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Whippany Burying Yard

\$18,320 Preservation Plan
\$39,859 Tombstone Restoration
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\$2019 \$26,044 Gate Restoration
\$2020 \$20,995 Stones & Lane Restoration

Grant Recipient: Hanover Township Location: Hanover Twp.

The Whippany Burying Yard has significant historical value because of its great age, the nature of the headstones, and its existence in one of the earliest settlements of the area, namely Whippanong. Since 1718, many notable persons have been interred there, including veterans of the French and Indian War, Revolutionary War, War of 1812 and the Civil War, as well as two of the six founding judges of Morris County. Renowned Revolutionary War storytellers, Keturah Tuttle and Abigail Kitchel Tuttle Vail, are interred in the yard. The burying yard includes exceptional examples of 18th Century carvers' art. The original Presbyterian church existed at the location until 1755.

The 2007 grant assisted with the preparation of a National Register Nomination and a Historic Preservation Plan.

The 2017 grant provided for stabilization and preservation of 13 gravestones from the 18th and 19th century.

The 2018 grant provided for stabilization and preservation of eighteen 18th and 19th C. gravestones. This would address all the stones in the Preservation Plan.

The 2019 grant assisted with preservation of nine headstones and repair and reinstallation of 3 wrought iron gates and their finials.

The 2020 grant provided for restoration of the central lane driveway, and restoration of 9 headstones.