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Montana Historic Preservation Program

2025 Biennium Project Funding Recommendations

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2025 Biennium MHPG Projects Recommended for Funding

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) administers the Montana Historic Preservation Grant (MHPG) Program, created through House Bill 338 during the 66th Legislative Session in 2019 and codified at Section 22-3-1305, et seq., MCA. MHPG provides a competitive grant program for public or private entities to complete activities for the preservation of historic sites, historical societies, or history museums in the state. Applications must be submitted to Commerce by March 1st on even numbered years.

Funding for MHPG grants comes from the Historic Preservation Grant Program account established in 17-2-102, MCA and is subject to appropriation by the legislature. As of January 1, 2020, tax collections allocated in 15-68-820(3)(b) and (4)(c) began depositing in the Historic Preservation Grant Program account.

MHPG project grants are available on a competitive basis through statutory criteria established in Section 22-3-1306, MCA. The six statutory criteria include the following: (a) Support of Economic Activity or Stimulus, (b) Purpose and Need of Proposed Project, (c) Project Timeline and Matching Funds, (d) State Historic or Heritage Value, (e) Experience and Capacity to Complete Proposed Project, and; (f) Ongoing and Future State Economic Benefit.

Commerce received 48 grant applications for consideration of 2025 Biennium MHPG funding, requesting \$14,069,913 in funds for the following project types: 37 historic sites, 11 history museums, and no historical society projects, although 6 history museums were also historical sites. It is important to note that applications may cover more than one project type but are listed with only one project type in information within this document. For example, the Buses of Yellowstone Preservation Trust, Inc. applied for preservation activities for the A.D. Whitcomb Garage, which is both a history museum and historic site.

Staff reviewed and ranked all applications based on the statutory criteria in the MHPG Application Guidelines and Administration Manual, as set forth in Section 22-3-1305, MCA. In accordance with the MHPG statute, staff reviewed and ranked all applications in consultation with the Tourism Advisory Council and the State Historical Preservation Office to develop the final recommendations. The total possible points available for projects in the 2025 Biennium ranking was 1,100 and did result in ties between projects as shown in the information contained in this document.

On page 4 of this document, Commerce provided one list of all 48 project applications submitted for the 2025 Biennium in a ranked order with the amount of recommended financial assistance for each project for consideration and inclusion into the Governor's budget. The Governor's budget

recommends projects up to the revenue amount projected to be received in the Historic Preservation Grant account for the 2025 biennium. Projects numbered 1 through 29 are recommended for funding, as shown on page 4, for a total appropriation of \$8,501,314. The project recommendations in the Governor's Budget are advisory to the legislature and Commerce is prepared to present these recommendations to the legislature by the 15th day of the 68th Legislative Session. The MHPG statute provides that the legislature will make the final decisions on funding awards and make the necessary appropriations for these grants.

Montana Historic Preservation Grant Program
Award Recommendations for the 2025 Biennium

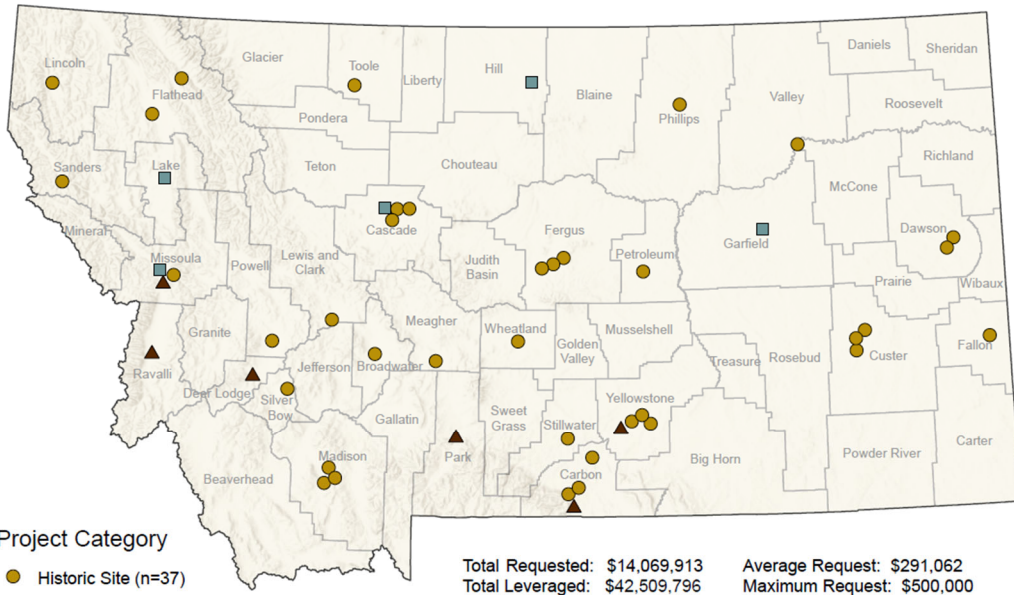
Rank	Applicant	Project	County	Grant Request	Total Project	Cumulative Grant Request
1	Harlowton, City of	Harlowton Roundhouse	Wheatland	\$500,000	\$865,000	\$500,000
2	Fort Peck Fine Arts Council	Fort Peck Theatre	Valley	\$500,000	\$1,047,945	\$1,000,000
3	Southeastern Montana Area Revitalization Team (SMART)	Baker State Bank Building	Fallon	\$160,000	\$195,000	\$1,160,000
4	Petroleum County	Petroleum County Courthouse	Petroleum	\$498,720	\$1,650,000	\$1,658,720
5	Bighorn Valley Health Center, Inc. dba One Health	Milligan Building	Custer	\$500,000	\$13,200,000	\$2,158,720
6	The Ringling Commons, LLC	Ringling Church	Meagher	\$141,773	\$170,128	\$2,300,493
7	National Museum of Forest Service History	National Museum of Forest Service History	Missoula	\$300,000	\$12,600,000	\$2,600,493
8	Project49	Historic Teslow Grain Elevator	Park	\$486,102	\$665,102	\$3,086,595
8	Buses of Yellowstone Preservation Trust, Inc.	A.D. Whitcomb Garage	Carbon	\$136,366	\$170,458	\$3,222,961
10	Havre Beneath the Streets	Havre Beneath the Streets	Hill	\$359,672	\$447,172	\$3,582,633
11	Hockaday Museum of Art	Hockaday Museum of Art	Flathead	\$31,000	\$50,000	\$3,613,633
11	Friends of the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula	Historical Museum at Fort Missoula	Missoula	\$272,000	\$340,684	\$3,885,633
13	Shelby, City of	Shelby Town Hall	Toole	\$5,600	\$7,000	\$3,891,233
14	Montana Heritage Commission - Coggsell/Taylor House	Coggsell-Taylor House	Madison	\$176,562	\$261,562	\$4,067,795
15	Community Health Care Center, Inc. dba Alluvion Health	Rocky Mountain Building	Cascade	\$500,000	\$1,162,487	\$4,567,795

