

# Delaware Preservation Fund, Inc

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<https://www.preservationde.org/preservation-fund>

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To all cities, towns, villages, historical societies, and organizations of Delaware, as addressed, as well as all those individuals concerned for Delaware's living history

## **Applications invited for 2022 Small Grants Program**

The Delaware Preservation Fund is presently accepting applications for its next round of Mini Grants. The deadline for applications is **Friday, December 17, 2021**. If you have a historical preservation project, or know of someone in your community working on a project that may qualify, **please pass this information on** to them.

Our Small Grants program aims to support minor works which make a big difference in the preservation of an historic property. All owners of historic resources in Delaware are eligible to apply. Our grant amounts generally range from \$1,000 to \$5,000. Much depends on the number of applications we receive, as the available funding is limited. This year we have additional funding available for **archaeological projects**, thanks to a special grant from the State legislature.

Our one page application form may be downloaded from the Preservation Delaware website, at <https://preservationde.org/small-grants-program>. Guidelines for applications are set out on the website. All applications and supporting documentation should be addressed to:

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For those who do not have internet access, or who are unable to print, they may call 443-504-2049 or email [dpf@dca.net](mailto:dpf@dca.net) to get hard copies mailed.

Grant application forms should be accompanied by a short covering letter, and non-returnable color photographs. We also recommend that a copy of the application form (only) be emailed. We prefer that all photographs be mailed. Prior permission is required to submit photographs by e-mail. Approval will be dependent on file sizes and file types. Some file types may be too large, and others may not be readable due to software incompatibilities. Please check the website for other requirements.

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Late grant applications will be considered, but on time applications will take priority. Applicants will be notified of the outcome as soon as a decision is made, usually in February. Work covered by grants awarded by the Fund must be completed within twelve months. Any work done in 2021 and already completed is also eligible for a 2022 grant. Before and after photos are required for completed projects.

Those in need of greater assistance are invited to consider our low fee, rehabilitation loans program. Loans are available for much larger amounts, generally up to about \$80,000. Our loans are short term (1-3 years) and are intended to provide bridging to regular finance. This also allows us to help more people. As old loans are repaid, new loans can be made available. A no fee loan inquiry form is all that is necessary to initiate the loan process. Loan applications may be submitted at any time of the year.

Grants and loans are available for buildings which are on, or eligible for listing on the National Register, or which are in a designated local or national historic district. Historic resources, such as ships, railroad items, fountains, cemeteries or statuary that may be listed individually, or which contribute to local or National Register historic districts, also qualify for consideration. All proposed work needs to comply with the relevant Secretary of the Interior's standards.

The Delaware Preservation Fund is a subsidiary of Preservation Delaware, and is dedicated to the preservation of the historic built environment of Delaware. All Delaware Preservation Fund programs are made possible through the generosity of the Longwood Foundation and the Delaware State Legislature.

Thank you for your continuing commitment to Delaware's irreplaceable heritage. We look forward to working with you and your members, constituents, friends or associates. Please let me know if we have addressed you incorrectly, so that we may keep our mailing list accurate and up to date.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. You can e-mail us at [dpf@dca.net](mailto:dpf@dca.net), or call me on my cell phone 443 504 2049. Please leave a voicemail message if I am not able to take your call. You may also visit us on Facebook for updates and progress reports. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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