

## PROPERTY REPORT

Property ID: 397015518

**Property Name:** 86 North Main Street  
**Address:** 86 N Main ST

**Ownership:** Private  
**Apartment #:** **ZIP:** 08512

### PROPERTY LOCATION(S):

County:	Municipality:	Local Place Name:	USGS Quad:	Block:	Lot:
MIDDLESEX	Cranbury township	Cranbury	Hightstown	29	5

### Property Photo:



**Old HSI Number:**

**NRIS Number:**

**HABS/HAER Number:**

### Description:

86 North Main Street is a one-and-a-half-story, three-bay, three-pile, frame private residence constructed circa 1925 in a Bungalow form. The house has a large rear addition in the shape of a Greek cross.

The main block has a side-gabled roof sheathed with asphalt shingles. An exterior brick chimney is attached onto each end wall, breaking through the overhanging eaves. A dormer occupies the bulk of the front slope of the roof; it features widely overhanging eaves supported by oversized triangular brackets, wood shingled walls, and a tripartite nine-over-one vinyl sash window. The walls of the house are brick. Fenestration is symmetrical, with eight-over-one vinyl sash windows flanking the centered entrance on the main elevation. The entrance consists of a multi-light replacement French door flanked by segmented full-height sidelights. The front porch is located below an extension of the main roof, with the eaves supported by four tapered square columns standing on brick bases connected by a low railing with square balusters. A brick set of steps leads down to the grade of the front lawn.

The north elevation of the main block has asphalt shingles on the roof, wood shingles on the second floor, and a brick first floor. The overhanging eaves are supported by triangular brackets, and the engaged brick chimney breaks through the eaves west of the ridge. The second floor has a paired six-over-one double hung sash window (replacement) east of the chimney. The first floor has a small rectangular bay aligned with the northeast corner; it has a shed roof with overhanging eaves and a tripartite four-over-one window unit with vinyl

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sashes (replacement). The concrete foundation of the house includes horizontal basement windows.

The south elevation has a different appearance from the north elevation. The cladding is repeated: asphalt shingles on the roof, wood shingles on the second floor, and brick cladding on the first floor. The attic level has two widely spaced windows, and the second floor has a paired unit in the center of the elevation. The first floor has a single window near the southwest corner and a paired window near the southeast corner.

The rear addition is a two-story section with the shape of a Greek cross. Its roof is clad with asphalt shingles, and the walls are clad with vinyl siding. Windows are replacement, vinyl sash units. The section has a concrete foundation.

Character-defining elements of the dwelling include an overhang porch with square supports on brick piers and a front-gabled dormer on the front elevation.

History: The 1916 Sanborn Atlas shows an open field in this location. The house appears on the 1933 Sanborn Atlas; the front porch is shown but only a small rear addition. At that time, the property had a stone garage in the location of the existing brick garage. The historic aerials show both buildings. The smaller rear addition was replaced with the current rear addition between 2007 and 2012.

#### Setting:

86 North Main Street is sited on a rectangular parcel (Block 29, Lot 5) located on the west side of North Main Street in Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey. The dwelling is oriented with its primary elevation facing west and is set back approximately 15 feet from North Main Street. A concrete sidewalk spans the west side of the parcel. A paved driveway leads east from North Main Street to a one-story garage located southeast of the subject dwelling. The property is lightly wooded. 86 North Main Street is located in a primarily residential neighborhood surrounded by residential properties dating from the mid-nineteenth to the early twentieth centuries. The property adjoins the Westminster Cemetery to the east.

#### Registration and Status Dates:

National Historic Landmark?: ☐

National Register: 9/18/1980

New Jersey Register: 8/9/1979

Determination of Eligibility: 3/25/1977

Certification of Eligibility:

SHPO Opinion:

Local Designation: 9/26/1988

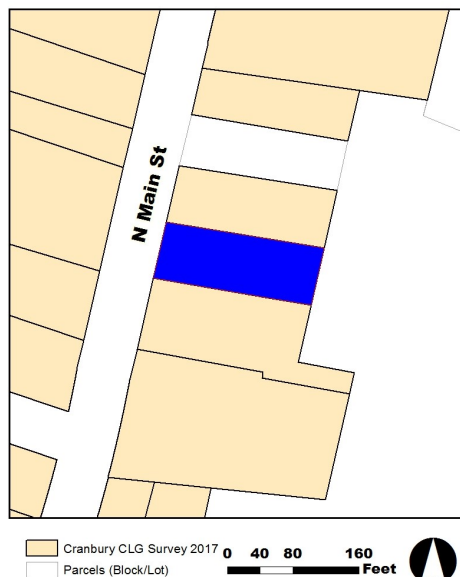
Other Designation:

Other Designation Date:

☐ Eligibility Worksheet included in present survey?

☐ Is this Property an identifiable farm or former farm?

Location Map:



Site Map:

#### BIBLIOGRAPHY:

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Author:	Title:	Year:	HPO Accession #:	(if applicable)
Walsh, Ruth	National Register of Historic Places Nomination for the Cranbury Historic District, Cranbury Township, Middlesex County, New Jersey	1979		
Heritage Studies	Preserving Historic Cranbury Village	1989		

**Additional Information:**

The 1989 Heritage Studies survey identified 86 North Main Street as a contributing resource to the Cranbury Historic District. RGA concurs with the previous evaluation and recommends 86 North Main Street as a contributing resource due to its date of construction and design.

**More Research Needed?** ☐ (checked=Yes)

**INTENSIVE-LEVEL USE ONLY:**

**Attachments Included:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Bridge
<input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape
<input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry

**Historic District ?** ☒

**District Name:** Cranbury Historic District

**Status:** Contributing

**Associated Archeological Site/Deposits?** ☐

(known or potential sites. If Yes, please describe briefly)

**Conversion Problem?** ☐ **ConversionNote:** 19

**Date form completed:** 7/10/2017

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