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## **Colonial Pennsylvania Farmstead Calls for Community Support Following Loss of Federal Grant**

The Colonial Pennsylvania Farmstead (CPF) announces that its project, *“Expanding the Narrative through Community Collaboration: Interpreting Enslavement at an 18th Century Quaker Farm,”* will no longer move forward under its previously awarded funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), due to the federal government’s decision to rescind the grant.

The project was developed to uncover and share the stories of enslaved individuals connected to the historic Pratt family farm and nearby Quaker communities in Southeastern Pennsylvania. By partnering with local historians, genealogists, and community organizations, CPF intended to broaden its interpretation of the 18th-century site to include the lives and legacies of those long overlooked in traditional historical narratives.

Although this critical funding has been withdrawn, CPF remains steadfast in its mission. The Farmstead is determined to pursue the work outlined in the grant through other means—but it cannot do so alone. The organization is now turning to the community for help.

“The need for inclusive, research-based historical interpretation remains urgent, and we’re calling on our community to rally around us. Your support will ensure that this essential work continues, said Sarah Lerch, Executive Director of CPF.”

CPF is actively seeking donations and new partnerships to sustain this initiative and invites individuals, organizations, and foundations who share its commitment to inclusive storytelling to contribute. Every dollar raised will help bring to life the stories that history too often leaves untold.

To support the project or learn more about how you can get involved, please visit [www.colonialfarmstead.org](http://www.colonialfarmstead.org).

CPF remains deeply grateful to the scholars, collaborators, and supporters who have stood behind this effort and welcomes continued dialogue as it moves forward with renewed purpose.

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