15	Cascade County Historical Society dba The History Museum	The History Museum	Cascade	\$340,000	\$425,000	\$4,907,795
15	Copper Village Museum and Arts Center	Copper Village Museum and Arts Center	Anaconda-Deer Lodge	\$235,000	\$282,000	\$5,142,795
18	Friends of Historic Hotel Libby	Historic Hotel Libby	Lincoln	\$173,659	\$217,074	\$5,316,454
18	Red Lodge Area Community Foundation	Roosevelt Center	Carbon	\$367,578	\$459,473	\$5,684,032
20	75 Park Street LLC	Kelly Block Building	Butte-Silverbow	\$500,000	\$8,500,000	\$6,184,032
20	Original Montana Club Cooperative Association	Montana Club	Lewis & Clark	\$90,040	\$112,766	\$6,274,072
20	Sonja Maxwell	Charles Krug House	Dawson	\$145,000	\$175,000	\$6,419,072
23	Bloom Coffeehouse and Eatery	Glendive Greenhouse at Bloom Coffeehouse and Eatery	Dawson	\$250,000	\$300,000	\$6,669,072
23	SGS Properties, LLC	Edwards & McLellan Block	Phillips	\$221,590	\$359,390	\$6,890,662
25	Montana Heritage Commission - Hickman House	Hickman House	Madison	\$166,073	\$234,073	\$7,056,735
25	Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art	Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art	Cascade	\$300,979	\$368,129	\$7,357,714
25	Billings Depot, Inc.	Billings Depot	Yellowstone	\$414,400	\$518,000	\$7,772,114
28	Cine Billings dba Art House Cinema	Babcock Theatre	Yellowstone	\$236,000	\$301,000	\$8,008,114
29	Glacier National Park Conservancy	Wheeler Cabin	Flathead	\$493,200	\$610,305	\$8,501,314
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30	Montana Heritage Commission - Gilbert House	Gilbert House	Madison	\$297,000	\$372,000	\$8,798,314
30	Stillwater County	Stillwater County Courthouse	Stillwater	\$500,000	\$2,125,200	\$9,298,314
30	Yogo Mansion LLC	Waite House	Fergus	\$390,000	\$1,030,000	\$9,688,314

33	Billings Preservation Society	Moss Mansion	Yellowstone	\$500,000	\$700,000	\$10,188,314
34	Homeword, Inc (Ouellette Place)	Ouellette Place	Fergus	\$287,300	\$359,200	\$10,475,614
34	Homeword, Inc. (Acme Historic Hotel)	Acme Building	Yellowstone	\$321,100	\$401,600	\$10,796,714
36	Great Falls, City of	Great Falls Civic Center	Cascade	\$500,000	\$1,086,567	\$11,296,714
37	Miles City Convent Keepers	Miles City Convent Keepers Community Center	Custer	\$119,688	\$150,313	\$11,416,402
38	Homeword, Inc (Lenox Flats)	Lenox Flats Building	Missoula	\$288,330	\$370,630	\$11,704,732
38	Miles City Elks Lodge #537	Miles City Elks Lodge #537	Custer	\$200,000	\$250,000	\$11,904,732
40	Daly Mansion Preservation Trust	Daly Mansion	Ravalli	\$266,400	\$333,000	\$12,171,132
40	Fountain Terrace Condominiums Inc.	Fountain Terrace Condominiums	Fergus	\$500,000	\$1,061,000	\$12,671,132
40	Garfield County	Garfield County Museum	Garfield	\$500,000	\$1,440,000	\$13,171,132
43	Deer Lodge, City of	Deer Lodge City Hall	Powell	\$283,500	\$355,500	\$13,454,632
44	Spofford Hotel Company	Pollard Hotel	Carbon	\$118,720	\$148,400	\$13,573,352
45	Joliet, Town of	Joliet Town Hall and Courthouse	Carbon	\$83,000	\$100,000	\$13,656,352
46	Lakeside Distillery	Lakeside Distillery	Broadwater	\$65,000	\$165,425	\$13,721,352
47	Miracle of America Museum	Miracle of America Museum	Lake	\$92,623	\$116,204	\$13,813,975
48	Mountana Consulting, LLC	Legal Tender Bar and Hotel Building	Sanders	\$255,938	\$319,922	\$14,069,913

Montana Historic Preservation Grant (MHPG)

Applications Received - 2025 Biennium



Project Category

- Historic Site (n=37)
- History Museum (n=5)
- ▲ History Museum & Historic Site (n=6)

Total Requested: \$14,069,913
 Total Leveraged: \$42,509,796
 Average Request: \$291,062
 Maximum Request: \$500,000
 Minimum Request: \$5,600

