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Dear Friend of HHI:

Hampton National Historic Site (HNHS) is the most popular tourist site in Baltimore County. Through our partnership with the National Park Service, we continue to work to ensure that this important piece of American history is not lost or forgotten. **Historic Hampton, Inc. (HHI) depends on its friends to help us in our mission.** Our annual giving program is essential so that we may educate the public about Hampton and assist in enhancing the preservation and interpretation of its unparalleled resources.

Although the pandemic has affected all of us in various ways, HHI continues to support exciting virtual and in-person programs/events at HNHS. On October 23, 2021, Harvest Day was a successful in-person event! Everyone was delighted to be back at Hampton. The ever-popular *Holidays at Hampton*, this December 11-12, 2021, will be a hybrid event, with both virtual and more limited in-person programs. In addition, HHI continues to support programs related to HNHS's Ethnographic Overview and Assessment. This study's important results -- identification of family groups of the enslaved people of Hampton, acquiring the full histories of these individuals, and identification of their descendants into the 21<sup>st</sup> century -- are receiving nationwide acclaim.

Please consider donating to HHI to support these programs and events. You can mail your check to HHI or donate using the PayPal option on the HHI website at <u>www.historichampton.org/donate</u>.

HHI hopes you will take advantage of the grounds at Hampton and invite your friends to join you. Please also watch for events on both HHI's and HNHS's Facebook pages and websites. Thank you for your generous and continued support of this historic treasure.

Sincerely,

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