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National Park Service invites public comment on proposed entrance fee increase at the Home of FDR and Vanderbilt Mansion national historic sites

HYDE PARK, N.Y. — The National Park Service (NPS) is proposing to increase the entrance fee at the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site and Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site to support projects that benefit visitors and protect park resources. The increased fee revenue will allow the parks to address preservation needs of the homes, which is critical to ensuring the continued enjoyment and long-term preservation of these significant sites.

Under the proposal, the current entrance fee of \$10 per individual 16 years and older would increase to \$15 person. Those 15 years old and younger would still enter for free. The proposal also includes a new yearly park specific pass for both the Home of FDR and Vanderbilt Mansion for \$45. The new entrance fee would go into effect in May 2024 and be required year-round for entrance into the historic houses. The NPS is requesting feedback on the entrance fee increase during a 30-day public comment period that will be open from Jan. 16 through Feb. 16, 2024. Comments must be submitted online through the NPS Planning, Environment, and Public Comment website at <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/hydeparkfeeincrease>.

The proposed increase would make the Home of FDR and Vanderbilt Mansion national historic sites' entrance fees consistent with historic sites, museums, and other cultural institutions in the Hudson Valley. The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum, operated by the National Archives, also plans to adopt this fee increase to maintain consistent fees at the FDR sites. This fee increase would occur in concert with an increase at Sagamore Hill National Historic Site in Oyster Bay, N.Y.

The previous entrance fee increase at the Home of FDR was \$1 in 2018. The previous entrance fee increase at Vanderbilt Mansion was from \$8 to \$10 in 2013. Both national parks in Hyde Park retain 96.5% of their entrance fee revenue which, by law, must be expended on improving, preserving, and maintaining park resources and programs that directly benefit park visitors. Over the past five years entrance fee dollars have funded trail maintenance, the preservation of historic structures, gardens and landscapes, and the care and conservation of historic furnishings in the homes.

The entrance fee increase would not change the National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Passes that are valid for entry at national parks, including the Annual, Senior, Access, 4th Grade, Military Annual, and Military Lifetime passes.

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