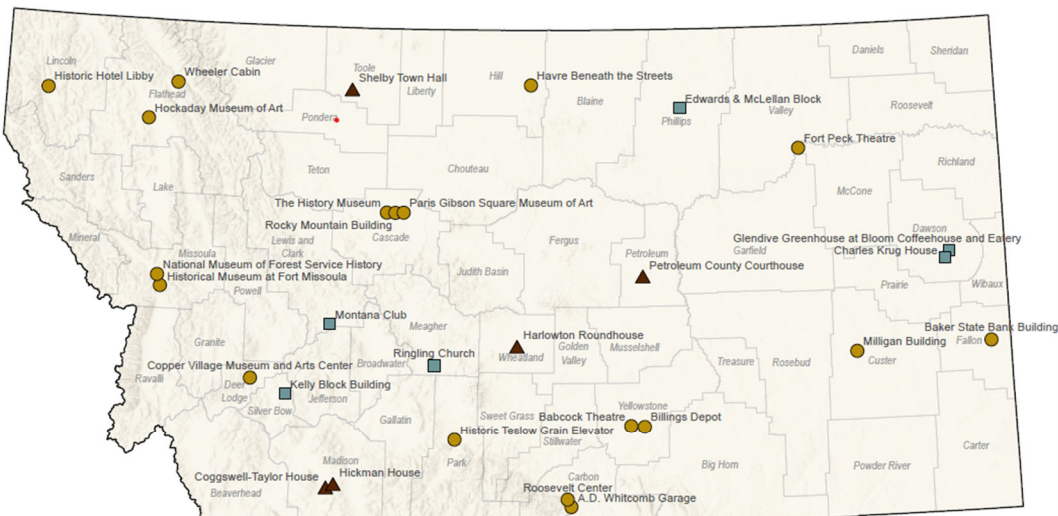
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Montana Historic Preservation Grant (MHPG)

Recommended Projects - 2025 Biennium



Type of Entity

- Non-Profit (n=18)
- For-Profit (n=6)
- ▲ Government Entity (n=5)

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Project No. 1 City of Harlowton, Harlowton Roundhouse

Repair the exterior walls, windows, and doors to insulate the historic Milwaukee Road's Harlowton Roundhouse. One of only 12 remaining roundhouses in the country. The project will secure the building against water intrusion and vandalism and allow the roundhouse to be open to the public

This application received 1020 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 1 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
EPA Brownfields	Grant	\$75,000	Awarded
Snowy Mountain Development Corporation's Brownfields Area-wide Assessment Grant	Loan	\$40,000	Awarded
Snowy Mountain Development Corporation's Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grant	Grant	\$250,000	Awarded
Project Total		\$865,000	

Applicant type –Government, Historic site

Project History – The Harlowton Roundhouse is within the National Historic Registered District of the Milwaukee Historic Railroad District. The roundhouse was constructed in 1908 and is the last roundhouse still standing in Montana and only one of 12 in the nation. The last train passed through Harlowton's Railyard in 1979 and signaled an end to the largest employer in the area and since that time the population has dwindled from a peak of 1730 to 955. The roundhouse is overall in a state of disrepair. The City and DEQ have been awarded over \$2.5 million in cleanup funds to address the historic diesel contamination at the railyard. In 2017, DEQ and the City received a DNRC Renewable Resource Grant and Loan (RRGL) Planning grant to produce a community generated wetland/nature trail restoration plan for the area impacted by diesel contamination. Following the wetland/nature trail restoration plan, SMDC and DEQ funded a \$40,000 community led Concept Plan for the entire 180 acres of Harlowton's Milwaukee Road Historic Rail District. This Concept Plan recorded the community's vision and discussed development alternatives for the completion of a recreational park, RV campground, new housing, and transforming the Roundhouse into a community event center. The project has been broken out into three phases with the proposed project being in phase 2.

Identified Problem – The applicant's needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Building is not weathertight and is susceptible to water intrusion and vandalism.
- The exterior of the Roundhouse is severely compromised and requires immediate attention.
- The existence of multiple broken windows, roofing panels missing, and openings in the exterior walls and doors continues to endanger and compromise the integrity of the structure.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Secure the building against water intrusion and vandalism.
- Repair the exterior walls, windows, and doors to properly insulate and provide a weathertight enclosure so the Roundhouse could be open to the public.

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as they note the State Historic Preservation office will be consulted on all preservation and restoration activities.

Project No. 2 Fort Peck Fine Arts Council, Fort Peck Theatre

Updated heating, cooling, and ventilation to be able to keep the 1934 Fort Peck Theatre open year round rather than just seasonally. The building has hosted many performances over the last 50 years and these upgrades could open the theatre to even more entertainment and activities beyond the 14 weeks of the year and as the only performing arts center within a 300 mile radius provides a much needed amenity to the region.

This application received 990 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 2 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
FPFAC Funding	Savings	\$147,945	Committed
Murdoch Family Trust	Grant	\$350,000	Pending
Treacy Foundation	Grant	\$50,000	Pending
Project Total		\$1,047,945	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The 900 seat Fort Peck Theatre was constructed in 1934. The original heating system of the facility was long ago abandoned. The building now uses an electrical split air conditioning system and has no central heating system. The stage area is uncomfortably hot, and the back of the theatre is uncomfortable cold. No building wide mechanical ventilation system is in place and ventilation is limited to operable windows and doors.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiency:

- Outdated and inoperable heating, cooling, and ventilation systems.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Removing existing mechanical equipment, ductwork, piping, hangers, and hazardous materials from the theatre, and installing a new water cooled variable refrigerant heating and cooling system. This new system would require installation of a boiler plant, outdoor dry cooler, refrigerant distribution piping, and decentralized fan coils. Existing tunnels could potentially be utilized for piping raceways and duct distribution. The new dry cooler could be located on a concrete platform on the north side of the building. The system would include a heat recovery type ventilator to meet the ventilation requirements for the theatre.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Project No. 3 - Southeastern Montana Area Revitalization Team (SMART), Baker State Bank Building
Replacing the roof on the Baker State Bank Building. The Baker State Bank Building in downtown Baker is being rehabilitated in phases to house the offices for the Southeastern Montana Area Revitalization Team and Baker Chamber of Commerce, along with a business incubator and three units of workforce housing.

