

Project REACH Timeline

2002-03 East Arkansas Settlement Study confirms construction date of Rice-Upshaw structure as ca 1828 and William Looney Tavern as ca. 1833.

2003	BRTC students participate in art and writing project connected to the two structures
2004	Discussions begin concerning desire for restoration of structures
2006	BRTC Board of Trustees agree in principle to seek funds for restoration of structures for use as educational settings
2006	Family owners Jean Upshaw and family and Jack and Christina French donate structures to BRTC
2006	BRTC awarded ANCRC grant for stabilization and to develop REACH Master Plan
2007	BRTC awarded ANCRC grant for restoration of Rice-Upshaw House
2008	BRTC awarded ANCRC grant for restoration of William Looney Tavern
2009	Rice-Upshaw House restoration completed; Jean Upshaw Family Dedication ceremony held; BRTC awarded ANCRC grant for completion of restoration of William Looney Tavern, site enhancements for Rice-Upshaw House
2010	William Looney Tavern restoration completed; Jack and Christine French Family Dedication ceremony held
2011	Rice-Upshaw House site enhancements completed; Two-day Celebration draws large crowds for official "opening" of the two sites
2012	Public visitation of the Rice-Upshaw House and William Looney Tavern begins