## Lower Makefield Township Historical Commission 2024 Goals and Objectives

RESOLUTION NO. 323 (1977) - RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, CREATING A HISTORICAL COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF SURVEYING THE TOWNSHIP TO DESIGNATE STRUCTURES AND BUILDINGS WHICH MAY BE OF HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND TO RECOMMEND TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THE CREATION OF A ZONING DISTRICT FOR THE PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL STRUCTURES AND BUILDINGS.

## Advocate for preservation of township historic resources

- Continue work on the preservation of Slate Hill Cemetery. (Monica Hinden, Tom Argentieri)
  - Resubmit application for Keystone Preservation Grant
  - Beautification of the cemetery (e.g. Community Clean-Up Day, planting wildflowers, assessing health of trees, etc.)
  - Cleaning of grave markers
- List Patterson Farm to the National Register of Historic Places. (Helen Heinz, Joe Camaratta)
- Support Board of Supervisors and Township in implementation of Patterson Farm Master Plan or assessing additional buildings assigned to Ad Hoc Property Committee. (Joe Camaratta)

## Curate resources on township history

- Catalog township-owned materials on township history and historic resources to augment Lower Makefield Township Historical Society listing on <u>Philadelphia Area</u> <u>Archives Research Portal (PAARP)</u>. (Chris Greeley, Lisa Pelligrino)
- Update the 2007 Historic Resources Survey to understand the history of Lower
  Makefield Township through the evolution of land use as demonstrated by the built
  environment, and identify architectural or land use transitions that might have resulted
  from cultural, economic, technological, and social changes and should be further
  explored for historical significance. (Jeffrey Bedser, Jim Sachs)

## Educate on township history and importance of preservation

- Collaborate with the Parks & Recreation Department and appropriate Bucks County organizations on events that highlight the history of the township for America 250 celebration in 2026. (Helen Heinz, Mitch Palin)
- Implement Slate Hill Cemetery Interpretation Project. (Tom Argentieri, Cathy Hanville)

- Organize Slate Hill Cemetery Ghost Walk. (Monica Hinden, Victor Fiori)
- Provide four hours of continuing education and training on historic preservation targeted at members of the Historical Commission and Historic Architectural Review Board (fulfills LMT's obligations as a Certified Local Government. (Joe Camaratta)