This application received 970 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 3 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$160,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
SMART	Loan	\$35,000	Committed
Project Total		\$195,000	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1909, the Baker State Bank building sits at the intersection of Highway 12 and 7 in downtown Baker. It is rumored to be the cornerstone of the original town plat. Over the years, it has served as a bank, community space, office space, and masonic temple. It is now owned by the Southeastern Montana Area Revitalization Team (SMART), which is the local non-profit economic development organization. Once renovated, the structure will be used for SMART and the Baker Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture’s office along with a business incubator on the first floor, and three affordable housing apartments on the second floor.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The roof of the structure is a hot tar mop down system that is in poor condition.
- Flashing at the south wall is failing, allowing water to seep into the second-floor wall and causing visible leaks.
- The roof-facing sides of the parapets need to be repointed.
- In addition, the east addition has a polyurethane spray-on roof system that is failing; it has splits from exposure and shrinkage, puncture holes from hail, and dampness at the foam base.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Replacing the roof on the Baker State Bank building. This will include removing the current roof to the wood deck or sheathing, replacement as needed of the wood deck or sheathing, reroofing the structure, and patching/repainting the brick on the parapet to maintain the historical integrity of the structure.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards (but did not specify which one).

Condition – If funded, the applicant must submit the environmental review form for the environmental review.

Project No. 4 Petroleum County, Petroleum County Courthouse

Rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of the Petroleum County Courthouse to create four apartments and five office spaces on the underutilized second floor of the courthouse. The project will include replacing the roof, adding an elevator, adding a fire suppression system, improving the fire escape, and replacing windows.

This application received 950 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 4 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$498,720	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
CDBG Housing	Grant	\$600,000	Committed
Private Contributions	Cash	\$400,000	Pending
Steele-Reese Foundation	Grant	\$75,000	Pending
Wells-Fargo Foundation	Grant	\$50,000	Planned (Has not applied)
Treacy Foundation	Grant	\$26,280	Planned (Has not applied)
Project Total		\$1,650,000	

Applicant type – Government entity, Historic site

Project History – Petroleum County is rehabbing their historic County courthouse, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places, to create housing and office space. The building houses the County’s courtroom, sheriff’s office, commissioners’ room, clerk and reorder, treasurer, and county records. The proposed rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of the Petroleum County Courthouse addresses the community’s housing need by creating four apartments and five office spaces on the underutilized second floor of the courthouse. The second floor is currently mostly empty and associated improvements throughout will help reduce building maintenance expenses, meet community needs of housing and office space, and create a revenue stream to help bolster the financial viability of the County to maintain the courthouse. The building has many deferred maintenance needs, and the projects will address those while increasing accessibility, adding fire protection, and improving the building’s energy efficiency. The County has been working with local non-profit Winnett ACES (Agricultural Community Enhancement and Sustainability) to fundraise and manage the project which has included the completion of a feasibility study and a Preliminary Architectural Report.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Failing roof;
- Lack of fire suppression;
- Outdated lift that doesn’t serve the public and is often not in service;
- Dilapidated fire escape; and
- Boarded up windows.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Replacing the roof and installing a photovoltaic array,
- Installing an elevator and fire suppression system while improving the fire escape, and
- Replacing boarded up windows with functioning, high efficiency windows of period appropriate design.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as the PAR identifies methods for compliance. The applicant will be utilizing historic tax credits for the project and detailed how every project will meet the standards.

Project No. 5 – Bighorn Valley Health Center, Inc. dba One Health, Milligan Building

Restoration of the windows, doors, ceiling, floors, and façade, and rebuilding of the storefront in a historically accurate manner for the Milligan Building in Miles City. This is one phase in a \$13.2 million project that will rehabilitate the structure into a community health center, filling a gap in health services in Eastern Montana and fostering economic development in a blighted area of downtown.

This application received 940 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 5 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
One Health	Cash	\$653,202	Committed
Project Total		\$1,153,202	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Milligan Building, historically known as the Bullard Block, was constructed in 1898 in downtown Miles City. One Health, a community health center that provides primary and preventative health care to patients regardless of their ability to pay or insurance status, recently purchased the property. Before this, the structure was a pawn shop on the first floor and vacant on the second and third floors. One Health is completing a \$13.2 million rehabilitation of the structure into a health clinic; this project involves the creation of 10 jobs and retention of 36 jobs in the health clinic. The health clinic will include a telemedicine hub and clinical training program along with integrated primary and preventative health care services (medical, dental, behavior health, pharmacy) and the co-location of Custer County Public Health within the Milligan Building.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ At this time, the structure is not adequate for its intended use as a health clinic; structural deficiencies will be handled with other funding but concurrently to the proposed project with MHPG funds. As it relates to the proposed project, the brick masonry has significantly deteriorated, and the historic features (doors, windows, floors, ceilings) and first floor storefront are in need of rehabilitation.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project, as opposed to the overall project that involves the complete rehabilitation of the structure, will include:

- ❑ Restoring the original wood windows,
- ❑ Restoring and tuckpointing the brick façade on each side,
- ❑ Demolishing the slipcover on the first floor storefront,
- ❑ Restoring the first floor storefront in a historically-accurate manner, and
- ❑ Restoring the hardwood floors, wood panel doors, and pressed metal ceiling.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Project No. 6 – Ringling Commons, LLC, Ringling Church

Installing a new roof and listing on the National Register of Historic Places for the Ringling Church in Ringling. The Ringling Church is undergoing extensive renovation by a group of community members, so that it can serve as a community and event center to increase tourism and events in the area.

