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The New York Landmarks Conservancy has awarded the Albany Cathedral of All Saints a \$15,000 “Sacred Sites Fund” grant towards the restoration of the Cathedral’s historic Guild House guildhousealbany.com.

In a letter to Cathedral Dean Very Rev. Leander Harding, Conservancy President Peg Breen wrote that the grant was made “to help fund stabilization scope and design” of the Guild House, which is in a deteriorated condition. “The Conservancy commends you and the congregation for recognizing the historic importance of this sacred site and maintaining it for future generations,” Breen wrote.

Dean Harding welcomed “this generous expression of support from one of the nation’s leading historic conservancy organizations. The grant will provide critical assistance to the Cathedral in conducting engineering and architectural planning towards restoring this endangered historic building in the heart of New York State’s capital city.”

The Cathedral plans to use the building for community services and non-sectarian educational purposes “open to all.”

<https://www.timesunion.com/news/article/church-plans-building-restoration-immigrant-18431105.php>

President Breen noted “the Cathedral joins 850 houses of worship throughout New York State that have received more than \$13.5 million in grants from the Sacred Sites Fund supporting over \$750 million in restoration and repair projects in the state. The Sacred Sites Program has provided outreach services and technical advice to over 1,600 individual religious institutions.”

The Guild House was previously chosen as Studio Project by the Architecture School Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, which conducted a major study of the Guild House and recommended detailed plans for its restoration.