



Preserve America Community Designation Events in 2004

January 15, 2004, White House, Washington, DC: First Lady Laura Bush designates the first eight Preserve America communities for their commitment to protecting the historic heritage of their hometowns. The designated communities are:

Augusta, Georgia	Dorchester County, Maryland	Steamboat Springs, Colorado
Castroville, Texas	Key West, Florida	Versailles, Kentucky
Delaware, Ohio	Putnam County, New York	

March 18, 2004, Capitol Hill, Washington, DC: Representatives Brad Miller and Michael Turner, Historic Preservation Caucus co-chairs, host the second Preserve America Community designation event with Assistant Secretary Lynn Scarlett, Department of the Interior (DOI), and Chairman John Nau, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP). The designated communities are:

Biloxi, Hattiesburg, Pascagoula, and Port Gibson, Mississippi	Franklin, Tennessee
Bristol, Cranston, and Warren, Rhode Island	Fresno, California
Burlington, Vermont	Rock Island, Illinois
Cheyenne, Wyoming	Smithfield and Williamsburg, Virginia
Douglas, Grand Rapids, and Saugatuck, Michigan	Virginia City, Montana
Fort Myers, Florida	White Mountain Apache Tribe, Arizona

March 20, 2004, Augusta, Georgia: Augusta mayor and ACHP member Bob Young hosts the third Preserve America Community designation ceremony, with DOI Secretary Gale Norton presenting the designations. The designated Georgia communities are:

Kennesaw	Madison	Rome
Macon	Monticello	Whitfield County

April 20, 2004, Louisville, Kentucky: Mrs. Bush is joined by DOI Assistant Secretary Lynn Scarlett and ACHP Chairman John Nau in the fourth Preserve America Community designation ceremony. The designated Kentucky communities are:

Anchorage	Cynthiana	Harrodsburg	Midway	Shelbyville
Ashland	Danville	Henderson	Mount Sterling	Springfield
Bardstown	Elizabethtown	Horse Cave	Murray	Versailles
Bowling Green	Erlanger	LaGrange	Newport	Winchester
Cadiz	Fort Thomas	Lebanon	Paducah	
Carrollton	Glasgow	Madisonville	Richmond	
Covington	Greensburg	Maysville	Scottsville	

May 7, 2004, Fort Worth, Texas: The fifth Preserve America Community designation event is held by Texas First Lady Anita Perry, Assistant Secretary David A. Sampson, U.S. Department of Commerce, and ACHP Chairman John Nau, who is also the chairman of the Texas Historical Commission. The designated Texas communities are:

Atlanta	Electra	Marshall	Odessa
Castroville	Granbury	Mesquite	Pharr
Cuero	Hearne	Milam County	Victoria County
Denton	Kerrville	Nacogdoches	Waxaha

July 19, 2004, Astoria, Oregon: Sandy Baruah, chief of staff for the Federal Economic Development Administration, headlines a Preserve America Community designation ceremony, reading aloud a letter from Mrs. Bush. Joining him are representatives from the Astoria City Council, Astoria-Warrenton Chamber of Commerce, Lower Columbia Preservation Society, Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Association, Columbia River Maritime Museum, and others.

July 23, 2004, Prescott, Arizona: City residents and government officials celebrate the designation of Prescott as a Preserve America Community with a ceremony at the Yavapai County Courthouse Plaza. After touring other historic sites in the city, Mark Rey, Undersecretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, presents Mayor Simmons with the certificate.

July 24, 2004, Corinth, Mississippi: In conjunction with the dedication of the Corinth Civil War Interpretive Center, ACHP Chairman John Nau presents Corinth with a Preserve America designation certificate signed by the First Lady. Among the officials speaking at the two special events are Senators Thad Cochran and Trent Lott; Mississippi Senate President Pro-Tempore Travis Little; Mississippi Archives Director Ken P'Poole; Civil War Preservation Trust President James Lighthizer; and National Park Service chief historian Dwight Pitcaithley.

August 18, 2004, Ritzville, Washington: Dr. David A. Sampson, Assistant Secretary for Economic Development, U.S. Department of Commerce, presents a certificate of designation as a Preserve America community to community officials. Ritzville is the first community in Washington State to receive such a designation.

