

Chester County
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Jordan Award for Lifelong Philanthropy
significant, comprehensive philanthropic achievements

Penelope P. Wilson



Penny Wilson's influence in philanthropy has been far-reaching, particularly in the areas of historic preservation, arts/culture, and health/human services.

Penny Wilson has been a strong supporter of the Chester County Historical Society, inspiring others to give and helping to create important partnerships. In 1983 Ms. Wilson co-founded Historic Sugartown, and she has served as a member of the Board of Directors ever since. According to co-nominator John Nagy, "At Historic Sugartown she has been a driving force...with untiring devotion to our projects and strict attention to detail and authenticity."

Ms. Wilson has been an active, lifelong member of the Willistown Branch of the Women's Auxiliary to the Chester County Hospital, as well as served as member of the Hospital's Board of Directors. Notes co-nominator H.L. Perry Pepper, President of the Chester County Hospital, "Ms. Wilson has given generously of her time, personal resources and talents for more than 40 years.

Examples of her philanthropic leadership qualities go far beyond financial generosity and include her willingness to share her expertise with those charged with creating and sustaining fundraising projects...She as 'raised the bar' for many in our community."