner
Community Outreach Director
lvarner@historicalsociety.com
717-249-7610

Site Information

Name of Site/landscape/resource

Address

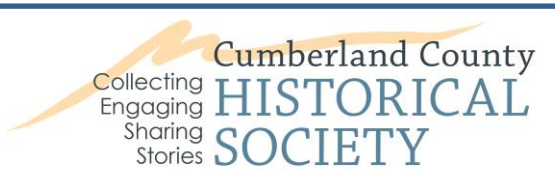
Municipality

Designation¹ (select one)

- National Historic Landmark
- Individually Eligible for, or Listed in the National Register of Historic Places
- Contributes to a National Register Historic District and/or HARB Historic District
- Cumberland County Register of Historic Places
- Other (e.g. Significant, but not yet recognized as such or part of an official planning document)
Please specify:

¹ See last page of nomination form for links to identify if your site is eligible for or part of an historic register.

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Site Ownership

- Public**
- Private**

Name of Owner

Address of Owner

Phone Number

Email

Nomination Contact Information (Leave blank if the information is the same as Site Ownership)

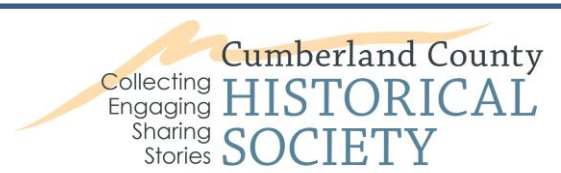
Name of Individual/Group nominating site

Address

Phone Number

Email

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Are you a member of Cumberland County Historical Society?

- Yes
- No
- No, but please send me more information

How did you hear about Cumberland County's Opportunities List?

Reproduction Permission Form

I (We) hereby own rights and permissions to the photos included, and provide unqualified release to Cumberland County Historical Society to use or reproduce all photographs and other materials submitted with this application for the 2018 Cumberland County Opportunities List.

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Site Evaluation: Please answer the following questions as clearly and completely as possible. We ask that you stay within the word count guidelines. The word count is provided for each question.

1. Physical Description of the site. Please describe all significant features, such as, architectural style or character of the key building(s) and the surrounding landscape, or neighborhood. If it is a building(s) please include an approximate date of construction. (Please send any architectural drawings, photographs, and maps as clearly marked attachments.) - *Not to exceed 1000 words*

2. Historical Significance of the site/landscape/resource. (*Not to exceed 800 words*)

3. What is the status of the site/landscape/resource? (200 words)

4. What is the threat to the site/landscape/resource?

- Inappropriate Alteration
- Compromised Setting
- Physical Deterioration
- Demolition
- Commercial or Industrial Development

Please elaborate on the threat (100 words):

5. Which of these factors are contributing to the issue?

- Economics
- Use
- Condition/Care
- Ownership
- Policy/Planning
- Other (Please Specify)

9. Are there opportunities for the site/landscape/resource to be used to promote preservation in Cumberland County? Examples include tours and historic programming and collaborations with Cumberland County Historical Society's Preservation Learning Lab. (200 words)

10. Provide any additional comments or recommendations. (100 words)

Nomination Checklist:

- Nomination Form (Site Information and Evaluation)
- Digital photographs showing multiple views of the property, site, or cultural resource
- Signed permission form to reproduce provided images and information
- (If applicable) Supporting documentation of site and threat such as newspaper articles or correspondence

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Paper Submissions can be returned to: Lindsay Varner
Community Outreach Director
Cumberland County Historical Society
21 North Pitt Street
Carlisle, PA 17013

Helpful Definitions

Historic Preservation Terminology as defined by the National Park Services

https://www.nps.gov/history/local-law/arch_stnds_10.htm; <https://www.nps.gov/tps/how-to-preserve/briefs/36-cultural-landscapes.htm>

Comprehensive Historic Preservation Planning: the organization into a logical sequence of preservation information pertaining to identification, evaluation and treatment of historic properties, and setting priorities for accomplishing preservation activities.