August 19, 2004: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letters of congratulations to 62 communities – for a total to date of 169 designated Preserve America Communities.

September 10, 2004, Oberlin, Ohio: Citizens of Oberlin celebrated its designation as a Preserve America Community at an event with Mark Rey, Undersecretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

September 13, 2004: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letter of congratulations to 9 communities – for a total to date of 178 designated Preserve America Communities.

September 21, 2004, Dayton, Ohio: Dayton is recognized in a local event featuring Secretary of Agriculture Ann Veneman, who was accompanied by Representative Michael Turner, co-chair of the U.S. House of Representatives Preservation Caucus and former mayor of Dayton.

September 27, 2004, Madison, Indiana: National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers President Edward F. Sanderson and ACHP Executive Director John Fowler present a certificate of designation to Madison's Mayor Albert G. Huntington. Representative Baron P. Hill attended the ceremony.

September 27, 2004, Dorchester County, Maryland: U.S. Department of Agriculture Deputy Undersecretary R. Mack Gray participates in a county site tour and celebration of Dorchester County's Preserve America Community designation with local officials and citizens. Dorchester County's Preserve America Community sign was presented at the event.

September 29, 2004, Natchitoches, Louisiana: As part of a visit to Shreveport, Louisiana, Mrs. Laura Bush recognizes Natchitoches as a Preserve America Community.

November 18, 2004, Charlottesville, Virginia: ACHP Chairman John Nau, NPS Director Fran Mainella, and Virginia State Historic Preservation Officer Kathleen Kirkpatrick honor five Virginia communities in the Rotunda of the University of Virginia. Alexandria, Hanover County, Lynchburg, Petersburg, and Warrenton are recognized.

November 24, 2004: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letter of congratulations to 16 communities – for a total to date of 194 designated Preserve America Communities. The communities are:

Birmingham, Alabama

Monterey, California

Coral Gables, Florida

Crown Point, Indiana

Cloverport, Kentucky

Hopkinsville, Kentucky

Nicholasville, Kentucky

Perryville, Kentucky

Lowell, Massachusetts

Great Neck Plaza, New York

Newburgh, New York

Shawnee, Oklahoma

Carlisle, Pennsylvania

Abilene, Texas

Bastrop, Texas

Paris, Texas



Preserve America Community Designation Events in 2005

January 25, 2005: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letter of congratulations to 26 communities – for a total to date of 220 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 26 new communities are:

Mobile, Alabama	Annapolis, Maryland	Ardmore, Oklahoma
Santa Monica, California	Worcester County, Maryland	Anderson, South Carolina
Greeley, Colorado	Brockport, New York	Mineola, Texas
Silverton, Colorado	Ithaca, New York	Centerville, Utah
Boise, Idaho	Liberty, New York	Payson, Utah
Frankfort, Kentucky	Rochester, New York	Dayton, Washington
Hart County, Kentucky	Roxbury, New York	Edmonds, Washington
New Castle, Kentucky	Gaston Co., North Carolina	Roslyn, Washington
West Point, Kentucky	Gastonia, North Carolina	

February 4, 2005, Denver, Colorado: ACHP Chairman John Nau and ACHP member Ann Pritzlaff recognize Fort Collins, Greeley, Pueblo, and Silverton, Colorado at the annual Colorado Preservation, Inc. conference.

February 18, 2005, Monterey, California: ACHP Chairman John Nau and Mayor Bob Young of Augusta, Georgia honor Monterey and Santa Monica, California at the quarterly meeting of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

April 1, 2005, Thomasville, Georgia: ACHP Chairman John Nau and Mayor Bob Young of Augusta, Georgia honor Thomasville, Georgia at the annual Georgia Trust Statewide Preservation conference, and read the letter of congratulations from Mrs. Laura Bush.

