

VISITOR FAQ

When and where can I view the self-guided exhibit on the life of Frances Perkins?

A free, self-guided exhibit on the life of Frances Perkins will be available in the 1837 barn at the Homestead located at 478 River Road, Newcastle, ME from June 15–August 30, Wednesday–Saturday, 10 am–2 pm.

I would like a guided tour of the Frances Perkins Homestead Brick House. Can I do that this summer?

This summer, construction and cataloguing of the collections will be taking place in the Brick House. Guided house tours are planned for summer 2025.

What else is available to do and see during my visit to the Homestead?

Visitors are welcome to walk the grounds and gardens of the 57-acre property and enjoy the trails leading to the Damariscotta River. A map of the site is provided.

Could I also visit your exhibit center in Damariscotta?

Our exhibit center in Damariscotta is now permanently closed and all staff and operations have moved to the Homestead site in Newcastle.

I just want to walk around the trails at the Homestead. Do I have to come during your open hours or make a reservation?

The trails are open to visitors seven days a week, year-round, from sunrise to sunset. You do not need to make a reservation.

Can I camp on the Homestead grounds?

No.

Can I rent the Homestead to host a private event?

No.

Why are you asking for visitor surveys?

The Frances Perkins Center is growing! Your feedback will help us learn what visitors want in the future in terms of interpretation, programs, amenities, and more.

I am a researcher interested in Frances Perkins. How can I learn more about her for my project?

Our website, francesperkinscenter.org includes resources and links that will help get you started. The website is updated frequently.