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Hancock Cemetery

2007 \$3,650 Plot Fence

2018 \$7,140 Preservation Plan

Grant Recipient: Florham Park Borough **Location:** Florham Park Boro.

The John Hancock Cemetery, with the adjacent Hancock house and cider mill, is one of the only town properties on the NJ and National Register of Historic Places existing in Florham Park. It is associated with John Hancock (1776-1854), credited with being the "father" of Methodism in this area and also a member of the NJ State Legislature. At first, the cemetery, located on his farm, was a family cemetery; but John Hancock stipulated in his will that it should become a public place. It is the resting place of many of the community's early families as well as many who were associated with the early years of Madison's Methodist church and Drew Theological Seminary.

The 2007 grant has provided for the restoration of a plot boundary fence.

The 2018 grant completed a Preservation Plan including treatment recommendations for individual markers.