April 5, 2005: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letter of congratulations to 26 communities—for a total to date of 247 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 26 new communities are:

Eureka Springs, Arkansas	Alpena, Michigan	Canton, Texas
Caldwell, Idaho	Red Wing, Minnesota	Canyon, Texas
Davenport, Iowa	St. Cloud, Minnesota	Sabine County, Texas
Benham, Kentucky	Fredericktown, Missouri	Farmington, Utah
Campbellsville, Kentucky	Fort Benton, Montana	Kanab, Utah
Pikeville, Kentucky	Hatteras Village, North Carolina	Prince William County, Virginia
Pineville, Kentucky	Kinston, North Carolina	Spokane, Washington
Oakland, Maryland	Schenectady, New York	Evanston, Wyoming
St. Mary's County, Maryland	Media, Pennsylvania	

May 18, 2005, Annapolis, Maryland: ACHP Chairman John Nau, NPS Director Fran Mainella, and Maryland State Historic Preservation Officer J. Rodney Little honor all seven Preserve America Communities from Maryland at the quarterly meeting of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. The communities are Annapolis, Cumberland, Dorchester County, Oakland, Snow Hill, St. Mary's County, and Worcester County.

June 20, 2005: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letter of congratulations to 14 communities—for a total to date of 261 designated Preserve America Communities.

The fourteen new communities are:

Sitka, Alaska	Camden, Maine	Brookings, South Dakota
Norwalk, Connecticut	Hooksett, New Hampshire	McAllen, Texas
Leavenworth, Kansas	Pittsford, New York	Winnsboro, Texas
Flemingsburg, Kentucky	Troy, New York	Suffolk, Virginia
London, Kentucky	Ocracoke, North Carolina	

June 30, 2005, Washington, D.C.: Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton, U.S. House of Representatives Historic Preservation Caucus Co-Chair Brad Miller (D-NC), Assistant Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett, and ACHP Chairman John Nau recognize the Preserve America Communities designated by the White House in April, 2005 (see above) in an event on Capitol Hill.

August 16, 2005: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letter of congratulations to 22 communities—for a total to date of 283 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 22 new communities are:

Blytheville, Arkansas	Lawrenceburg, Kentucky	Lead, South Dakota
Helena, Arkansas	Easton, Maryland	Vermillion, South Dakota
Osceola, Arkansas	Gardiner, Maine	Jonesborough, Tennessee
Springerville, Arizona	Cleveland, Mississippi	Galveston, Texas
Williams, Arizona	Keene, New Hampshire	Beverly, West Virginia
Santa Ana, California	Beacon, New York	Bramwell, West Virginia
Georgetown, Colorado	Georgetown, Ohio	
Harlan, Kentucky	Charleston, South Carolina	

October 6, 2005: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letter of congratulations to 12 Vermont communities—for a total to date of 295 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 12 new communities are:

Barre, Vermont	Poultney, Vermont
Bennington, Vermont	Rockingham, Vermont
Brandon, Vermont	St. Albans, Vermont
Brattleboro, Vermont	St. Johnsbury, Vermont
Montpelier, Vermont	Vergennes, Vermont
Morristown, Vermont	Windsor, Vermont

November 9, 2005, Washington, D.C.: Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to the First Lady Anita McBride, U.S. House of Representatives Historic Preservation Caucus Co-Chair Brad Miller (D-NC), Director of the National Park Service Fran Mainella, and ACHP Chairman John Nau recognize Preserve America Communities designated by the White House in the summer of 2005 in an event on Capitol Hill.

November 9, 2005: Mrs. Laura Bush sends letter of congratulations to 22 communities—for a total to date of 317 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 22 new communities are:

Lake City, Colorado	Durant, Oklahoma
Bridgeport, Connecticut	Newkirk, Oklahoma
Wethersfield, Connecticut	Chesterfield, South Carolina
Mason City, Iowa	Dillon, South Carolina
Lynch, Kentucky	El Paso, Texas
Gloucester, Massachusetts	Wimberley, Texas
Stillwater, Minnesota	Herndon, Virginia
Columbus, Mississippi	Spotsylvania County, Virginia
Edenton, North Carolina	Middlebury, Vermont
Rensselaer County, New York	Rutland, Vermont
Schenectady County, New York	Vancouver, Washington



Preserve America Community Designation Events in 2006

January 31, 2006: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 35 communities – for a total to date of 352 designated Preserve America Communities. This round of designations adds two new states, New Jersey and Wisconsin, to those having at least one designated Preserve America Community, bringing the total number of participating states to 47.

