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Rural Historic Preservation Grants Awarded *8 County Sites to Be Protected*



The Beatty-Cramer House will have renovations made to its porches with funding from the Frederick County Rural Historic Preservation Grant Program.

FREDERICK, Md. – Iron workers’ housing, historic farmsteads, and one of the county’s oldest known house are among eight rural properties that will be preserved with support from the Frederick County Rural Historic Preservation Grant Program. In its third year, the initiative is one of only a few historic preservation programs that focuses on significant structures in rural areas.

“As a member of the County Council, I was proud to support legislation that dedicates funds towards this program and am committed to this effort as County Executive. This year, our recordation revenue allowed us to put \$375,000 towards these programs. By preserving these buildings, we can connect new generations to our community’s rich history,” Frederick County Executive Jessica Fitzwater said.

The Rural Historic Preservation Grant Program offers one-time grants of up to \$50,000 to individual property owners and nonprofit organizations to stabilize, rehabilitate, restore or preserve the exterior of a historic property. To qualify, properties must be listed on the County Register of Historic Places, be designated as a contributing resource in a historic district, or be determined for County Register designation.

Beatty Cramer House – Liberty Road, Ceresville. \$46,330 to restore the west porch and put a roof patch over the east porch. The property has unique construction techniques utilizing 18th century timber framing. The property is listed on the County Register.

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Clemmont – Clemsonville Road, Union Bridge. \$50,000 to replace the roof on the house. The property retains several of the domestic and agricultural outbuildings associated with a 19th century farm and includes a grand country house. The property is listed on the County Register.

Beverly Hoke House – Catoctin Furnace Road, Thurmont. \$41,372 to replace roof, install half round gutters, and reconstruct missing chimney stack. The property contributes to the Catoctin Furnace Historic District as worker housing. The property is listed on the County Register.

Linganore Farm – Linganore Road, Frederick. \$50,000 to rebuild and replace bricks on smokehouse walls, rebuild smokehouse roof, and replace the roof on the tenant house. The property was once a merchant and mill complex and later the Linganore Hills Inn before becoming a single-family residence. The property is listed on the County Register.

Reed Stitely House – Catoctin Furnace Road, Thurmont. \$38,071.92 to replace non-historic windows with historically accurate windows and replace the roof on the historic house. The property contributes to the Catoctin Furnace Historic District as worker housing. The property is listed on the County Register.

Steiner Wolfe Smith Farm – Steiner Smith Road, Woodsboro. \$32,629 to replace the bank barn roof and install half round gutters. The property is listed on the County Register. The property is an intact farm with a bank barn and dairy barn.

Stevens House/Pearre Metcalfe – Albaugh Road, New Windsor. \$49,000 to repair the historic windows and replace broken glass, repair rotten wood on porches, and reconstruct rear stairs. The property has been determined eligible for listing on the County Register due to its architectural significance with Greek Revival styling.

William Draper – Stottlemeyer Road, Myersville. \$38,000 to stabilize and repair bank barn. The property has been determined eligible for listing on the County Register due to its several domestic and agricultural outbuildings that represent a typical small mountainous farmstead.

Funding for the Frederick County Rural Historic Preservation Grants comes from the collection of recordation fees charged on certain real estate transactions. For additional information about the grant program, visit www.frederickcountymd.gov/ruralgrants. Questions about the program can be directed to Amanda Whitmore, Historic Preservation Planner, at AWhitmore@FrederickCountyMD.gov.

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