

Fall 2022



The Trudeau Building today, before construction



Rendering of the Trudeau Building after rehabilitation

Case Statement

Historic Saranac Lake will rehabilitate the former home and medical office of Dr. E. L. Trudeau for expansion of the Saranac Laboratory Museum. The project will establish a museum campus that presents Saranac Lake's rich history as an international center for science and medicine as well as the broader story of the Saranac Lake region. The project will revitalize the economic and cultural life of the region and build civic engagement.

Fundraising Progress

\$4,468,000 has been raised toward our goal of \$5.2 million to support acquisition, construction, and museum exhibits. We have secured over \$1.6 million in private donations and foundation grants, over \$1.9 million in state and federal grants, and approximately \$900,000 in historic tax credit financing. To reach our goal, we seek to raise an additional \$732,000 through naming opportunities and additional grant funding.

Construction Timeline

Hazardous materials abatement was completed in June 2022. Design plans have been submitted for review by the NY State Historic Preservation Office and the National Park Service. All tax credit paperwork is complete. We will go out to bid for all phases of construction in January 2023.

Museum Vision

A museum consultant helped define the vision for both museum buildings, articulate main themes, and lay out interpretive approaches. A \$50,000 federal grant from the Institute for Museum and Library Services is supporting the next phase of exhibit design. The new exhibits will be:

- Interactive — Hands-on, multi-media exhibits will engage visitors of all ages.
- Changing — Rotating exhibits will explore a variety of topics pertaining to area history
- Integrated — The two buildings will be united into one attractive, accessible museum campus.
- Relevant — Laboratory exhibits will discuss modern issues in science and public health.

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Our mission is to preserve and present area history and architecture to build a stronger community.