The 35 new communities are:

Redlands, California	Historic Portland, Louisville, Kentucky	The District, Nashville, Tennessee
Cripple Creek, Colorado	Salisbury, Maryland	Rugby, Tennessee
Glenwood Springs, Colorado	Cadillac, Michigan	Fredericksburg, Texas
Park County, Colorado	Weston, Missouri	McKinney, Texas
Dalton, Georgia	Red Lodge, Montana	New Braunfels, Texas
LaGrange, Georgia	Terry, Montana	Plano, Texas
Oskaloosa, Iowa	Wall Township, New Jersey	San Marcos, Texas
Waterloo, Iowa	Cortland, New York	King County, Washington
New Albany, Indiana	Peekskill, New York	Palouse, Washington
Bell Court, Lexington, Kentucky	Granville, Ohio	Port Townsend, Washington
Gratz Park, Lexington, Kentucky	Medina, Ohio	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
	Bluffton, South Carolina	Charles Town, West Virginia

February 10, 2006, Denver, Colorado: Undersecretary of Agriculture Mark Rey and ACHP Member Ann Pritzlaff host a Preserve America Community recognition event for recently designated communities in Colorado. The designated communities are:

Cripple Creek, Colorado	Glenwood Springs, Colorado	Park County, Colorado
Georgetown, Colorado	Lake City, Colorado	

March 9, 2006, Washington, DC: Mrs. Laura Bush is joined by Congressmen Michael Turner (OH) and Brad Miller (NC), co-chairs of the House Preservation Caucus, as well as Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton and ACHP chairman John Nau to recognize 23 newly and recently designated Preserve America Communities. They also announced the first 45 Preserve America grants for communities and states.

The newly designated communities are:

Irvington neighborhood, Indianapolis, Indiana

Dumas, Arkansas	Wabasha, Minnesota	Independence, Missouri
Russellville, Kentucky	Vicksburg, Mississippi	Hidalgo, Texas
Tooele County, Utah	Skykomish, Washington	Mannington, West Virginia

Also recognized are the following recently designated communities:

Bell Court neighborhood, Lexington, Kentucky
 Gratz Park neighborhood, Lexington, Kentucky
 Historic Portland neighborhood, Louisville, Kentucky
 The District neighborhood, Nashville, Tennessee

Redlands, California	Wall Township, New Jersey	Charles Town, West Virginia
Salisbury, Maryland	Herndon, Virginia	Fond du Lac, Wisconsin
Red Lodge, Montana	Spotsylvania County,	
Terry, Montana	Virginia	

April 21, 2006: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 10 communities – for a total to date of 372 designated Preserve America Communities.

Yuma, Arizona	Minneapolis, Minnesota	Winooski, Vermont
Elk Grove, California	Missoula, Montana	Harrisonburg, Virginia
Frisco, Colorado	Sparks, Nevada	
Baltimore, Maryland	Brigham City, Utah	

May 2, 2006: Mrs. Laura Bush recognizes two new Arkansas communities while visiting Fort Smith, Arkansas – for a total to date of 374 designated Preserve America Communities.

Fort Smith, Arkansas	Van Buren, Arkansas
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May 12, 2006: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to six communities – for a total to date of 380 designated Preserve America Communities.

Dover-Foxcroft, Maine	York, Pennsylvania	Redmond, Washington
Canton, Mississippi	Salt Lake City, Utah	Richfield, Wisconsin

May 23, 2006, Honolulu, Hawaii: ACHP chairman John Nau and the Honorable Mufi Hannemann, Mayor of Honolulu, announce the first Preserve America community designation in the state of Hawaii, bringing the number of states with a designated Preserve America community to 48 and the total number of designated communities to 381.

Chinatown Special Historic District, Honolulu, Hawaii

July 28, 2006: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 19 communities – for a total to date of 400 designated Preserve America Communities.

Glendale, Arizona	Sioux City, Iowa	Washington County,
Santa Barbara, California	Louisville-West Main Street,	Pennsylvania
Breckenridge, Colorado	Kentucky	Oak Ridge, Tennessee
Durango, Colorado	Baton Rouge, Louisiana	Palestine, Texas
Leadville, Colorado	Charles County, Maryland	Anacortes, Washington
Montezuma County,	Butte-Silver Bow, Montana	
Colorado	Silver City, New Mexico	
Pagosa Springs, Colorado	Fayetteville, North Carolina	
Simsbury, Connecticut		

September 1, 2006, Durango, Colorado: Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett and Chairman John Nau of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation honor three recently designated Preserve America Communities in southwest Colorado.

