

YEAR-END NEWSLETTER

2018 Year in Review for **Preservation Action** and the **Preservation Action Foundation**



2018 HIGHLIGHTS:

PA Takes Action
Capitol Hill Briefing
Candidates Survey
Young Professionals
New Look, Same Cause
Gold Rush in SF

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVOCACY WEEK

Preservation Action was excited to host another successful National Historic Preservation Advocacy Week this year. After a day of trainings and briefings, nearly 250 advocates from across the country descended on the Hill, where we held 200 meetings representing 40 states. We also hosted the “Champions of the Historic Tax Credit” congressional reception to celebrate members of Congress for their vocal support of the Historic Tax Credit during last year’s tax reform debate. At the reception, 12 members of Congress gave rousing speeches in support of the Historic Tax Credit.

We’re looking to build on that success as we prepare for Advocacy Week 2019. We hope you’ll join us **March 12-14, 2019, in Washington, DC**. Registration will be live in early January. Check out our [website](#) to get all of the details.

CAPITOL HILL BRIEFING

Preservation Action brought Preservation Month to Capitol Hill by hosting the first Preservation Month Capitol Hill Briefing. Working closely with the Historic Preservation Caucus, we brought together representatives from leading national preservation organizations and governmental entities. Together we educated Congressional staff and members on how the federal historic preservation program worked and urged them to recognize National Preservation Month by visiting a Historic Tax Credit project or historic site in their state/district.

PA TAKES ACTION

Through programs like our weekly Legislative Updates, Action Alerts on social media, and monthly calls with a network of state and local preservation organizations, Preservation Action continues to bring you the latest, quality preservation news and alerts from Washington. When legislation threatens the Historic Tax Credit, or undermines preservation protections, Preservation Action provides the tools you need to **TAKE ACTION**.



CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES SURVEY

Ahead of the 2018 midterm Congressional elections, Preservation Action surveyed candidates in an effort to keep Americans informed on where their candidates for office stand on the national historic preservation program, and to educate candidates on key historic preservation programs. We received responses from nearly 150 Congressional candidates, representing 37 states and the D.C.. The results show historic preservation is a bipartisan issue and recognized as an important federal policy initiative by candidates from across the country. Visit our [website](#) to see the full results.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS HAPPY HOUR AT MAIN STREET NOW CONFERENCE

To engage younger audiences about grassroots historic preservation lobbying, we hosted a Young Professionals Happy Hour at the Main Street Now Conference in March. Over 25 people from 10 states mingled over cocktails in a Kansas City speakeasy. The event was co-hosted by Preservation Action, Rust Belt Coalition of Young Preservationists, and Historic St. Joseph Foundation. We plan to make this an annual event!

NEW LOOK, SAME CAUSE

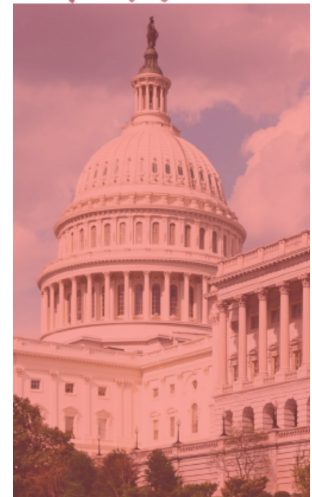
With the help of numerous board members, Preservation Action and Preservation Action Foundation redesigned our website and crafted a new membership brochure. Our membership numbers are up 9% since 2017 and we are seeking new board members. If you're a grassroots preservationist, your agenda is our agenda – and we look to you to help us shape our priorities. Join us today!

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Honoring our historical sites reminds every new generation of the sacrifices made to advance our pursuit for truth.

Senator Edward S. Gilbert Jr. (I-VT), in response to the PA Candidates Survey

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GOLD RUSH PARTY AND ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

In November at the PastForward Conference in San Francisco, Preservation Action Foundation hosted our Legendary Party and Live Auction. Concurrently, our online silent auction featured items from across the country and a special edition Tiny Jane Doll.

Thanks to your help we helped raise critical funds for preservation advocacy and education efforts. We especially want to thank our many donors, who helped us put together fantastic and unique auction items, and our sponsors who helped make it all possible.

On the final day of the conference, we held our Annual Members Meeting where members heard updates on programs from 2018 and had lively discussions about action items for 2019.