This application received 930 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 6 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$141,773	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Ringling Commons, LLC	Cash	\$28,355	Committed
Project Total		\$170,128	

Applicant type – For-profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Ringling Church, which is located on a hill overlooking Ringling Montana, was built in 1914. Throughout its history, it has served as a community church and gathering place. The new and current owners, Ringling Commons, LLC, are a collective of local residents working to restore the Ringling Church to create a functioning and rentable space. Ringling Commons, LLC has undertaken Phase 1 of the restoration; this included completing interior framing, restoring original wood floors, adding electrical service, insulation, and plumbing. Ringling Commons, LLC is seeking MHPG funding for Phase 2.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The current roof was installed in 1998; it is nearing the end of its lifespan and has been patched in numerous places.
- The structure does not have ADA access, nor is it listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Replacing the roof in order to protect the interior restoration and insulate the structure,
- Listing the Ringling Church on the National Register of Historic Places which will provide access to other financing like Historic Tax Credits, and
- Adding a deck around the entrances to improve ADA access and compliance. The applicant is not seeking MHPG funds for this component of Phase 2.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they would follow the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Project No. 7 - National Museum of Forest Service History, *National Museum of Forest Service History*
Installation of security and fire suppression systems, climate control, and storage in the repository for the 50,000 items in the collections at the Conservation Legacy Center. The Conservation Legacy Center is a new \$10.6m museum that tells the story of the country's conservation legacy and is anticipated to attract 80,000-100,000 non-resident visitors each year.

This application received 900 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 7 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$300,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Private Museum Donor	Estate Gift	\$1,700,000	Committed
Project Total		\$2,000,000	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, History Museum

Project History – The National Museum of Forest Service History is a 501(c)(3) whose mission is to share the rich history and story of America’s conservation legacy. The museum has 50,000 photographs, documents, letters, instruments, objects, and tools in its collection. The museum is breaking ground on its new facility – the Conservation Legacy Center – in 2023 on its 31-acre campus near the Missoula Airport. The new facility includes a museum on the first floor along with a repository on the lower level to safely store and access the collections for the historians, researchers, educators, students, and public that access them each year.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ Right now, the museum’s collections are being stored in a temporary facility in Missoula, where it is exposed to dust and fluctuating temperatures. The temporary facility is near capacity and only protected by a basic security and fire suppression system. In addition, the facility is being sold so the collections will have to move. The capital campaign for the \$10.6m Conservation Legacy Center did not include security, fire suppression, storage, and climate control for the repository.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- ❑ Installation of a security and fire suppression system, climate control, and storage in the repository at the Conservation Legacy Center.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the SOI standards do not apply to a project like this.

Project No. 8 - Project49, Historic Teslow Grain Elevator

Completing structural reinforcement to the foundation and wooden walls, installing exterior insulation, adding 2 additional floors and code complaint stairs as part of a larger commercial reuse of the historic grain elevator. The redevelopment of the structure will activate commercial lease space and a museum facility that will provide a sustainable revenue source for future preservation needs.

This application received 880 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 8 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$486,102	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Project49	Cash	\$179,000	Secured
Project Total		\$665,102	

Applicant type – Non-profit, Historic site

Project History – The Teslow grain elevator, also known as the Billy Miles & Bros. grain elevator, was built in 1906 along the Northern Pacific Railyard just east of downtown Livingston. The structure is representative of early 20th century wooden construction grain elevators, consisting of heavy timber wood framing supporting wooden cribbed walls and bins. The elevator was used for its intended purpose until the 1980s after which it sat underutilized. In 2016 the roof of the head house was significantly damaged and the structure was slated for demolition. The Teslow Preservation Group rallied to save the structure and raised over \$300,000 for needed repairs and interior clean up. The group has transferred ownership of the structure to Project49 with the intention of facilitating the commercial reuse of the grain elevator to ensure sustainable revenue will facilitate long term preservation of the historic structure.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The structure currently is not designed to meet commercial building codes and is in need of structural reinforcement to the foundation and wooden walls.
- The exterior walls lack insulation and the metal siding is missing in some areas of the building.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project includes:

- Reinforcing the structural system of the foundation and wooden structure,
- Insulating the exterior walls,
- Replacing missing siding, and
- Adding 2 additional floors with code complaint stairs.
- The applicant will also install the main electrical service and plumbing connections and will renovate the attached historic garage to be a museum to the wooden grain elevators of the West and the agricultural history of the area.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered and will follow the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Condition- If awarded, the applicant will be required to provide documentation demonstrating public notice for the environmental review public hearing.

Project No. 8 – Buses of Yellowstone Preservation Trust, A.D. Whitcomb Garage

Upgrade of the electrical system for code compliance, plaster wall repair and painting, window and exterior door replacement. The A.D. Whitcomb Garage houses and exhibits pre-WWII buses and vehicles used in Yellowstone National Park and attracted visitors from over 43 states and 3 foreign countries in 2021.

