

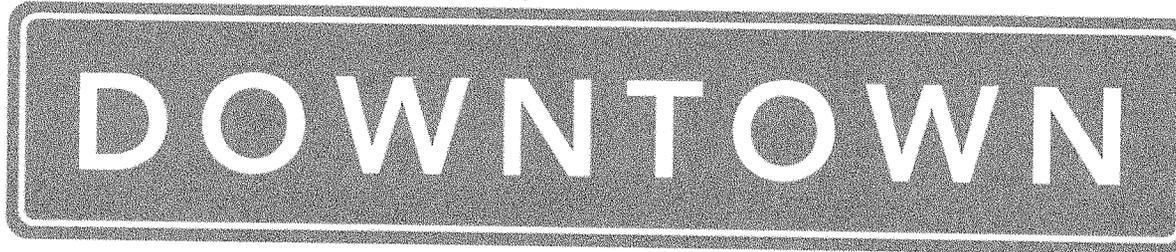
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**Congratulations to the
APA 2014 Great Places in New Jersey Designees!**

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Great Places represent the gold standard in terms of having a true sense of place, cultural and historical interest, community involvement, and a vision for the future. They support their local economies and add value to their communities. "Great places don't happen by accident - they've been planned for, designed, and maintained," states APA-NJ President, Charles Latini, Jr. "APA-NJ chose to implement this program because our great places deserve attention, and other communities can look to these shining examples as best practices."

Know of a downtown, street, public space or neighborhood that you think merits designation as a Great Place in New Jersey? Suggest it today by filling out our Easy Suggestion Form! APA-NJ accepts suggestions year-round.

Great Downtowns

Truly the centerpieces in the lives of their communities, New Jersey's Great Downtowns prosper in spite of strong regional and e-commerce competition.

Downtown Atlantic Highlands

Honoring its seafaring heritage, Atlantic Highlands has proven that even a small community (2010 pop. = 4,385) can create a great downtown with a distinctive local flavor. Good connections to walking and hiking trails are a bonus.

Downtown Haddonfield

An effective model for municipalities looking to attract and retain businesses, Haddonfield's creative use of its Business Improvement District has enabled its downtown to become a high quality shopping and dining destination.

Downtown Hammonton

Hammonton's influx of new businesses during the economic downturn underscores the necessary roles that meaningful partnerships and tenacity play in any downtown revitalization. An arts district draws out-of-town visitors.

Downtown Summit

The City's Special Improvement District has effectively organized businesses and property owners through Summit Downtown Management, Inc. and positioned the downtown as an attractive retail destination.

Great Public Spaces

These Great Public Spaces reside in communities that understood the opportunity presented by an underutilized place and re-imagined it into something wonderful.

Camden Waterfront, Camden City

A former industrial center, the Camden Waterfront has become a fantastic waterfront destination that abounds with opportunities to enjoy open space, music, art, history, theater, dining, shopping and events.

Hawk Rise Sanctuary, Linden City

The greater part of Hawk Rise Sanctuary sits on the site of a former landfill, remediated so that it now provides environmental benefits while addressing human needs for open space.

Military Park, Newark City

Military Park was a worn out, wasted space in Newark's downtown district that now functions as its "outdoor living room." Non-governmental sources are expected to cover ongoing costs.

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