



# FAIRFAX COUNTY PARK AUTHORITY



## M E M O R A N D U M

**TO:** Chairman and Members  
Park Authority Board

**VIA:** Jai Cole, Executive Director

**FROM:** Laura Grape, Division Director, Resource Management

**DATE:** June 23, 2023

### *Agenda*

**Resource Management Committee  
(Committee of the Whole)  
Wednesday, June 28, 2023 – 6:00 pm  
Boardroom, Herrity Building  
Chairman: Maggie Godbold  
Vice Chair: Abena Aidoo Hewton**

1. Resident Curator Program Update (with presentation) – Information



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## **INFORMATION**

### Resident Curator Program Update

The program oversees four curator-leased properties, which together total over one million dollars in private investment.

#### Curator Sites

Ellmore Farmhouse, Herndon: The most recent to join the program in 2021, the farmhouse is currently under rehabilitation for use as an adult day support center by nonprofit, ServiceSource. Anticipated project completion is mid-September.

Turner Farmhouse, Great Falls: Renovation to the outbuildings, including three story garage and concrete block milk house, is nearly complete for nonprofit use as a retreat center by Turner Farmhouse Foundation. Heritage Conservation Branch staff will monitor a preservation approach to the treatment of the early twentieth century crib barn.

Stempson House, Lorton: The exterior was recently painted. The curator is over the halfway point of his lease term ending in 2026.

Hannah P. Clark/ Enyedi House, Lorton: As a professional preservationist at Mount Vernon, the curator is employing techniques used at the estate on current projects including paint removal from wood floors and prepping the exterior for paint.

#### In- Process Sites

Mount Gilead House, Centreville: Initial advertisement underway, including both a virtual public meeting and open house event in June. Heritage Conservation Branch staff are preparing to open the application period and host an additional in-person meeting in July.

Staff continues to prepare the following properties for the program –

Lahey Lost Valley: Foundation repairs, as well as repointing of original brick portion of the house is scheduled for completion in Summer 2023.

Dranesville Tavern, Herndon: Termite damage in the eastern wall has been removed and the wall rebuilt. Roof repairs and replacement over south porch is underway.

Fairfax Arms, Lorton: A Historic Structure Report and Treatment Plan was recently completed. Well and septic testing is upcoming.

#### STAFF:

Board Agenda Item  
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Stephanie Langton, Resident Curator Program Manager



# Resident Curator Program

Park Authority Board Update

June 2023



# Highlights

- 4 leased curator sites
  - 2 nonprofit, 2 residential
- \$1 million in private investment
- Mount Gilead House Advertisement
  - Summer 2023
- 6 RCP sites by CY2024





# Stempson House

- Lorton
- December 2017 – August 2026
- \$102k
- Next Steps
  - Complete workplan tasks
  - Consider lease extension



# Stempson House – Front Exterior



**Before**



**After**



# Stempson House – Rear Exterior



**Before**



**After**





# Turner Farmhouse

- Great Falls
- 2018 – 20 year lease
- > \$750k
  - Garage - \$410k of total
  - Volunteer - \$122k of total
- Next Steps
  - Retreat center completion
  - Crib barn preservation & structural assessment



# Turner Farmhouse Garage (Retreat Center)



**Before**



**After**



# Turner Farmhouse Garage (Retreat Center)



**Before**



**After**



# Turner Farmhouse Garage (Retreat Center)





# Hannah P. Clark/ Enyedi

- Lorton
- 2020 – 13 year lease
- \$56k
- Projects – Preservation Techniques
  - Prep for exterior paint
  - Paint removal on wood floors



# Clark / Enyedi – Ongoing Projects







# Ellmore Farmhouse

- ❑ Herndon
- ❑ 2021 – 29 year lease
- ❑ > \$600k
- ❑ Recent Improvements
  - Structural Repairs – reclaimed wood
  - Elevator
  - Plumbing for Interior Sprinkler System
  - Mid September Completion



