

CARR-1253

1906

Staffhouse #11

Public

Springfield Hospital Center

Sykesville

Staffhouse #11 is a two and a half story structure constructed of shiplap and shingles. Cross gables detail the roof line. Built as a gatehouse, the building lies at the west entrance of the hospital.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic West Gatehouse

and/or common Staffhouse #11

## 2. Location Springfield Hospital Center

street & number \_\_\_\_\_  not for publication

city, town Sykesville \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ congressional district 6

state Maryland \_\_\_\_\_ county Carroll

## 3. Classification

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

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

name Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

street &amp; number 201 West Preston Street telephone no.: 301-225-6816

city, town Baltimore state and zip code Maryland 21201

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Carroll County Courthouse Annex, Rm G-8 liber

street &amp; number 55 North Court Street folio

city, town Westminster state Maryland 21157

## 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.

Staffhouse #11 lies at the west entrance to the hospital. The two and a half story building faces west, toward Route 32. Constructed of shiplap and shingles, the dwelling displays an altered L shaped plan with four visible gable ends.

Shiplap covers the first floor while shingles cover the remainder. The gable roof is covered with a composition roof. The fenestration pattern is the same for the first and second floors. The 2/2 sash windows exhibit wide, wooden surrounds and wooden sills. The half story windows are single-sash.

The west wall measures three bays on the first floor while the second floor is only one central bay. A one story porch extends the length of the west face. Wooden posts with scrollwork brackets support the lean-to roof. A similar porch appears on the east wall.

Gable ends appear on the west, south, and north walls. Each exhibits plain projecting verges with return eaves. Two gable ends are visible on the north side because of a one and a half story addition. The addition attaches to the northeast corner giving the east wall a measurement of five bays. The addition shares the same architectural elements including a gable roof with the original building.

# 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** 1906 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

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.

Staffhouse #11 was constructed as a gatehouse for the west entrance of the hospital in 1906. A gatehouse for the north entrance was also constructed at the same time. The gatehouses served to distinguish the boundaries of the hospital and promote its identity as a distinct community. Employees lived in the dwelling and regulated the flow of traffic in and out of the hospital. The gatehouses provided a concrete symbol for the boundary of the hospital.

Despite several periods of alterations, the dwelling still retains its architectural integrity. The setting and the location of the staffhouse strongly links the building to its intended function of a gatehouse. The original stone pillars still mark the entrance. The good structural condition of the building helps to reflect the workmanship of the architectural elements. The design of the building is representative of the rural dwellings in southern Carroll County.





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Don Jewell, 6/86

Negatives at MHT

East



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South and West