Durango, Colorado

Montezuma County,
Colorado

Pagosa Springs, Colorado

October 5, Leadville, Colorado: Ann Pritzlaff, Chair of the Preservation Initiatives Committee of the ACHP, recognizes Breckenridge and Leadville, Colorado, two recently designated Preserve America Communities at the closing luncheon of the National Summit of Mining Communities Conference.

October 19, 2006, New Orleans, Louisiana: Three Preserve America Communities are recognized during the Opening Plenary session of the national Preserve America Summit by First Lady Laura Bush, ACHP Chairman John Nau, and Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett. Asheville's new designation brings the total number of designated communities to 401.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Canton, Mississippi

Asheville, North Carolina

November 3, 2006: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 26 communities – for a total to date of 427 designated Preserve America Communities. This round of designations adds one new state, Delaware, to those having at least one designated Preserve America Community, bringing the total number of participating states to 49. It also adds the first designation of a community in a U.S. territory, the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Richmond, California

San Clemente, California

Lewes, Delaware

Milton, Delaware

Sanford, Florida

Lockport, Illinois

Bedford, Indiana

Cumberland, Kentucky

Little Falls, Minnesota

New Ulm, Minnesota

Greenwood, Mississippi

Leland, Mississippi

Great Falls, Montana

Shelter Island, New York

Greenville, North Carolina

Wilmington, North Carolina

Chambersburg, Pennsylvania

Cheltenham Township,

Pennsylvania

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

West Chester, Pennsylvania

Aberdeen, South Dakota

Charlotte Amalie, U.S.

Virgin Islands

Leesburg, Virginia

Scott County, Virginia

Bainbridge Island,

Washington

November 13, 2006, Santa Barbara, California: Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett and Mayor Marty Blum unveil Santa Barbara's Preserve America Community road sign at the Santa Barbara County Courthouse, a National Historic Landmark.



Preserve America Community Designation Events in 2007

January 25, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 31 new communities – for a total of 458 designated Preserve America Communities. Denver and Philadelphia are among the largest cities designated to date.

The 31 new communities are:

Huntsville, Alabama	Anaconda-Deer Lodge, Montana	Grapevine, Texas
San Juan Bautista, California	Billings, Montana	Shiner, Texas
Santa Rosa, California	Lewistown, Montana	Cedarburg, Wisconsin
Denver, Colorado	Stevensville, Montana	De Pere, Wisconsin
Colchester, Connecticut	Manteo, North Carolina	Eau Claire, Wisconsin
Sandersville, Georgia	Wilkes County, North Carolina	Lodi, Wisconsin
Walker County, Georgia	Piqua, Ohio	Mineral Point, Wisconsin
Fort Madison, Iowa	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	Osceola, Wisconsin
Warsaw, Kentucky	Crosbyton, Texas	Stoughton, Wisconsin
Calvert County, Maryland		Waukesha, Wisconsin
Oxford, Mississippi		West Allis, Wisconsin

February 9, 2007: Ann Pritzlaff, Chair of the Preservation Initiatives Committee of the ACHP, recognizes Denver's designation as a Colorado's newest Preserve America Community by presenting the Mayor with the designation certificate, and recognizes six other Colorado communities designated since last year's annual Saving Places statewide preservation conference. The communities honored are:

Breckenridge, Colorado	Frisco, Colorado	Montezuma County, Colorado
Denver, Colorado	Leadville, Colorado	Pagosa Springs, Colorado
Durango, Colorado		

March 9, 2007: Deputy Secretary of Commerce David Sampson recognizes recently designated Preserve America Community of Grapevine, Texas at a local special event.

March 29, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 15 new communities – for a total of 473 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 15 new communities are:

Juneau, Alaska	Ste. Genevieve, Missouri	Wheeling, West Virginia
Fayetteville, Georgia	Cleveland County, North Carolina	Mazomanie, Wisconsin
Wichita, Kansas	German Village, Columbus, Ohio	New Berlin, Wisconsin
Frederick, Maryland	Brownsville, Texas	Ripon, Wisconsin
Menominee, Michigan		Whitewater, Wisconsin
Liberty, Missouri		

April 2, 2007: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Regional Director Bob Young presents a certificate signed by First Lady Laura Bush to Sandersville, Georgia, a recently designated Preserve America community.

