

The Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office (PA SHPO), a bureau of the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission (PHMC), leads the statewide historic preservation planning process.

Pennsylvania's Statewide Historic Preservation Planning Process:

- Encourages broad public participation from communities of all types and sizes throughout the state.
- Provides opportunities, for example through an online survey, for the public and preservation partners to help identify issues and create a vision for the future of older and historic places in our communities.
- Collaborates with diverse partners and voices at the local, regional, state, and federal level.
- Seeks information from other local, state, and federal planning efforts.

Pennsylvania's Statewide Historic Preservation Plan:

- Addresses the wide range of historic and cultural resources that represent PA's communities.
- Analyzes trends that affect historic resources.
- Identifies and addresses challenges unique to PA.
- Serve as a general guide for decision-making and a resource for communities.
- Influences preservation policy in local and state governments.
- Empowers local communities, organizations, and individuals to action to address preservation challenges in our communities.

