



The North Country Underground Railroad Historical Association is raising funds to save a slice of history on GoFundMe, <https://gofund.me/425cf608>. Our goal is to purchase the former property of Quaker Abolitionist and Underground Railroad Conductor Stephen Keese Smith which is on the market. From the 1840s onward, Smith spent \$1,000 to provide refuge in a hidden barn room behind his farmhouse for an estimated 400 enslaved persons, if he spent \$2.50 per person. Freedom seekers stayed on his property during the last leg of their months-long journey to freedom in Canada.

The historic structures on the property need extensive repair work. The front porch on the main farmhouse recently collapsed during a storm, and the barns on the property need repairs to be structurally sound enough for the public to journey inside and step back into their important history.

Currently, NO historical site recognizes the Abolition Movement between Clinton, Franklin, and St. Lawrence counties in New York. This site would fill that void.

Contributions from people like YOU go towards:

- Returning the farmhouse, barns and silos on this 32-acre farm to their original states.
- Creating an educational hub for people of all ages on the often-overlooked legacy of enslavement and those individuals who escaped it through this region.
- Establishing a Community Center that welcomes local functions and conversations about our history and its storytelling.

With your contributions only brings us closer to achieving this mission. Any donation will help.

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**THANK YOU** so much in advance for your contribution.

“We are Lighting Freedom’s Road”



Hiding place in the barn