### What participants are saying....

"We wanted to protect the property and are pleased with the availability of the 10% tax credit. The designation has few restrictions, and we're glad to bring awareness to the preservation of historic homes."

-- Ms. Susan Shannon

"It is an honor to be in a historic district, and the process to join is simple and easy as pie."

-- Dr. Harry Lenderman

"We appreciate the support of the HDC and are happy to know that our home will be preserved for future generations."

-- Mr. & Mrs. William Rowe

"...We feel honored to have our home protected."
-- Audrey and Ronald W. Edwards

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# HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN CECIL COUNTY



CECIL COUNTY
HISTORIC DISTRICT
COMMISSION

# Cecil County Government adopted a Historic Preservation Ordinance that created a Historic District Commission in 2000.

#### **MISSION**

- Preserve the County's historic resources such as old buildings.
- Inform and educate citizens about their historic heritage.
- Recommend to the County Council, upon application by the owner, that a property be designated as a historic site.

#### **DESIGNATION BENEFITS**

- 10% property tax credit for approved restoration efforts.
- Potential property value increase.
- Perpetual protection from demolition for the property.
- Preserve the County's past.

#### **EASY TO APPLY**

- Fill out and mail the tear-off form at the end of this brochure, or;
- Obtain a nomination form from the Cecil County Office of Planning & Zoning (OP&Z).
- · Complete, sign, and return form to OP&Z.
- You will be notified and encouraged to attend the Historic Commission review of your application.

#### **DESIGNATION STANDARDS**

- Property must have historic, architectural, or archaeological significance.
- Historic significance may be architectural features or association with prominent person or important event.

#### **JURISDICTION**

 Provides the same recognition to unincorporated County areas as municipal commissions in Charlestown, Chesapeake City, and Port Deposit.

Once designated, the only restriction involves protection from demolition!





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## DESIGNATION PROCESS ONLY APPLIES TO PROPERTIES OUTSIDE OF TOWN LIMITS

Please fill in the following information, cut out, and mail to the address on reverse side:

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Property Name:
Property Address:
Approximate Age of structure:

Visit the HDC's website at: http://www.ccgov.org/dept\_planning/historic.cfm