

## JEFFERSON SECURITY BANK MAKES CONTRIBUTION TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

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Charles Town, WV—May is Historic Preservation Month and this year, Jefferson Security Bank (JSB) celebrated by contributing \$150 to the Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commission's endowment fund: *Our History, Our Community*.

The Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commission (JCHLC) voted in December 2016 to establish an endowment fund at the Eastern West Virginia Community Foundation (EWVCF). JCHLC created the fund and has embarked on a capital campaign to better assist residents and programs benefiting historic preservation in Jefferson County. The landmarks commission set a capital campaign goal of \$100,000.

The contribution made by JSB enables the JCHLC to continue their mission—to preserve historic sites, structures, and rural landscapes in Jefferson County and to educate the public about the county's heritage.

With a limited budget, generated through revenues from Jefferson County's hotel and motel tax, JCHLC has an annual operating budget of less than \$20,000 a year. Currently, the Landmarks Commission owns four historic properties in the County which require maintenance and upkeep. This, combined with educational and interpretive materials and programs, leaves little



for the organization to support other historic preservation projects in the county. Once the goal is reached, JCHLC will develop a grant application process which will allow for financial support for historic preservation projects.

Please consider making a tax deductible contribution to the *Our History, Our Community* fund online or by direct mail to: Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commission, PO Box 23, Charles Town, WV 25414 or directly to EWVCF noting JCHLC's *Our History, Our Community* fund.

Pictured: Sara Wasson, Director of Marketing and Community Relations for JSB (left) and Martin Burke, Chair of the JCHLC (right).