This application received 880 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 8 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$136,366	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Buses of Yellowstone Preservation Trust	Cash	\$24,092	Secured
Montana History Foundation	Grant	\$10,000	Pending
Project Total		\$170,458	

Applicant Type: Non-profit, Historic site, History museum

Project History – Built in 1936, the A.D. Whitcomb Garage was established in downtown Red Lodge as one of the first service stations in Montana and is a contributing building to the Red Lodge Commercial Historic District. The Buses of Yellowstone Preservation Trust currently operates a visitor center in the Whitcomb garage with the purpose to preserve, display, and utilize a collection of original Pre-WWII vehicles operated by the National Parks. The Buses of Yellowstone Preservation Trust purchased the building in 2018 and conducted an Architectural Assessment in April 2020 which prioritized needed building repairs to reduce building degradation and bring the building up to current building code. While the Buses of Yellowstone Preservation Trust has completed some of the projects listed in the Architectural Assessment, including repair of interior damaged walls, installation of new flooring in the showroom, exterior restoration of the masonry, roof, and chimney repairs, the report identified several other needed improvements to restore and rehabilitate the building to a 1967 period of significance.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The electrical system consists of mixture of conduit, no ground fault protection in required areas, outdated electrical panels, no overload protection for heaters, and outdated lighting.
- The original, single pane windows are energy inefficient, are cracked in some places, and have worn out trim and joints causing rotting of the windowsills.
- The interior north wall has delaminated plaster that needs to be restored.
- The historic structure needs exit signs for improved life safety and building code compliance.
- The exterior doors on the north side of the building has worn out paint exposing bare wood and the Blacksmith shop door has delaminated veneer panels.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Upgrading the electrical system to bring the property up to current Internal Existing Building Code;
- Replacing and retrofitting existing lighting;
- Replacing single pane wooden windows in storefronts with insulated glass to improve energy efficiency while maintaining historical integrity;
- Replacing damaged exterior doors;
- Masonry repair, sealing, and painting the north interior wall that has experienced plaster delamination; and
- Installation of code complaint exit signs.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant has considered the SOI standards; the SOI standards for rehabilitation will be used.

Project No. 10 - Havre Beneath the Streets, *Havre Beneath the Streets*

Removing and replacing the sidewalk, interior wall, lighting, security system, and handicap stairlift in the vaulted sidewalk to reopen a portion of Havre Beneath the Streets. Havre Beneath the Streets is a museum in downtown Havre that welcomes around 10,000 visitors per year; it is an important tourism and historic asset on the Hi-Line.

This application received 870 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 10 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$359,672	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Havre Beneath the Streets	Cash	\$65,000	Committed
Schine Electric	In-Kind	\$2,500	Committed
Bear Paw Development Corporation	In-Kind	\$20,000	Committed
Project Total		\$447,172	

Applicant type – Non-profit, Historic Site

Project History – Havre Beneath the Streets opened in 1994 to give historical tours of Havre’s early history when a fire destroyed the city and forced businesses to move underground until the city was rebuilt. This early history coincided with many Chinese immigrants moving to the area to support the construction of the railroad in the 1880s. Housed in a downtown building, the museum include 21 exhibits in an underground walkway.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ One of the applicant’s vaulted sidewalk areas is deteriorating, causing water to leak into a portion of the display area at the museum and the handicap stairlift. This has led to safety concerns for visitors and the structure itself. The applicant closed this portion of the museum in 2017 due to these safety concerns, which means that a more limited portion of the museum is open to the public and there is no ADA access.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- ❑ Replace the 2nd Avenue sidewalk and vault wall. This will involve removing a quarter of the sidewalk, replacing one of the interior walls, curb, and sidewalk.
- ❑ Remove and replace the lighting, security system, and handicap stairlift in that area.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they would follow the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Project No. 11 Hockaday Museum of Art, Hockaday Museum of Art
Replacing the heating and duct system in a 1904 former Carnegie library operating in downtown Kalispell as an art museum that offers youth and adult educational programming, classes, and tours.

This application received 860 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 11 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$31,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Hockaday Museum of Art	In-Kind	10,000	Committed
Airworks, Inc	In-Kind	\$2,500	Committed
Hartley Foundation	Grant	\$5,000	Pending
Northwestern Energy	Grant	\$1,500	Pending
Project Total		\$50,000	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Hockaday Museum of Art is located in a historic 1904 Carnegie Library building in downtown Kalispell and is listed on the National Registry of Historic Places. The property is owned by the City of Kalispell and leased to the non-profit for the last 53 years. Established in 1969 the Hockaday operates as an art museum with 15 rotating art exhibitions annually, a collection of over 2,500 art objects and artifacts with a focus on Montana artists and the art and artists of Glacier National Park, 3,500 historic negatives and slides of Glacier National Park and Northwest Montana, and a research library of over 3,000 cataloged art and history books. The museum offers youth and adult programming, art classes and tours Senior programs, as well as community art and culture events. Updating their aging heating and cooling system will ensure they can provide regulated climate in their classrooms, consistent collections storage temperatures, and regulate climate in the galleries for artwork and patron safety. Museums across the country often share exhibits and loan artworks and historic artifacts. A key element of this program opportunity ensures the Hockaday provides protection and a stable environment for these loaned works and increases our opportunities to borrow important works to share with the community. These improvements will also provide new opportunities to bring exhibitions and artwork to the community loaned from other institutions.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Aging heating and cooling system

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Removing, recycling, and replacing three old Heil model furnaces with three 100,000 BTUH 96% efficiency up flow gas furnaces, new filters and filter boxes,
- Installation of new duct system and PVC piping,
- Relocation of gas piping, and
- Replacing thermostats with newer energy saving models.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards.

Condition – If funded, the applicant must complete the environmental review.

Project No. 11 - Friends of the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula, *Historical Museum at Fort Missoula*
Updating the security system, installing climate control system, constructing access for collections movement and processing, and exterior restoration to transform Building T-203 at Fort Missoula into an appropriate space for museum collections storage. Fort Missoula is among the largest history museums in Western Montana, welcoming 50,000 visitors and 5,000 local students each year.

