

Main Street Area Survey
(Baxter House)
18 North Main Street
Lexington (independent city)
Virginia

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey
National Park Service
Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Virginia		COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY Lexington (independent city)
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Baxter House (recorded as part of the Main Street Area Survey)			HABS NO. VA-897-B
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 18 North Main Street			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) ca. 1840's		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Integral part of Lexington's historic Main Street. The name derives from the owners during the late 19th century, the Baxter sisters, who ran a school in the building.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick			
HAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular; 2 stories plus basement; gable roof			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Parapeted gables; entrance has sidelights and transom			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Interiors have been completely modernized. As of 1977, the door in the southernmost bay had been replaced by a window.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) yle, Royster, Jr. and Simpson, Pamela. <u>The Architecture of Historic Lexington</u> . 1977.			
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