

A draft for consideration of the Los Alamos Historic Preservation Board at their November 6, 2019 meeting.

The Los Alamos Historical Society, a non-profit organization, and the county's Historic Preservation Advisory Board focus on different features of history.

In broadest terms, the Historical Society focuses on people—their past and the objects that tell their stories—from plain to profound, while the Advisory Board focuses on facilities and structures that a visitor sees when passing through our town.

The Historical Society deals with:

- oral histories of people plain and famous
- artifacts used and left by these people
- the context of the times in which these people lived and worked
- the links to the town today on the Pajarito Plateau
- communicating the town's history to residents and visitors
- owning and maintaining historic buildings

The Advisory Board deals with:

- identifying features and archaeological resources and by establishing historic districts for them
- the public protection of these resources
- economic incentives for preserving historic buildings and neighborhoods
- property owners and their understanding the significance of their buildings.