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New Owner

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On Tuesday the Prince William Board of County Supervisors voted to transfer ownership of the Ben Lomond Manor House to the Prince

William County Park Authority. The house, located along Sudley Manor Drive in the Sudley area, will be restored for use as a cultural arts center.

## Manor House Is Revitalized

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The aging Ben Lomond Manor House in the community of Sudley near Manassas is once again going to come into its own, thanks to a mutual effort by the Cultural Arts Federation and the Prince William Board of County Supervisors.

On Tuesday, Gainesville Supervisor Guy (Tony) Guiffre, whose district includes the Sudley residential planned community where the Manor House is located, persuaded the Board of County Supervisors during the regular session to appropriate \$10,000 for the project.

The money will come from the county general fund to support the Federation's efforts in refurbishing

the Manor House.

Following the restoration, the Manor House is to be used as an arts center and public recreational facility. Reports indicate the Federation will locate its offices on the second floor, using the first floor for art exhibits and other community purposes.

The Federation also plans to seek support from community organizations and businesses, in its efforts.

The site has been turned over to the Prince William County Park Authority, from which the Federation will rent the building for a \$1 a year.

According to William Mastbrook, Federation spokesman, the group hopes to hire an executive director by fall.

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