Your Investment
Thanks to your investment in the Center’s community revitalization work in Lancaster, New Hampshire, the town continues to gain a reputation as a hub for growth, attracting young people who share a love of the landscape and a commitment to renew the pride and vitality of the community.

Momentum
Renovation of the Parker J. Noyes building is central to Lancaster’s momentum. Redevelopment of the building is attracting attention across the state and region as a project that embodies the excitement and hope for rural revitalization. We’re thrilled to share that we recently secured a $176,000-grant from the New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP), a state-funded program that preserves New Hampshire’s most important natural, cultural and historic resources. The project was one of two initiatives out of 33 funded projects highlighted at the awards ceremony in the Governor’s Office.

Local Support
The Parker J. Noyes renovation is also garnering support from residents across the North Country. Community members pitched in to raise for $10,000 for exterior building improvements. When we opened the building for a tour, close to 100 people attended. Many told stories from their past experiences in the building – getting their teeth cleaned at the dentist, buying gifts at the jewelry store, or selecting a favorite comic book from the second-hand book store.

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The Center is committed to renovations that honor both Lancaster’s past and its exciting future. Our project team has recently expanded to include Garland Mill of Lancaster to act as construction managers for the project, and work with our architects, preservation consultant and engineers to restore the building’s
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historic legacy by following the U.S. Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation.

Energy Conservation
At the same time, we’re committed to reducing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions through overall building energy efficiency, a wood pellet heating system, and hopefully a solar array. Renovation of the building has already begun with the removal of environmental contamination and building debris and the installation of a new roof. Full renovations will commence in January 2020.

Next steps
Thanks to your support as well as a mix of state and federal tax credits, public and foundation grants, charitable gifts and impact investments, we have secured a significant portion of the project funding. We welcome additional charitable gifts and impact investments to close our funding gap and to fund the immediate, upfront costs for building renovations.

Again, thank you for joining with us in creating a model for rural community revitalization. Please let me know if you’re interested in a tour of our building or if you have any questions or input. We look forward to updating you on our progress in 2020!

Thank you.

Rob Riley
Alba Architect's rendering of the Parker J. Noyes building renovation.