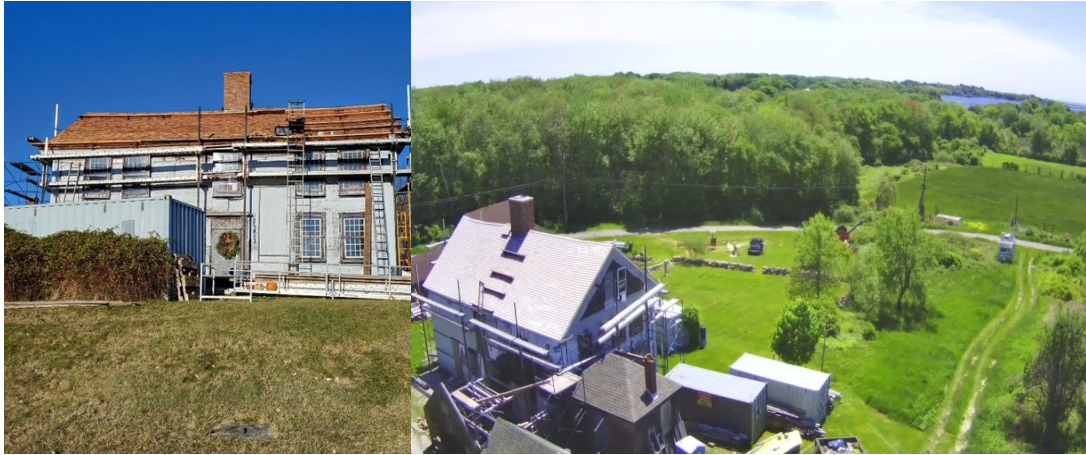


### Roof Restoration 2023



## Giving Matters!

The Stanton-Davis Homestead Museum (SDHM) has a modest annual operating budget of approximately \$20,000 – in large measure supported by memberships and tour donations.

The costly restoration work on the Homestead very often requires nonprofit organizations to secure matching funds *upfront* for funding proposals submitted to public and private grant makers, to qualify for potential funding. These one-time capital grants are for defined restoration projects that take many years to properly plan, and only support a small fraction of the Museum's annual operating expenses.

The Museum is making great recent strides on the restoration of the Homestead, including:

- completing the \$250,000 structural reinforcement and restoration of the roof in 2023; and,
- the reconstruction and restoration of the mid-18<sup>th</sup> century cheese room, that will serve as SDHM's welcome center, anticipated to open later this year.

Architectural plans by Robert E. Leach for the complete restoration of the Homestead's façade were finalized in late 2025, approved by the State Historic Preservation Office, and construction bidding is underway.

*Please consider helping us keep up the momentum by contributing in any of the following ways, by making:*

- an unrestricted personal donation in any amount;
- a donor-advised fund (DAF) gift;
- grants directly through a family or corporate foundation;
- including SDHM in your estate planning;
- or, by becoming a member \$40 (individual), \$60 (family), \$250 (institutional/ corporate). Click through to our "Memberships" page to download the membership form to mail if paying by check, or simply scroll down and pay electronically via the link at the bottom of the page.
- Note that many employers have matching gift programs that will double or even triple your donation to SDHM! Please ask your HR department if your company offers this program! Some employers will even match donations by retired employees.

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### *Cheese Room Restoration 2025*



## 2026 Cheese Room Sponsorship Opportunity

While SDHM has completed capital funding for the restoration of the ca. 1750 cheese room thanks to our generous public and private donors, in order to make the space functional as the Museum's new visitor entrance and workspace for our board, volunteers, and interns, certain one-time improvements are needed, including:

Exterior and interior lighting and electrical upgrades; security systems; computers and software; refrigeration; furnishings; filing cabinets; initial supplies; landscaping improvements; and branded display boards, signage, and merchandise.

### Sponsorships Available

**\$10,000+**

#### **Benefits:**

- **“Major Support”** top tier donor name recognition on a *prominently displayed permanent plaque\** inside the cheese room - visitor center
- Name or logo with link inclusion on the Museum's “Partners and Sponsors” Website page
- An in-depth guided tour by a member of the board of directors

**\$2,500+**

#### **Benefits:**

- **“Additional Support”** donor name recognition on a *prominently displayed permanent plaque\** inside the cheese room - visitor center
- Name or logo with link inclusion on the Museum's “Partners and Sponsors” Website page
- An in-depth private guided tour by a member of the board of directors

*\*plaque to be installed upon the completion of construction, anticipated later in 2026 (TBD)*