This application received 860 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 11 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$272,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Friends of HMFMM	Cash	\$20,000	Committed
Private Foundation	Grant	\$30,000	Pending
Fundraising Campaign	Cash	\$18,684	Pending
Project Total		\$340,684	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, History Museum, Historic Site

Project History – HMFMM provides free programs for elementary, high school, and college students, serving an additional 5,000 students each year. HMFMM was created in 1974; its collection covers Western Montana history, from the wood products industry to the internment of Japanese Americans during WWII.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ HMFMM cares for an artifact collection of over 50,000 items. Right now, these items are housed in a variety of locations at Fort Missoula. The current warehouse (known as Building T-203) is used to house oversized items. Although it has been in use for some time, Building T-203 does not provide any climate control related to heating, cooling, or humidity.
- ❑ The structure is 60+ years old and suffers from pest control.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- ❑ Updating the security system,
- ❑ Installing climate control systems,
- ❑ Constructing accessibility for collections movement and processing, and
- ❑ Restoring the exterior of the structure, better interpreting the history of the Civilian Conservation Corps at Fort Missoula.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Project No. 13 - City of Shelby, *Shelby Town Hall*

Installation of historically accurate windows on the old Shelby Town Hall. The community is working to restore the historic building which currently houses the Shelby Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Information Center.

This application received 850 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 13 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$5,600	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
City of Shelby	General Fund	\$1,400	Committed
Project Total		\$7,000	

Applicant type – Government, Historic Site

Project History – The Shelby Town Hall was constructed in the Craftsman style in 1923 and has primarily housed city offices, a local citizens meeting hall, and, at one point, a jail for the community of Shelby. Modifications have occurred over time have included non-historic changes such as loss of original windows and doors, however the building retains significant integrity and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The City of Shelby has been actively working to rehabilitate the building and is requesting MHPG funds to establish historically accurate windows in the front façade.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiency:

- The faux windows and door frame that were installed on the storm vestibule as a result of the 1999 ADA entrance improvements have deteriorated and do not accurately represent the historic features of the building.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project includes:

- Removal of the faux windows and installation of vertical and horizontal windows around the primary entrance of the building to replicate the historic appearance of the front façade.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant has confirmed with the State Historic Preservation Office that the SOI standard for rehabilitation will be followed.

Project No. 14 – Montana Heritage Commission, Coggswell-Taylor House

Stabilizing and repairing the foundation, floors, walls, and roof along with rehabilitating and installing basic utilities within the Coggswell-Taylor House in Virginia City. The Coggswell-Taylor House was one of the first properties owned by free African Americans in Montana and is a critical property in Virginia City, which attracts around 500,000 visitors annually.

This application received 840 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 14 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$176,562	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Montana Heritage Commission	Capital	\$85,000	Committed
Project Total		\$261,562	

Applicant type – Government, Historic Site

Project History – Built in the 1860s, the Coggswell-Taylor house consists of two joined structures in Virginia City, Minerva Coggswell’s House and Jackson Street Store, which were owned by free African Americans. Of the 250 buildings in Virginia City, the Coggswell-Taylor house is one of the most at-risk structures. In 2009, the Montana Heritage Commission (MHC) stabilized the Jackson Street Store, but the rest of the structure remains in an “extremely advanced state of disrepair.”

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The Coggswell-Taylor house has suffered from long-standing moisture and lack of maintenance for decades. The logs on the rear sidewall are splayed and bowed, which exposes the interior structure to the elements; the interior walls have been replaced with cardboard and other random materials; the floors have various coverings; and mechanical and electrical systems are non-existent.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- ❑ Stabilizing and repairing the foundation, floors, walls, and roof;
- ❑ Rehabilitating the Jackson Street Store;
- ❑ Installing basic utilities to service both structures; and
- ❑ Installing furnishings and interpretative elements to both structures.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant mentioned following the SOI standards for restoration.

Condition – If funded, the applicant must complete the environmental review.

Project No. 15 - Community Health Care Center, Inc. dba Alluvion Health, Rocky Mountain Building
Restoration of the façade, including replacing windows, on the Rocky Mountain Building in Great Falls. This is phase two of three in a \$24 million project that will rehabilitate the structure into a community health center, providing health services and fostering economic development in a blighted area of downtown.

This application received 830 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 15 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Health Resources Services Administration	Grant	\$590,893	Committed
Project Total		\$1,162,487	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1914 in downtown Great Falls, the Rocky Mountain Building is a 54,000 square foot structure that housed the Rocky Mountain Fire Insurance Company and the Pantages Theater. It was constructed in the Beaux Arts style as a cornerstone of the city’s central business historic district. In 2019, Alluvion Health purchased the Rocky Mountain Building to rehabilitate it into a primary care clinic along with some retail spaces. This rehabilitation is being undertaken in three phases: 1) cleanup and abatement of hazardous materials, 2) rehabilitation of the envelope and reconstruction of the floors, and 3) interior construction of the medical clinic. Once complete, this will allow them to move all their services into one location.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ In 2009, a major fire damaged the building; since then, it has remained unoccupied due to fire, smoke, and water damage throughout the structure. The floor joists and floor framing have experienced damage, along with structural issues (such as a fully collapsed roof and cracks in the brick wall) in the original theater. Furthermore, there is damage to the brick parapet and other areas of the roof.
- ❑ Asbestos, lead-based paint, and other hazardous materials were found throughout the structure, but are being remediated with Brownfields funding.

Proposed Solution – The applicant is rehabilitating the entire Rocky Mountain Building in three phases to establish a primary care clinic. MHPG funds will be used for Phase 2 which includes:

- ❑ Constructing the new structural interior and roof
- ❑ Replacing windows and doors
- ❑ Installing 2 new elevators and 2 new stair enclosures
- ❑ Repairing a collapsed parapet wall and tuckpointing the brick facade

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Condition – If funded, the applicant must provide documentation of the public participation (meeting, minutes, etc.) for the environmental review.

Project No. 15- Cascade County Historical Society dba The History Museum, *The History Museum*
Installation of HVAC and exterior wall insulation, electrical upgrades, flooring reinforcement, and a "visible vault"
with additional storage for the collections at the History Museum in Great Falls. The History Museum is a
destination for historical research and tourism in central Montana.