Cultural Landscape: a geographic area, including both cultural and natural resources and the wildlife or domestic animals therein, associated with a historic event, activity, or person or exhibiting other cultural or aesthetic values.

Historic Context: a unit created for planning purposes that groups information about historic properties based on a shared theme, specific time period and geographical area.

Historic Landscape: includes residential gardens and community parks, scenic highways, rural communities, institutional grounds, cemeteries, battlefields and zoological gardens. They are composed of a number of character-defining features which, individually or collectively contribute to the landscape's physical appearance as they have evolved over time.

Historic Property: a district, site, building, structure or object significant in American history, architecture, engineering, archeology or culture at the national, State, or local level.

Integrity: the authenticity of a property's historic identity, evidenced by the survival of physical characteristics that existed during the property's historic or prehistoric period.

Preservation: defined as the act or process of applying measures necessary to sustain the existing form, integrity, and materials of an historic property. Work, including preliminary measures to protect and stabilize the property, generally focuses upon the ongoing maintenance and repair of historic materials and features rather than extensive replacement and new construction. New exterior additions are not within the scope of this treatment; however, the limited and sensitive upgrading of mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems and other code-required work to make properties functional is appropriate within a preservation project.

Reconstruction: defined as the act or process of depicting, by means of new construction, the form, features, and detailing of a non-surviving site, landscape, building, structure, or object for the purpose of replicating its appearance at a specific period of time and in its historic location.

Rehabilitation: defined as the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.

Restoration is defined as the act or process of accurately depicting the form, features, and character of a property as it appeared at a particular period of time by means of the removal of features from other periods in its history and reconstruction of missing features from the restoration period. The limited and sensitive upgrading of mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems and other code-required work to make properties functional is appropriate within a restoration project.

Helpful Links

Please see the CCHS Preservation tab on our website for a full list of resources on preservation.

Cumberland County Register of Historic Places

- <https://www.historicalsociety.com/outreach/cumberland-county-register-of-historic-places/>

Cumberland County Comprehensive Plan

- <https://www.ccpa.net/3546/Cumberland-County-Comprehensive-Plan>

HARB (Historic Architectural Review Board) Districts in Cumberland County:

- Carlisle Borough
 - <https://www.carlislepa.org/government-and-officials/boards-commissions/historical-and-architectural-review-board/>
 - <https://www.carlislepa.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/HARB-Guidelines.pdf>
- Mechanicsburg Borough
 - <http://mechanicsburgborough.org/harb/>
- Shippensburg Borough
 - <http://www.borough.shippensburg.pa.us/boardscommissions/harb/>
- Upper Allen Township
 - <https://ecode360.com/8574418>

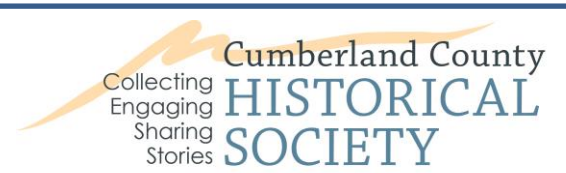
National Register of Historic Places

- <https://www.nps.gov/nr/>
- <http://www.nationalregisterofhistoricplaces.com/pa/cumberland/state.html>

Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission

- Cultural Resources Geographic Information System (CGRIS): An inventory of the historic and archaeological sites and surveys stored in the file of the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office (PA SHPO)
 - <https://www.dot7.state.pa.us/CRGIS>
- Process to nominate a site for a State Historical Marker
 - <http://www.phmc.pa.gov/Preservation/Historical-Markers/Pages/default.aspx>
- Process for a National Register Application

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- <http://www.phmc.pa.gov/Preservation/National-Register/Pages/default.aspx>

Zoning

- Each municipality varies on their zoning and preservation planning. Check the municipality that your site/landscape/resource is located to learn more.