# Ellmore Farmhouse -

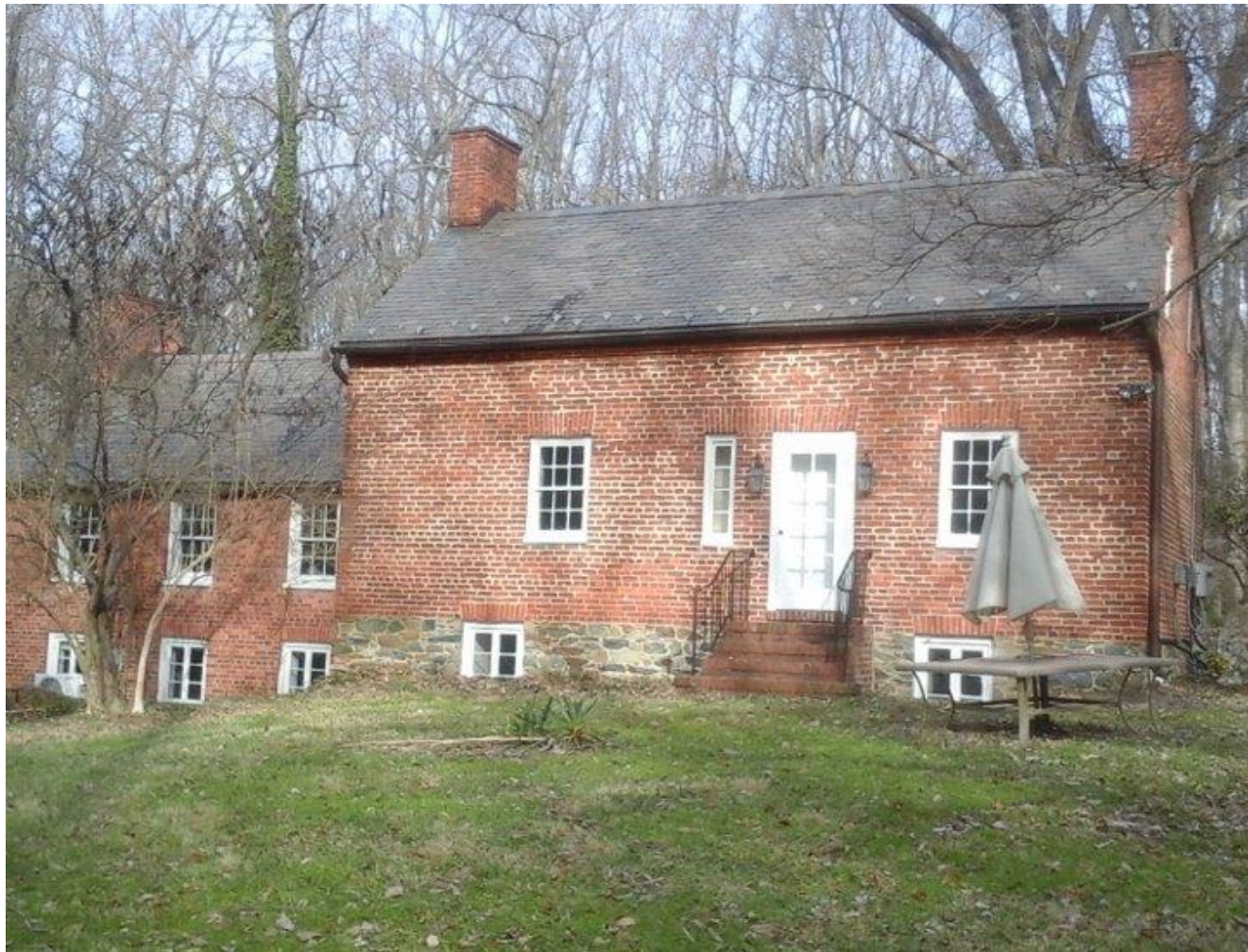




# Mount Gilead

- ❑ Summer 2023 Advertisement
  - Virtual Public Meeting – 6/20
  - Open House – 6/24
  
- ❑ Next Steps
  - Application Period
  - In-Person Public Meeting





# Lahey Lost Valley

- Foundation and Mortar Restoration
  - Re-mortar original foundation
  - Gravel for drainage around foundation walls
  - Re-mortar original brick portion
- Bee removal



