Howard County Historical Society Awarded a Conservation Assessment Program Grant
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The Howard County Historical Society (HCHS), a non-profit organization based in Ellicott City, MD, is pleased to announce that it has received a 2011 Conservation Assessment Program Grant from Heritage Preservation and the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

HCHS will use the grant to hire two experienced assessors, one architectural and one for its collection, to survey, assess, and report on the condition of the historic museum building (which was the 1st Presbyterian Church in Ellicott City) and the museum and archival collections.

The resulting reports will be used to develop systems to ensure the collections and building are properly maintained and preserved.

"We are thrilled and honored to have received a Conservation Assessment Program Grant," says HCHS Executive Director, Lauren McCormack. "It is especially important at this transitional time for the institution that we ensure the safety and preservation of our collections for future generations," she said.

In late 2011, the Howard County Historical Society will be moving its Library and Archive from its currently local on Court Avenue to the new Charles E. Miller Branch and Historical Center of the Howard County Public Library system.

At the new center, the public will have increased and easier access to the Society's library and archival collections.

The HCHS Museum will remain in its present location at 8328 Court Avenue, Ellicott City.

The Howard County Historical Society is a 501(c)3, non-profit, educational institution dedicated to the preservation of Howard County's history and to sharing that history with the public.

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