April 19, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 13 new communities – for a total of 486 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 13 new communities are:

Ketchikan, Alaska	Kiowa County, Colorado	Wyandotte, Michigan
Little Rock, Arkansas	Otero County, Colorado	Owego, New York
Baca County, Colorado	Prowers County, Colorado	Bellingham, Washington
Bent County, Colorado	Lafayette, Indiana	
Crowley County, Colorado	Saco, Maine	

April 19, 2007: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Chairman John Nau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Regional Director Bob Young present a certificate signed by First Lady Laura Bush to Oxford, Mississippi, a recently designated Preserve America community.

April 20, 2007: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Chairman John Nau and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Regional Director Bob Young present a certificate signed by First Lady Laura Bush to Walker County, Georgia, a recently designated Preserve America community.

April 20, 2007: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Regional Director Bob Young presents a certificate signed by First Lady Laura Bush to Huntsville, Alabama, a recently designated Preserve America community.

April 23, 2007: Deputy Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Ana Maria Farias recognizes the Preserve America Community of El Paso, Texas at a special event.

April 25, 2007: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Chairman John Nau presents certificates to Preserve America Communities Leesburg, Virginia and the recently designated Frederick, Maryland at the Journey Through Hallowed Ground Leadership Summit in Leesburg. Gettysburg, Pennsylvania and Warrenton, Virginia, both Preserve America Communities in the Journey Through Hallowed Ground corridor, are also recognized.

April 25, 2007: ACHP Expert Member Julia King recognizes the Preserve America Community of Calvert County, Maryland at a Preservation Maryland event in St. Mary's City, Maryland.

April 28, 2007: U.S. Congresswoman Marilyn Musgrave, National Park Service Regional Director Mike Snyder, and ACHP Member Ann Pritzlaff present Preserve America Community certificates to Baca County, Bent County, Crowley County, Kiowa County, Otero County, and Prowers County, Colorado, during the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site dedication ceremony in Eads, Colorado.

May 1, 2007: Department of Housing and Urban Development Deputy Regional Director Patricia Hoban-Moore presents a certificate to Wilkes County, North Carolina at a Preserve America Community recognition event in Wilkesboro, North Carolina.

May 4, 2007: Congressman Steve Pearce, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Chairman John Nau, NPS Associate Director Jan Matthews, and New Mexico State Historic Preservation Officer Katherine Slick recognize the Preserve America Community of Silver City, New Mexico in a special event at the Silver City Museum.

May 15, 2007: Deputy Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development Ana Maria Farias recognizes the Preserve America Community of San Marcos, Texas at a special event.

May 16, 2007: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Regional Director Bob Young presents a certificate signed by First Lady Laura Bush to Warsaw, Kentucky, a recently designated Preserve America community. The event is held at the historic Peak-Corkran House/ Warsaw Welcome Center, a focal point for heritage tourists visiting the community.

May 19, 2007: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation member Jay Vogt, South Dakota State Historic Preservation Officer and President of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers, presents a Preserve America Community certificate and road sign to the Mayor of Aberdeen, South Dakota. A guided tour of downtown historic properties follows the ceremony.

May 22, 2007: Mike Capka, Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, presents a Preserve America Community certificate to the Mayor of Little Rock, Arkansas during the Environmental Excellence Awards Luncheon at the International Conference on Ecology and Transportation.

May 22, 2007: Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense Philip Grone, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation member Mark Sadd, and Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer for Ohio Franco Ruffini are all on hand to mark the recent Preserve America Community designations of Piqua, Ohio and of the German Village neighborhood of Columbus, Ohio.

June 1, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 14 new communities, bringing the total number of designated Preserve America Communities to 500, an exciting milestone for the initiative.

The 14 new communities are:

Weaverville, California	Crowley, Louisiana	Easton, Pennsylvania
Harlem, Georgia	Lafayette, Louisiana	Rio Grande City, Texas
Mackay, Idaho	Huron Township, Michigan	White River Junction, Vermont
Coon Rapids, Iowa	Medora, North Dakota	Fairmont, West Virginia
Franklin, Kentucky	Salem, Oregon	

July 5, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to one new community, bring the total number of designated Preserve America Communities to 501 in all 50 states and one territory.

