



November 2018

[Our Vision](#)

[FAQ's](#)

[Contact Us](#)

[News/Events](#)

LCHIP Land & Community Heritage Investment Program



Welcome!

These are exciting days at LCHIP. The Review Panels met during the first weeks of October, providing recommendations to the Board about which projects best fit the LCHIP selection criteria and how far the budgeted \$3.5 million in funding can be stretched. LCHIP received grant requests totaling \$6.3 million and the Board will meet on November 15 to decide how to allocate the available money among the projects.



LCHIP's new location at 3 N Spring St., Suite 100, Concord. Entrance and parking are located on the north (right) side of the building.

In other news, LCHIP moved into a new office on October 17. It's quite an improvement, being more centrally located and large enough to provide separate offices for each permanent staff person.

As Thanksgiving approaches, I wish you good company, good food and many reasons to be grateful.

Dijit Taylor
LCHIP Executive Director

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

Project News

Hancock Meetinghouse

The spires that rise above New Hampshire's historic villages are enduring icons of the state. Hancock's nearly two-hundred-year-old Federal-style meetinghouse is a prime example, and in an unusual twist is still under shared ownership of town and church. A recently completed LCHIP-funded project to repair the steeple was substantially assisted by a distinctly twenty-first century innovation: digital drone photography.

A remote-controlled camera provided detailed photos of parts of the building normally too difficult to see and inspect, especially the lofty upper parts of the multi-stage tower. The drone photographs allowed for a better understanding of existing conditions and thus more accurate plans for the needed rehabilitation.

Modern technology has been applied to position this masterpiece of early American architecture to shine forth for years to come. Read more about the meetinghouse [here](#).



Hancock Meetinghouse



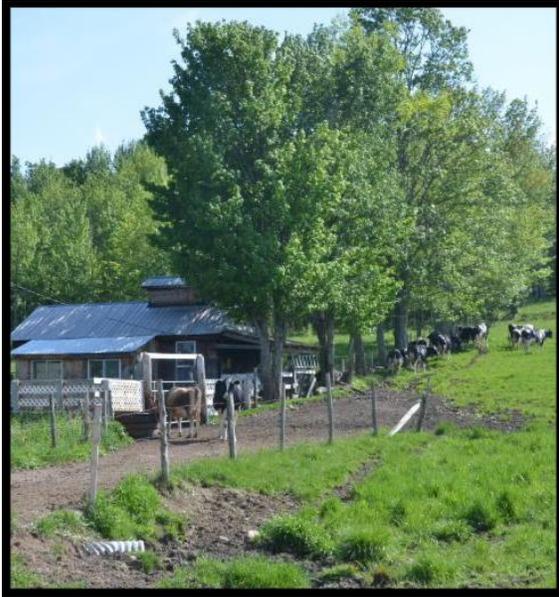
Drone images provided key information about the condition of the spire on the Hancock Meetinghouse. Photo: DEW Construction Corp.

Peters Farm

LCHIP was honored to partner with the [Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust \(ACT\)](#) to conserve Gary and Sandy Peters' family farm in Bath - over 200 acres of rolling pastures, cropland, and forest. A maintained snowmobile trail crosses the property which is open to public use. The fields there have been identified as some of the highest-quality examples of grassland bird habitat in the state.

Both Gary and Sandy are natives of Bath and their families have deep roots in the area. Gary has long been involved in the [Grafton County Conservation District](#) and chairs the district commission. He has also served on the Grafton County Farm Advisory Board and the NH Milk Sanitation Board. Sandy is active with the [Bath Historical Society](#) and was involved with [4-H](#) for over 30 years. With the conservation easement now in place, Gary and Sandy will continue to live on the farm, growing corn and hay, tending bees and chickens, making syrup, raising cows, and selling milk.

ACT is a nationally accredited land trust that has partnered with LCHIP on several land conservation projects including [Robie Farm](#) in Piermont, the [Cooley-Jericho Community Forest](#) in Easton and the [Johnson Farm](#) in Monroe. To learn more about this locally based, grassroots land conservancy, check out this [video](#)!



The Peters Farm sugarhouse and part of their dairy herd Photo: Rebecca A. Brown



Peters' dairy cows Photo: Rebecca A. Brown

2017 LCHIP Grant Recipients

Bartlett - Bartlett Roundhouse	Lebanon - Rogers House
Belmont - Currier-Sanborn Conservation Area	Littleton - Littleton Community Center Carriage House
Bennington - Crotched Mountain West	Lyndeborough - Proctor Preserve
Canaan - Union Academy	Marlow - Jones Hall
Canterbury - Cart Shed Planning Study	Nashua - St. Mary & Archangel Michael Church
Concord - Chamberlin House	Ossipee - Munroe Preserve
Concord - Kimball Jenkins Carriage House	Peterborough - Peterborough Town House
Deerfield - Beye-Pendleton Conservation Project	Peterborough - Unitarian Universalist Church
Derry - First Parish Church	Portsmouth - Rundlet-May House
Dover - Hale House	Rindge - Woman's Memorial Bell Tower
Dover - Woodman House Planning Study	Rye - Rye Town Hall
Durham - Harriman Farm	Rye - St. Andrew's-by-the-Sea
Farmington - Leary Fields & Forest	Rye - Star Island, Oceanic Hotel
Grafton - Hinkson's Carding Mill	Salisbury - Little Mountain Forest

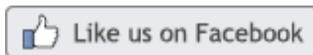
Greenfield - <u>Greenfield Meetinghouse Planning Study</u>	Statewide - <u>Preservation Planning Grant</u>
Hancock - <u>Hancock Meetinghouse</u>	Stratham - <u>Barker's Farm</u>
Haverhill - <u>Rocky Hill Farm Meadows</u>	Warner - <u>Brown Conservation Easement</u>
Haverhill - <u>Wentworth-Brown House</u>	Washington - <u>Washington Meetinghouse</u>
Jaffrey - <u>Royce Conservation Easement</u>	Westmoreland - <u>Chickering Farm</u>
Laconia - <u>Belknap Mill</u>	Wolfeboro - <u>Wolfeboro Railroad Freight Shed</u>
Langdon - <u>Langdon Meetinghouse</u>	



The **NH Conservation License Plate (Moose Plate) Program** supports the protection of critical resources in our state. You can purchase a Moose Plate at any time - for your new car, for a car that's already registered, or even for a friend! Find out more at mooseplate.com. Income from the Moose Plate Program pays for much of LCHIP's administrative expenses. LCHIP thanks Moose Plate holders for their support!

Headline Photo:

Panelists and LCHIP staff discuss project proposals during the Historic Resource Review Panel in October.



Land & Community Heritage Investment Program
 3 N Spring Street, Suite 100, Concord, NH 03301
 Phone: 603-224-4113

