

## **New York State Homes and Community Renewal Neighborhood and Rural Preservation Companies**

### **General Description**

New York State Homes and Community Renewal (HCR) provides financial support for not-for-profit [community-based housing organizations](#) to perform housing and community renewal activities statewide. These organizations, known as Preservation Companies, provide assistance including, but not limited to, housing rehabilitation, home buyer counseling, tenant counseling, landlord/tenant mediation, community rehabilitation and renewal, crime watch programs, employment programs, legal assistance, and Main Street Development. A majority of Preservation Companies are also involved in the planning and development of capital projects including new construction and/or rehabilitation of older housing stock. Companies perform this work with the assistance of HCR administrative funds and leveraged funds from the private sector and other governmental sources.

Preservation Companies are located in most areas of the state and primarily serve low- and moderate-income residents. Preservation Companies are required to serve areas where there are significant unmet housing needs for the low and moderate income population.

### **Data Collection Methodology**

Preservation Companies, [Rural](#) and [Neighborhood](#) provide data to HCR. Service areas are updated with the availability of new census data, approximately every 10 years. HCR program staff review the data provided and approve it. Companies may request changes which must be approved by HCR.

### **Statistical and Analytic Issues**

The dataset is updated annually on a routine basis. The collected information provides a snapshot of all registered Neighborhood and Rural Preservation Companies.

### **Limitations of Data Use**

The registration statement includes but is not limited to: name and county in which the Preservation Company is located, the company service area, address, description of services, and the company website (if available). These categories comprise the entirety of this dataset. The HCR website includes other programs the company offers. This data is entered manually and changes frequently. The other data relies on the company to request changes to service areas. There may be a lag between what is available and what is publicly posted. Companies may provide other services outside the approved service area. The service areas in this dataset are relevant only to activities related to the Neighborhood and Rural Preservation Programs.