The new community is Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

July 12, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush, Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne, ACHP Chairman John Nau, and Congressmen Brad Miller and Mike Turner, co-chairs of the House Historic Preservation Caucus, participate in a Preserve America event on Capitol Hill to announce the latest winners of Preserve America grants and honor twenty recently designated Preserve America Communities. A full listing may be found in the separate releases for that event.

July 31, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 20 new communities, bringing the total number of designated Preserve America Communities to 521. Several large cities are designated in this group, including Savannah, Georgia, New Orleans, Louisiana and Las Vegas, Nevada.

The 20 new communities are:

St. George Island, Alaska	Carver, Minnesota	Ponca City, Oklahoma
Little Italy, San Diego, California	Baldwyn, Mississippi	Horry County, South Carolina
Savannah, Georgia	Las Vegas, Nevada	Blount County, Tennessee
Letcher County, Kentucky	Dutchess County, New York	Columbia, Tennessee
Mt. Vernon, Kentucky	Ossining, New York	Bradford, Vermont
New Orleans, Louisiana	New Bern, North Carolina	
Ferndale, Michigan	Shelby, North Carolina	
	Canal Winchester, Ohio	

August 2, 2007: Advisory Council Member Ann Pritzlaff and Denver, Colorado Mayor John W. Hickenlooper recognize Denver's status as a Preserve America Community and celebrate the city's recent receipt of a Preserve America grant of \$64,300 for designing and creating a new Denver Heritage Trail.

August 12, 2007: Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett recognizes the Preserve America Community of Ketchikan, Alaska in a ceremony that also celebrates Ketchikan's recent Preserve America grant of \$100,000 for a waterfront wayfinding program.

August 14, 2007: Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett recognizes the Preserve America Community of Juneau, Alaska.

August 16, 2007: Mississippi Governor Haley Barbour, Mitch Butler, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, Department of the Interior, and Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Chairman John Nau recognize all Mississippi Preserve America Communities and Preserve America Grant recipients at a ceremony preceding the quarterly meeting of the ACHP in Vicksburg. The Mayor of Vicksburg greets the participants, and Baldwyn, Mississippi, the most recent designee, is presented with its Preserve America Community certificate.

September 7, 2007: Senator Lamar Alexander joins ACHP Chairman John Nau via teleconference to celebrate the designation of Blount County, Tennessee, the seventh Preserve America Community in the Volunteer State. Jerry Cunningham, Mayor of Blount County, accepts the certificate.

September 10, 2007: HUD Atlanta Regional Director Bob Young joins Savannah, Georgia Mayor Otis Johnson, Coastal Heritage Society Executive Director Scott Smith, Historic Savannah Foundation Executive Director Mark McDonald, Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary Research Coordinator Greg McFall and others at a City Hall ceremony recognizing Savannah's Preserve America Community designation.

September 12, 2007: Texas First Lady Anita Perry and ACHP Chairman John Nau welcome representatives of 31 Texas Preserve America Communities at a statewide recognition event and present a certificate to the Mayor of Calvert, Texas, the newest Texas Preserve America Community. Texas recipients of Preserve America Grants are also recognized. All 57 Texas Preserve America Communities have now participated in a designation or recognition event.

September 13, 2007: John Oliver, Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries, National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration joins Manteo Mayor John Wilson to celebrate the Town of Manteo, North Carolina's designation as a Preserve America Community. The event also celebrates the approval of funding for the University of North Carolina's Coastal Studies Institute campus on Roanoke Island.

September 15, 2007: Deputy Secretary of the Interior Lynn Scarlett and Under Secretary of Agriculture Mark Rey join North Dakota Governor John H. Hoeven and former Governor Edward T. Schafer in recognizing the Preserve America Community designation of Medora, North Dakota. The ceremony is part of a commemoration of the U.S. Forest Service's acquisition of part of Theodore Roosevelt's Elkhorn Ranch as an addition to Little Missouri National Grasslands, adjacent to Theodore Roosevelt National Park and near Medora.

