**Historic Preservation**

**Community Size [# acres]**

**[#] of Historic Structures**

**Historic Structure #1 [year]**

**Historic Structure #2 [year]**

**Highlights**

**Background:** Planned Communities are frequently built on land with a previous use and identity, and often those previous uses have had buildings associated with them. By maintaining the historic identity of that space and utilizing a historic building on site as a community center or other neighborhood service, an HOA can create a walkable destination within the community while honoring the previous use of the land and giving residents a connection to the property’s history. However, preserving a historic property typically requires funding.

To preserve historic structures on community property, the HOA will participate in the following efforts:

**Complete by:**

[date/year]

**action HPR1**

**Resident Engagement**

**Action: Convene a community input session to discuss possible uses for adaptively reusing your historic resource, including potential models for revenue generation. Be sure to first identify any restrictions on types of uses in place, either by the HOA or by your municipality.**

**Potential Partners**:

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* text

**Potential Resources:**

* text
* text

**Progress and Implementation Notes:**

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* text

**Complete by:**

[date/year]

**action HPR2**

**Action: Once your HOA's historic resource is documented, share its story with residents and the greater community through newsletter articles, signage, tours, etc.**

**Potential Partners**:

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**Potential Resources:**

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* text

**Progress and Implementation Notes:**

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* text

**Action**: **Attend a meeting of your municipality's Historic Commission, introduce your historic resource, and discuss partnership opportunities.**

**Complete by:**

[date/year]

**action HPC1**

**Connections and Partnerships**

**Potential Partners**:

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**Potential Resources:**

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**Progress and Implementation Notes:**

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* text

**action HPC2**

**Action: Work with your municipality/Historic Commission to document the history of your HOA's historic resource.**

**Potential Partners**:

**Complete by:**

[date/year]

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**Potential Resources:**

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**Progress and Implementation Notes:**

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* text

**action HPC3**

**Action: Discuss your community's adaptive reuse or historic preservation project with your municipality and Historic Commission.**

**Potential Partners**:

**Complete by:**

[date/year]

* Chester County Historic Preservation Network
* Preservation PA
* Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia
* Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County

**Potential Resources:**

* Chester County Historic Preservation Network <http://www.cchpn.org/>
* Preservation PA <https://www.preservationpa.org/>
* Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia <https://preservationalliance.com/>
* Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County <https://hptrust.org/>
* <https://www.chescoplanning.org/Historic/Historic.cfm>

**Progress and Implementation Notes:**

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* text

**action HPC4**

**Action: Work with municipality to adopt a Historic Resources Preservation Policy and Regulations with a focus on Adaptive Reuse. These Policies should align with Chester County's Heritage Tourism Plan and Heritage Interpretive Network.**

**Potential Partners**:

**Complete by:**

[date/year]

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**Potential Resources:**

* eTool on adaptive reuse – <https://www.chescoplanning.org/MuniCorner/eTools/02-AdaptiveReuse.cfm>

**Progress and Implementation Notes:**

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* text

**Taking Action**

**action HPA1**

**Action**: **Work with a consultant to develop a master plan for your community's historic structure, including a statement of probable construction costs and fundraising strategies for the planned improvements.**

**Potential Partners**:

**Complete by:**

[date/year]

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**Potential Resources:**

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**Progress and Implementation Notes:**

* text
* text

**action HPA2**

**Action: Partner with your local municipality or a non-profit organization to apply for funding for restoration, retrofits, or other projects aligned with your community's vision.**

**Potential Partners**:

**Complete by:**

[date/year]

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* text

**Potential Resources:**

* PA State Historic Preservation Office Grants <https://www.pa.gov/en/agencies/phmc/historic-preservation/grants-and-funding.html%25>
* National Trust for Historic Preservation Appell Grant <https://savingplaces.org/appell-fund>

**Progress and Implementation Notes:**

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**General Resources**

* **Chester County Water Resources Authority website**

<https://www.chesco.org/158/Water-Resources-Authority>

* **Stormwater eTool**

<https://www.chescoplanning.org/MuniCorner/eTools/69-StormwaterBMPs.cfm>

* **Recorder of Deeds**

<https://www.chesco.org/431/Records-Search>