

Paul Revere Memorial Association

250th Anniversary of the Revolution Programs and Capital Improvements

(This list includes just over \$1M in projects and improvements, some of which have already been included in pending requests to the National Park Service Great American Outdoors Act Program, a private foundation, and individuals.)

General

Logo (\$2,500)

Work with Cortney Skinner to do an illustration and Steve Moniak to design a logo that we can use for branded shop items and also to brand programs.

Develop a list of 250th themed products for shop

Programs

Courtyard Waysides (\$30,000)

Develop new interpretive waysides for our courtyard to add information about our gardens, archaeological features, Indigenous use, the relationship between our three buildings, and to help visitors understand what the yard and neighborhood looked like at the time of the Revolution.

Publications \$50,000

Transcription of the Revere Silver Shop Daybooks by a noted silver curator
New Edition of *Revere Bells* (2022)
Updated Revere House Guidebook (2024)
(Commemorative 250th Cover for 1000)

Reimagining the Midnight Ride \$150,000

Our signature programs will revolve around the 250th of the ride in 2025 and likely will include a range of programs crafted to examine the facts of the ride, the role of Longfellow's poem, and Revere's legacy in popular culture. And to collaborate with artists and musicians to imagine what Revere's legacy looks like today.

Begin with some of Revere's earlier rides in 1723 and 1724 and look at how these played out at his destinations like Philadelphia and Portsmouth. (Actively seek collaborations with organizations along the route of the ride at prominent destinations.)

Work with local artists on reimagined Midnight Ride images for art installations

Work with North End Performing Arts Center on Music of the Ride

Work with Hayden and Handel Society on music of 1775

Scholarly symposium on Revere's legacy or range of lectures or both – start to develop list of topics

Educational Curriculum \$75,000

We are currently working with an education consultant on the development of a 250th curriculum to serve Massachusetts schools and a national audience

Revise *Paul Revere and the American Revolution* teacher packet both in print and digital

Exhibit Space in Revere Room \$25,000

Install picture rail – detailed to match molding that can be used to mount exhibit panels or other information to activate this space.

Add White board or screen and projector

Research Fellowships \$20,000

Restart our fellowship program with projects that will help us examine a number of areas related to our site including Native American and African American history as it relates to our site, the North End and the Revolution, further examination of the potential relationship between Prince Hall and Paul Revere, and considerations of the nature of work in the silver shop, foundry and copper mill.

Exhibits

Rethink Lathrop Place exhibits – compress business and do a 250th theme

Develop online exhibits as well

Capital Improvements

Conduct Climate Action Risk Assessment \$25,000

Hire a consultant to assess risks to our properties from ground water, extremes in temperature/humidity/precipitation

Use City of Boston Report as a guide as well as City carbon goals and mandates

Consider impact/value of converting some systems to all electric

Update Fire Safety and Lighting in Paul Revere House \$63,000

Currently the house has a combined intrusion and fire panel. Having a dedicated fire panel brings the system up to code and allows us install new highly sensitive smoke detectors as well as hard wired CO2 and methane detectors. New LED track lighting in the Revere House will improve energy efficiency, visitor safety, and light quality in all seasons. (Funded and scheduled for fall of 2022)

Restore Revere House Leaded Glass Casement Windows \$100,000

Perhaps the most visible feature of the Paul Revere House are the leaded glass casement windows that grace the front and rear of the home. Visitors often comment on the visually interesting windows and note the contrast to the sash windows on the ell. Installed during the 1907 restoration these windows offer a sense of the homes original design when constructed around 1680. The nine pairs of leaded glass casement windows show the impact of time, visitors, sunlight and age. Several panes of glass are cracked and the leading is deteriorated and has begun to fail. This effort will allow us to remove, restore and reinstall nine pairs of casement

windows. Repairing the windows and the hardware will ensure that all of these windows are fully operable, have proper UV filtration and protection and that they lock tightly for increased security, and keep the weather out.

Re-point Chimneys on Paul Revere House \$80,000

While the Paul Revere House's has two surviving chimneys date to the restoration, they are prominent visual aspects of the exterior of the house and signal the existence of multiple fireplaces in both the front and the ell of the structure. On occasion wind driven rain penetrates areas of deteriorated mortar and several areas of seriously spalled brick. Both chimneys need to be completely repointed and damaged bricks replaced with matching old brick. The chimney cap on the rear chimney and the vented cap on the front chimney both need to be examined and repaired or replaced depending on a field assessment.

Replace Revere House Roof \$100,000

This has now been included in the above chimney project. The logistics of having to use scaffolding for the chimney work begged the question of the advisability of doing the roof at the same time even though the roof is still within its useful life. The chimney work could also cause incidental damage to the roof especially the chimney flashing so again combining the work makes a great deal of sense.

Foundation Restoration Courtyard \$25,000

The exposed foundation of the Revere House on the courtyard side needs to be completely repointed and three basement windows need to be replaced.

Hichborn House Courtyard \$250,000

To open this area to all visitors requires a resign of this space to let visitors enjoy the front of the Hichborn House, improve accessibility, redo storm and sewer lines to reduce water infiltration into the basement, and move or hide modern intrusions

Bell Shelter Improvements \$25,000

Move to permanent location, add adjustable legs, replace glass with anti-glare glazing, hook up electrical

Total All Projects: \$1,020,500

Raised to date: \$300,000
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