October 4, 2007: HUD Atlanta Regional Director Bob Young joins Mayor Ken Steele and other state and local leaders at a ceremony recognizing Fayetteville, Georgia's Preserve America Community designation. He also presents a certificate marking the city's receipt of a \$31,000 Preserve America grant. The grant will fund wayfinding signage, an interpretive kiosk, and a walking tour brochure for Fayetteville's Historic Main Street District.

October 12, 2007: HUD Atlanta Regional Director Bob Young presents a certificate to Mayor Pro Tem Barry Lurey and other local leaders at a ceremony honoring Madison, Georgia's receipt of a \$34,458 Preserve America grant. The grant will fund the Madison Bicentennial Heritage Program, which will provide permanent interpretive information for the physical representations of the town's past.

October 19, 2007: HUD Atlanta Regional Director Bob Young presents a ceremonial Preserve America grant check for \$150,000 to Rodger Stroup, Director of the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, Elizabeth Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, and other local leaders in a ceremony in Columbia, South Carolina. The funding will be used to provide matching grants (\$20,000 or less) to projects in smaller cities and towns (population 25,000 or less) in South Carolina that are beginning to plan and implement economic development that incorporates their history and historic resources. South Carolina State Historic Preservation Office will be partnering with other state organizations to encourage, identify and select projects, and organize site visits to provide assistance and advice to grantees.

October 22, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 27 new communities – for a total of 549 designated Preserve America Communities. Miami, Phoenix, and Pittsburgh are among the largest cities designated to date.

The 27 new communities are:

Phoenix, Arizona
 Scottsdale, Arizona
 Ontario, California
 San Buenaventura, California
 Miami, Florida
 Tifton, Georgia
 Blue Island, Illinois
 Palestine, Illinois
 New Harmony, Indiana
 Arcadia, Louisiana

Dubach, Louisiana
 Bay City, Michigan
 Sparta Township, Michigan
 Jefferson City, Missouri
 Havre, Montana
 Hill County, Montana
 Brownville, Nebraska
 Newton, New Jersey

Beekman, New York
 Jacksonville, Oregon
 Ambridge, Pennsylvania
 Hanover, Pennsylvania
 Lower Merion Township, Pennsylvania
 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
 Waco, Texas
 Stevens County, Washington

October 23, 2007: HUD Deputy Regional Director Patricia Hoban-Moore presents certificates recognizing the Preserve America Communities of Cleveland County and Shelby, North Carolina. Participants include Mary Accor, Chair, Cleveland County Board of Commissioners, Ted Alexander, Southwest Regional Director of Preservation NC and Mayor of Shelby, Rick Howell, Shelby City Manager, Brownie Plaster, Chair, Cleveland County Historic Preservation Commission, Office of Senator Richard Burr, Office of Senator Elizabeth Dole, Office of Congressman Patrick McHenry, and other local leaders.

October 25, 2007: HUD Atlanta Regional Director Bob Young presents a certificate to Liz Gilland, Chair, Horry County Council; Joel Carter, Horry County Board of Architectural Review, Walter Hill, Acting Horry County Museum Director and other local leaders at a ceremony honoring Horry County, South Carolina's designation as a Preserve America Community.

November 13, 2007: John Bravacos, Director of HUD's Region III, joins Fairmount Park Executive Director Mark Focht and Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission Chair Wayne Spilove at a ceremony recognizing Philadelphia, Pennsylvania's Preserve America Community designation. The event is held at the Water Works Pavilion, one of seven National Historic Landmarks in Philadelphia.

December 12, 2007: Mrs. Laura Bush sends a letter of congratulations to 22 new communities – for a total of 571 designated Preserve America Communities.

The 22 new communities are:

Selma, Alabama	Burlington, North Carolina	Tredyffrin Township, Pennsylvania
Redstone, Colorado	Ramapo, New York	Aiken, South Carolina
St. Petersburg, Florida	Rockland County, New York	Camden, South Carolina
Tampa, Florida	Tulsa, Oklahoma	York County, South Carolina
Maui County, Hawaii	Lancaster County, Pennsylvania	Lipscomb County, Texas
Monroe County, Indiana	Philipsburg Borough, Pennsylvania	Richford, Vermont
Richmond, Indiana		Hinton, West Virginia
Flat Rock, Michigan		
Livingston, Montana		