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## **More Exciting Preservation Efforts Underway Soon at Sutter's Fort, This Time on the Interior Walls** *Rehabilitation Efforts Funded by Friends of Sutter's Fort & Generous Donors*

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** – After the completion of a number of exciting restoration and rehabilitation projects at Sutter's Fort State Historic Park (SHP) in recent years – including of the iconic exterior walls and gates, seismic stabilization of the Central Building, upgrades to the pathways, exterior lighting of the interior courtyards, and renovation of the blacksmith shop – California State Parks and nonprofit partner Friends of Sutter's Fort are proud to announce even more preservation efforts will resume in September, this time on the Fort's interior walls. This latest rehabilitation project will total approximately \$115,000, which has been funded by the Friends of Sutter's Fort and their generous donors.

With the work being led by California State Parks, the rehabilitation process is scheduled to occur in sections around the Fort and is expected to be completed by the end of 2017. Similar to the iconic exterior walls, the rehabilitation of the Fort's interior adobe and brick walls will include repointing mortar, repairing cracks and applying fresh "breathable" paint to protect the surface for important historic preservation purposes.

Although much has been accomplished at Sutter's Fort SHP to preserve and protect the structures and artifacts and to improve the visitor experience, there is much more work yet to be done. The next preservation efforts for the Fort will focus on rehabilitating the roofs of the existing interior structures (with the exception of the Central Building that was already completed in 2013). Funding for these projects has not yet been secured, and community members and/or businesses interested in contributing to the future rehabilitation and preservation efforts at the Fort are encouraged to call the Friends of Sutter's Fort at 916-323-7626.



Sutter's Fort SHP will be open daily as usual from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. during this renovation and minimal disruption is expected to the visitor experience. Fort admission costs are as follows: \$5 per adult (18 and older), \$3 per youth (ages 6 to 17) and free for children 5 and under. On special interpretive program days fees are \$7 for adults and \$5 for youth. For more information, call 916-445-4422 or visit [www.suttersfort.org](http://www.suttersfort.org)

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**Friends of Sutter's Fort**

*The Friends of Sutter's Fort is a nonprofit 501 c 3 organization dedicated to the enhancement, preservation and protection of Sutter's Fort State Historic Park, and educational and interpretive programs at the park. Friends of Sutter's Fort is a Cooperating Association for California State Parks since 2006. Friends of Sutter's Fort is the major funder of both restoration work and programs at Sutter's Fort State Historic Park. Through the generosity of our donors, in the past 3 years alone, we have funded several major projects including the painting of the exterior walls, the restoration of the blacksmith shop and the painting of the interior walls (currently underway). In addition, we are proud to provide funding to support the educational programs at the park. For more information, please visit [www.suttersfort.org](http://www.suttersfort.org)*

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