

# Recreation Other Summary

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	Actual FY 15	Original Budget FY 16	Adjusted Budget FY 16	Budget FY 17	% Change From Orig. FY 16	% Change From Adj. FY 16
Historical Society of Carroll County	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$65,000	8.33%	8.33%
Union Mills Homestead	20,000	20,000	20,000	25,000	25.00%	25.00%
<b>Total Recreation Other</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$90,000</b>	<b>12.50%</b>	<b>12.50%</b>

## Mission and Goals

The Historical Society and Union Mills Homestead Museum embody much of the history of Carroll County. Each is dedicated to preserving, promoting and educating others about the County's cultural and historic resources.

### Goals Include:

- Provide a setting to teach Carroll County history to visitors of all ages
- Restore and preserve all historic buildings, exhibits and artifacts

## Highlights, Changes and Useful Information

- The Historical Society and the Homestead have initiated various cost-cutting measures, including heavy reliance on volunteers.
- The Historical Society provides education through publications, presentations, tours, radio and televised programs, trips and through their website.
- The County provides for some maintenance of the buildings and grounds at the Homestead Museum in the Facilities Budget under the County's Department of Public Works.
- Renovations and maintenance efforts continue at each of the facilities.

## Budget Changes

In FY 17, one-time funding of \$5,000 was added to the Historical Society and Union Mills Homestead to assist with their Celebrating America efforts.

# Historical Society of Carroll County

Description	Actual FY 15	Original Budget FY 16	Adjusted Budget FY 16	Budget FY 17	% Change From Orig. FY 16	% Change From Adj. FY 16
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Benefits	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
Operating	60,000	60,000	60,000	65,000	8.33%	8.33%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$60,000</b>	<b>\$60,000</b>	<b>\$60,000</b>	<b>\$65,000</b>	<b>8.33%</b>	<b>8.33%</b>
<b>Employees FTE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>-----</b>

Note: The Adjusted Budget includes budget changes made during the year. Ongoing mid-year changes have been annualized for comparison purposes.

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## Mission and Goals

The Historical Society of Carroll County (HSCC) is a non-profit, educational institution dedicated to preserving materials and interpreting the history of Carroll County. It endeavors to further public interest, knowledge, understanding and appreciation of Carroll County.

### Goals include:

- Raising public visibility of the Historical Society
- Creating greater public accessibility to its collections and its expertise
- Stabilizing and expanding the institution's financial resources to insure its future viability

## Description

The Historical Society of Carroll County was founded in 1939 and owns three historic properties on East Main Street in Westminster.

The Kimmey House (c. 1800) serves as the main office building and houses a changing exhibition gallery, research library and collections storage. The collection provides historical themes for public programming, including exhibitions, publications and lectures. Grant funds are used to meet general operating costs. The Carroll County Office of Tourism Visitor Information Center has been a tenant in the Kimmey House since 1984.

The Sherman-Fisher-Shellman House (c. 1807) features an architectural museum with a changing exhibition gallery and special events.

Cockey's Tavern (c. 1820) has been renovated in order to expand public programming and provide space for collections storage, a gift shop and staff and volunteer offices.

The Society stores and curates more than 40,000 items in three permanent collections and continues to accept donated artifacts and documents of local origin and significance.

## Program Highlights

- Signed a 10-year lease agreement with the City of Westminster for Emerald Hill. HSCC will use the building as auxiliary space for exhibits and programs.
- Third annual Winter Wine Warmer was held January 2016, first Historical Society event at Emerald Hill.
- Re-established Carroll County Birthday Celebration, with approximately 100 attendees.
- Received a Maryland Heritage Area grant to restore the facades of the Shellman and Kimmey Houses to their original 19<sup>th</sup> century look.
- Held the 15<sup>th</sup> annual Antiques and Collectibles Appraisal Day with 8 appraisers and over 70 participants.
- Partnership with McDaniel College's Theater Department created a living history walking tour, "Step Back in Time", which focused on Westminster's Civil War experience.
- During calendar year 2015, HSCC volunteers donated 10,414 hours to the organization.
- Raised visibility in the community by participating in Westminster's Celtic Canter in March, Wine Walk and Flower and Jazz Festival in April, Memorial Day Parade in May, Fall Fest in September, Oyster Stroll and Halloween Parade in October and Electric Holiday Parade in November.
- Continued to build social media outlets with Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, YouTube and Pinterest.

## Budget Changes

One-time funding of \$5,000 was included in FY 17 to assist the Historical Society's Celebrating America efforts.

# Homestead Museum

Description	Actual FY 15	Original Budget FY 16	Adjusted Budget FY 16	Budget FY 17	% Change From Orig. FY 16	% Change From Adj. FY 16
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
Benefits	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
Operating	20,000	20,000	20,000	25,000	25.00%	25.00%
Capital	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>25.00%</b>	<b>25.00%</b>
<b>Employees FTE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>-----</b>

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## Mission and Goals

The Union Mills Homestead Foundation strives to maintain and preserve the Homestead Buildings and gristmill as a living, working, historical landmark for future generations.

### Goals include:

- Continued preservation and restoration of the historic site, buildings and original furnishings.
- Operation of the historic site as a museum of early American and Carroll County heritage.
- Genuine and authentic education and historic interpretation of the site in keeping with its distinctive character and atmosphere.

## Description

In 1797, David and Andrew Shriver purchased the tract of land along Big Pipe Creek for the purpose of operating a gristmill and sawmill. The brothers later added a tannery, cooper shop and blacksmith's shop. The growing enterprise soon took the name "Union Mills" because of the partnership between the two brothers and their various businesses. The mill operated commercially until 1942. It was closed for restoration in the early 1980's and then re-opened in 1983. In addition to the mill and outbuildings, the original "double house" of the two Shriver brothers can be visited today. The facility, located on Littlestown Pike in Union Mills, is owned by Carroll County and operated by the Union Mills Homestead Foundation, a non-profit organization.

Many special events draw visitors to the Homestead. The annual Flower and Plant Market in May, the Corn Roast Festival in August and the Microbrewery Festival in September are three of the premiere events at the Homestead. The Homestead draws approximately 15,000 visitors annually.

In addition to the direct contribution of \$20,000, the County provides the Union Mills Homestead Foundation with in-kind services through the Bureau of Facilities, and capital projects for renovations to the Homestead Buildings. In FY 17, the Bureau of Facilities' budget includes \$29,200 for Union Mills and a capital project includes \$510,000 for renovations to the Main House.

## Program Highlights

- The Homestead Foundation updated their Five-Year Strategic Plan, adopted by the Board of Governors for the period 2016 – 2020.
- The Homestead hired two employees; one to handle tours and administrative matters in the house, and a second to manage the gift shop.
- Signage in and around the Grist Mill was expanded to improve the interpretation of the Mill for guests.
- The 46<sup>th</sup> Flower and Plant Market event, held in May, was extremely successful and set new sales records.
- 45<sup>th</sup> Corn Roast, held in August, was well attended and had strong volunteer support. The event is jointly sponsored by the Homestead Foundation and the Silver Run/Union Mills Lions club.
- 10<sup>th</sup> annual Maryland Microbrewery Festival, held in September, also set new records for sales.
- As lead sponsor of the inaugural Carroll County Beer Week, the Homestead received good marketing exposure for the Microbrewery Festival. It also highlighted the Grist Mill, which was used to grind grains for a special harvest ale prepared by a team of local brewers.

## Budget Changes

One-time funding of \$5,000 was included in FY 17 to assist the Homestead's Celebrating America efforts.