

John H. Chafee Blackstone River
Valley National Heritage Corridor



Abby Kelly Foster

Anti-Slavery Organizer

Abby Kelly Foster, born and bred in the Blackstone Valley, with strong Quaker training and a fiery spirit, campaigned against the evils of slavery as an agent for the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society. She helped teach young Frederick Douglass fundamentals about the “practical business of entering a strange town and organizing” successful meetings.

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