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Cumberland County Historical Society Announces Completion of Raise the Roof Capital Project

Historic Downtown Carlisle, 05/06/24 — The Cumberland County Historical Society (CCHS) is proud to announce the successful completion of the Raise the Roof Capital Improvements Campaign. This significant initiative addressed crucial infrastructure needs for the Main Campus in Historic Downtown Carlisle.

As we celebrate our 150th year, we are pleased to inform the public that the most visible artifacts in our collection, the historic buildings that tell the story of our rich heritage, have been rehabilitated. The roofs over the original Historic 1881 Hamilton Library Building and "Todd Hall" have been replaced. Additionally, Todd Hall's floor has been stabilized through "mud jacking."

CCHS's prominent program space, Todd Hall, has been completely renovated as part of the project. It will be used as a much improved rental space and for community events, as well as our lecture and program hall.

We thank our many supporters who helped us reach our initial Raise the Roof campaign goal of \$400,000. We would also like to thank the CAEDC CUMBERLAND AREA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION for their Tourism Recovery Grant, which contributed to the Todd Hall Stabilization effort.

After two years of improvements to the sidewalk, grounds, roofs, and program space, we are excited to welcome many more guests to our facility in downtown Carlisle. The Cumberland County Historical Society offers visitors many experiences: the FREE Museum of Cumberland County History, the Hamilton Library Archives, <u>History on High - The Shop</u>, the G.B. Stuart Exhibit Space, and the Would Work Innovation Center.

Although the project is complete, the Capital Campaign for CCHS Building Maintenance is ongoing. Please contact Executive Director Shawn Gladden for anyone interested in contributing to the upkeep of CCHS's historic building.

It is an exciting time for CCHS as we celebrate our 150th Anniversary in 2024 and look forward to serving the Cumberland County Community for at least 150 more years.

For more information, please visit www.historicalsociety.com.

About Cumberland County Historical Society: Founded in 1874, the Cumberland County Historical Society is dedicated to preserving and promoting Cumberland County's rich history. Through exhibitions, educational programs, and community outreach, CCHS strives to connect the past with the present and inspire future generations.

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