# Lahey Lost Valley – Foundation Repairs





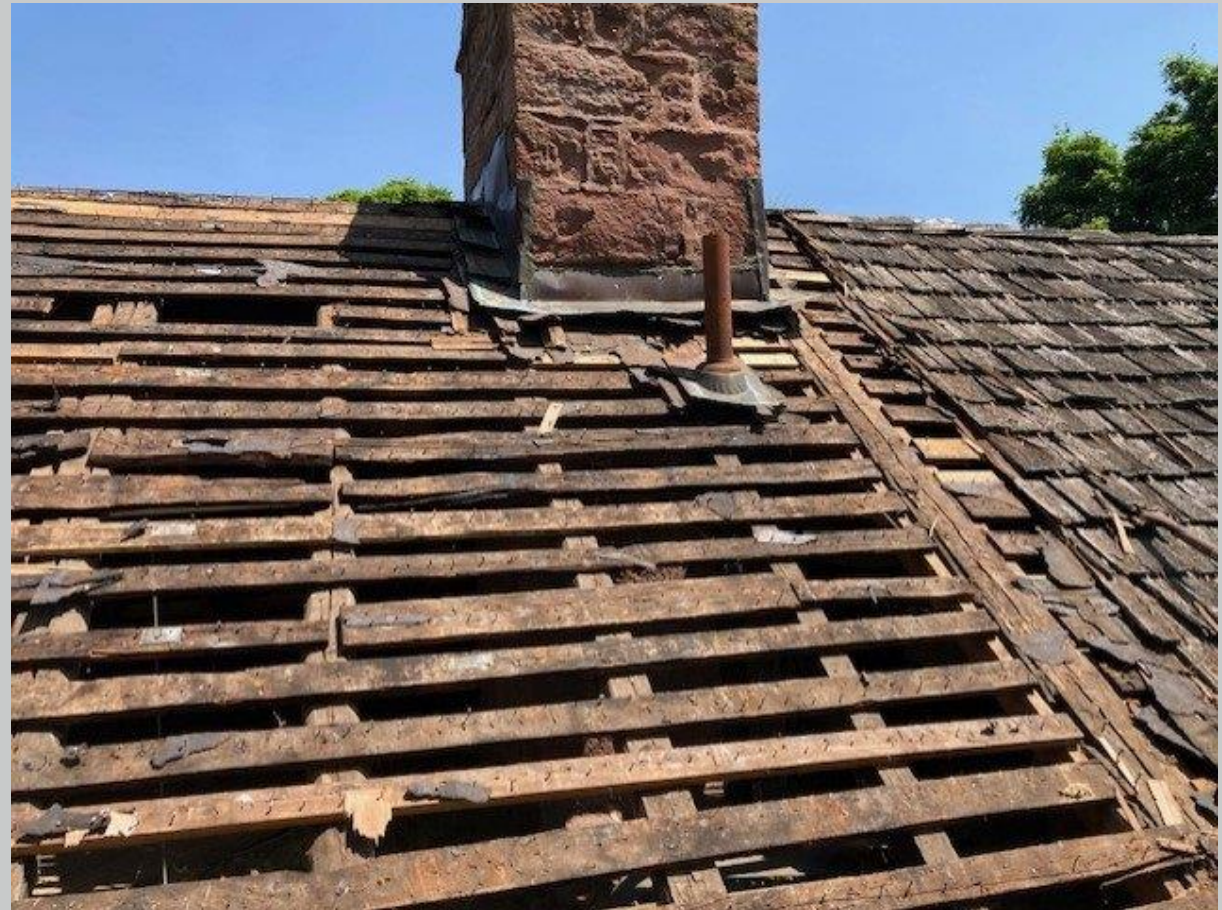


# Dranesville Tavern

- Remove termite damage in eastern wall and rebuild
- Roof replacement



# Dranesville Tavern – Roof Repairs





# Dranesville Tavern







# Fairfax Arms

Well Inspection

Septic Inspection

Historic Structure Report &  
Treatment Plan completed

Questions?

