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First Presbyterian Church of Boonton

2010 \$19,600 Preservation Plan
2011 \$36,266 Stairs and Window
2014 \$109,840 Window Preservation
2016 \$35,000 Exterior Restoration

Grant Recipient: First Presbyterian Church of Boonton

Location: Boonton Town

The First Presbyterian Church of Boonton was established in the Town of Boonton in 1832. The first Church building was constructed at the corner of Church and Birch Streets in 1833, and the existing structure in 1859. The property was donated by the New Jersey Iron Company. The original building served for a time as a public meeting hall. The current building is architecturally distinctive: Gothic Revival style, a tower with a witch's hat steeple, triangular arched openings fit with deep overhanging hoods supported by brackets & exposed rafter tails. The Church is a contributing building in the Boonton Historic District, listed on the New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places.

The 2010 grant provided for the completion of a Preservation Plan for the church building.

The 2011 grant has assisted with the replacement of the Church Street stairs and railing, removal of a wheelchair lift, and restoration of a badly deteriorated stained glass window.

The 2014 grant completed the restoration of the stained glass windows in the apse and narthex.

The 2016 grant provided for the restoration of the tower windows and painting of exterior woodwork.