

CARR-1256

1940

Staffhouse #12

Public

Springfield Hospital Center

Sykesville

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Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Staffhouse #12

and/or common

2. Location Springfield Hospital Center

street & number _____ not for publication

city, town Sykesville _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district 6

state Maryland _____ county Carroll

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: <u>Hospital</u>

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

street & number 201 West Preston Street telephone no.: 301-225-6816

city, town Baltimore state and zip code Maryland 21201

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Courthouse Annex, Rm G-8 liber _____

street & number 55 North Court Street folio _____

city, town Westminster state Maryland 21157

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title _____

date _____ federal state county local

depository for survey records _____

city, town _____ state _____

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Located across from the north gate on Route 32, Staffhouse #12 is a one and a half story, shiplap building. A gable roof with a large overhang covers the dwelling. The building measures five bays deep and three bays long with an one story addition off the southeast wall. Due to the peak of the gable, the middle three bays show the one and a half story height while the flanking two bays remain one story. The main facade faces south. The appearance of the building reflects a vernacular interpretation of the Bungalow style of architecture.

The building displays repetitious features throughout the structure. A stone foundation supports the dwelling. The shiplap siding flares at the base creating a wooden water table. The fenestration exhibits a simple pattern of 8/1 windows with wooden sills and lintels. The lintel shows four levels of progressively larger proportions, ending abruptly in a flat ledge. The gabled ends appear on the east and west walls. The large overhang is decorated by exposed purloins. In contrast, the north and south walls display gabled dormers. Exposed rafters also detail the overhangs of the dormers. A triple window appears on the face of the dormer.

The attachment on the east wall is also covered by shiplap siding and a gabled roof. The attachment ends with a gable wall and an exterior brick chimney of a single flue. The fenestration repeats.

On the north wall, the gable overhang forms a lean-to porch. Plain wooden pillars support the roof. The porch rests on cement piers and extends across the three bays of the dwelling. A central, internal brick chimney breaks the roof line just below the peak of the gable.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1940 Builder/Architect Unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
 and/or
 Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
 Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Staffhouse #12, constructed in 1940, is a contributing structure of the built environment of Springfield State Hospital. As the name implies, this dwelling provided accommodations for those personnel whose responsibility or personal interests required them to live on the hospital grounds. Springfield as well as the other state hospitals have a tradition of providing housing for its employees. Having the staff living on the grounds of the hospital reinforced the association that the hospital was a distinct community. The dwelling continues to serve today as staff housing.

Architecturally, Staffhouse #12 is distinctive from the other historic staffhouses. The dwelling displays architectural features of the Bungalow style of the 1930's and 1940's; whereas the other frame dwellings exhibit vernacular appearances of the turn of the century. Historically, the Staffhouses were built on the edges of the hospital property. This is true for Staffhouse #13 despite the intrusion of Route 32. The growth of the natural vegetation provides a secluded setting for the dwelling.



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West