

T-779  
Velma Turner House  
Bellevue  
Private

c. 1900

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: VELMA TURNER HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: T-779

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
- 2) Geographic Orientation:  
EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):  
INDUSTRIAL / URBAN DOMINANCE
- 4) Resource Type(s):  
1870-1930  
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common VELMA TURNER HOUSE

## 2. Location

street & number Green Street  not for publicationcity, town Bellevue  vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Talbot

## 3. Classification

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

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

name

street &amp; number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court liber

street &amp; number Talbot County Courthouse folio

city, town Easton state MD 21601

## 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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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<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.

The Velma Turner house stands on the north side of Green Street in the center of Bellevue, Talbot County, Maryland. The two-story, side hall/parlor frame house faces southeast with the gable roof oriented on a northeast/southwest axis.

Dating to around the turn of the twentieth century, the two-story, three-bay frame dwelling is supported on a low brick foundation, and the building is sheathed with vinyl siding. Covering the medium pitched gable roof is a layer of asphalt shingles. A two-story, two-bay rear wing extends to the rear.

The southeast (main) elevation is an asymmetrical facade with a side entrance and flanking two-over-two sash windows. The front door is a replacement. Lighting the second floor are three unevenly spaced two-over-two sash windows. The base of the roof is finished with a boxed cornice.

The northeast and southwest sides of the front block are marked by two-over-two sash windows on each floor. The eaves to the roof are slightly extended with short returns at the base.

Covering the northwest (rear) elevation is a two-story, two-bay rear wing that is dominated on the west side by a two-story shed roofed porch. Turned posts support the structure, and a sawn baluster handrail stretches between the second floor posts. An exterior concrete block stack rises against the rear wall.

The interior was not seen.

A single story frame outbuilding stands in the back yard. Vertical boards cover the wall, and sheet tin protects the roof.

# 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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

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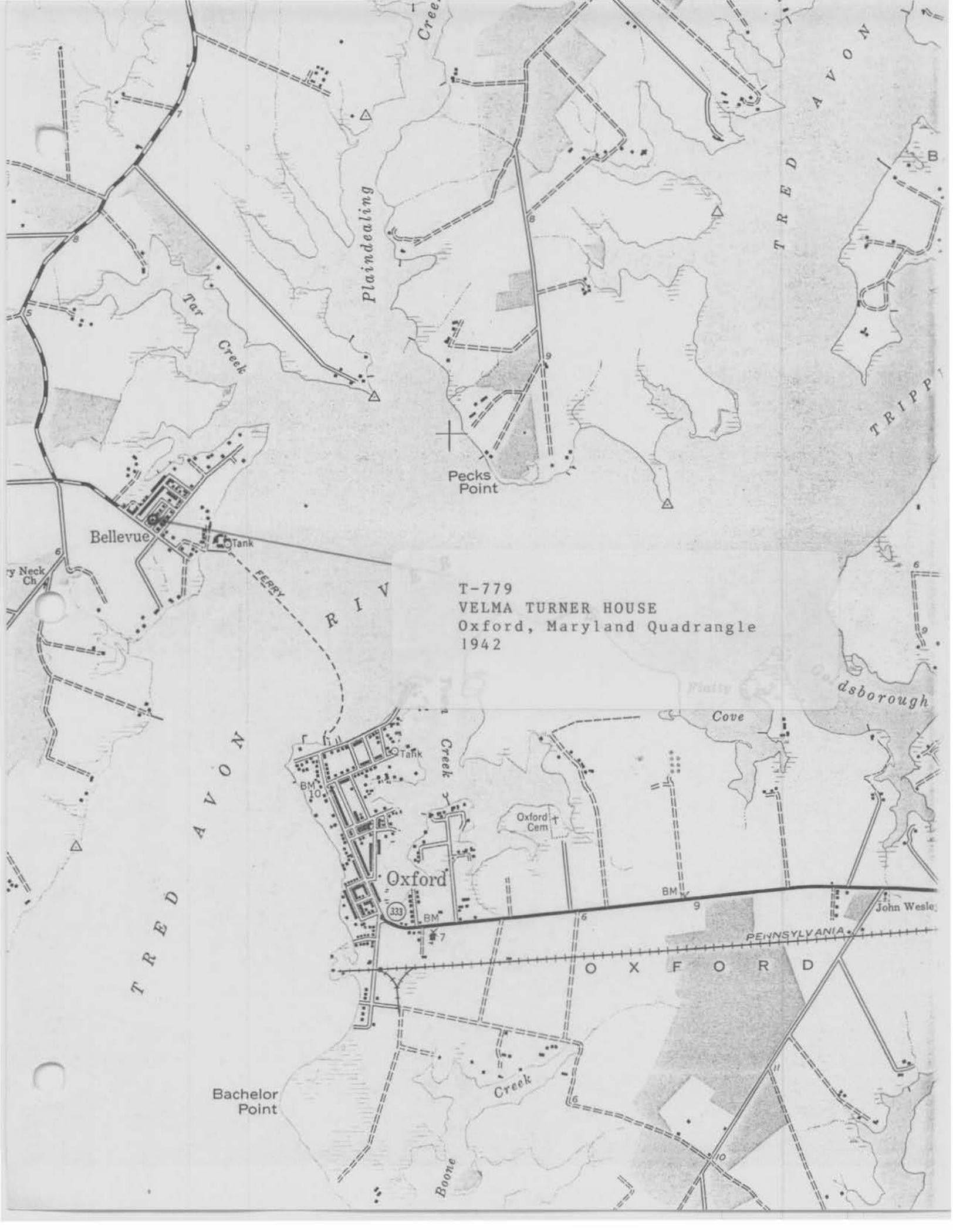
check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or  
Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G  
Level of Significance:  national  state  local

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

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VELMA TURNER HOUSE  
Oxford, Maryland Quadrangle  
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Bachelor Point

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Boote Creek



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Southwest elevation

Bellevue, Talbot County, Maryland

5/90, Paul Touart, photographer

Negative/Md Historical Trust



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