This application received 830 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 15 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$340,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Cascade County Historical Society	Cash	\$76,000	Committed
LPW Architecture	In-kind donation	\$9,000	Committed
Project Total		\$425,000	

Applicant type – Government, Historical society/History museum

Project History – The Cascade County Historical Society, dba The History Museum is a Great Falls historical society established in 1976 that focuses on preserving the heritage of Central Montana. The museum was initially located in the old Central High School but purchased the historic International Harvester building in 1999 as their collections outgrew the capacity of their initial location. Since the purchase of the International Harvester building, the museum has worked to restore the historic features of the building, where possible, and adapted the space to accommodate the growing collections of the history museum.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiencies:

- The museum archives are located in areas that lack heating and cooling and exterior walls lack insulation,
- The electrical system is outdated and indoor lighting is sparse and inefficient,
- The 2nd story flooring can’t structurally support high density rolling storage equipment, and
- The museum lacks suitable storage equipment.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project includes:

- Installing an HVAC system in the archives and collections floor and furring out and insulating exterior walls,
- Installing new electrical wiring and LED light fixtures,
- Reinforcing the flooring on the second level where high density rolling storage equipment will be placed, and
- Establishing a Visible Vault as an enclosed room within the archives and collections area with the intention of exposing historic indoor windows.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that the SOI standard for rehabilitation will be followed.

Project No. 15 - Copper Village Museum and Arts Center, Copper Village Museum and Arts Center

Expansion of the fire suppression and alarm system into the first, second and attic floors of the old Anaconda City Hall owned and operated by Copper Village Museum and Arts Center. The goal of the Copper Village Museum and Arts Center is to promote appreciation for the arts and culture and to assist in community cultural and historic preservation.

This application received 830 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 15 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$235,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Copper Village Museum Building Fund	Cash	\$23,500	Secured
URA	Grant	\$15,000	Pending
Anaconda Community Foundation	Grant	\$5,000	Pending
Anaconda Deer Lodge County Discretionary Fund	Grant	\$3,500	Pending
Project Total		\$282,000	

Applicant type – Non-profit, Historic site/History museum

Project History – The old Anaconda City Hall was constructed in 1896 with an eclectic architectural style that was designed and used as the joint location of city office and fire hall for many decades. The structure was slated for demolition in the 1980s but was preserved through the efforts of the Copper Village and Tri-County Historical Society. The building’s basement and main floor were rehabilitated in 1985, including installation of a fire suppression and alarm system that extends through the basement. The Copper Village Museum and Arts Center has since worked to maintain the historic structure while operating the museum and arts center in the basement and first floor of the structure.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- ❑ The only fire suppression and alarm system in the building does not extend to the 1st, 2nd, or attic leaving the structure susceptible to fire.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- ❑ Expanding the existing fire suppression system in the basement with a wet fire suppression system in the 1st and 2nd floors and a dry fire suppression system in the attic. The fire alarm system will also be installed to cover the full extent of the building.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards.

Project No. 18 Friends of the Historic Libby Hotel, *Historic Hotel Libby*
Reroof of the Historic Hotel Libby to allow all additional renovation projects to move forward with the ultimate goal of opening as a fully functional hotel for the community of Libby.

This application received 820 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 18 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$173,659	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Friends of the Historic Libby Hotel	Cash	\$8,756	Committed
Friends of the Historic Libby Hotel	Cash	\$34,658	Pending
Washington Foundation	Grant	\$5,000	Awarded
Project Total		\$224,074	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Historic Hotel Libby was built in 1898 and opened in 1910. The building is individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places. A non-profit was formed in 2014 to restore and preserve the hotel. The hotel is currently not operating but the long term plan is to open the hotel once all major renovation have been completed. The roof sheathing has become soft, missing roofing tiles, leaks in most areas, and is causing damage to the rest of the hotel. Once the roof and main support beams are secure additional renovation can move forward. The applicant’s long term plan is to open the building as a fully functional 22 room hotel and event space requiring the creation of 22 permanent job positions.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- Failing roof that leaks and is causing damage to the rest of the structure along with 100 feet of deteriorating main support beams due to a former beetle infestation.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Dismantling the chimney,
- Removal of 3 layers of old roofing and sheathing, and
- Replacement of 100 feet of the main support beams, 2-3 damaged trusses, roof and shingles.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as all project partners are committed to following the standards.

Project No. 18 Red Lodge Area Community Foundation, Old Roosevelt School

Window repair and replacement at the Old Roosevelt School in Red Lodge. The Foundation has completed many repairs for the building; however this project will allow for the final phase to complete the interior renovations and thereby open the third floor of the building for business incubation rental space and community use of the lecture hall. The window replacement/restoration portion of the project is necessary to be completed before further restoration work in the Gregory T. Harper Hall can continue.

This application received 820 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 18 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$367,578	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Treacy Foundation	Grant	\$36,639	Pending
Montana History Foundation	Grant	\$10,000	Pending
Hansberger Foundation	Grant	\$15,000	Committed
Red lodge Area Community Foundation	Cash	\$30,255	Committed
Project Total		\$459,472	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Old Roosevelt School was constructed in 1921 with a non-historic addition added in 1990. The Red Lodge Area Community Foundation purchased the property in 2017 from the Red Lodge School District. The foundation has been rehabilitating the old Roosevelt School building and its grounds into an art, cultural, community, conference, and educational center. The foundation has completed an Adaptive Re-Use Strategy and Action Plan in 2014, with much public participation. They completed a Preliminary Architectural Report in 2017. The applicant has determined that utilizing a phased approach to rehabilitate Roosevelt Center provides the opportunity to use the building while continuing the construction projects due to financial constraints. The preservation of the exterior and replacement of the windows is the next phase, once this phase is complete it will allow the completion of the interior repairs as funding becomes available in future years. Once the historic building has been fully remodeled it will be utilized for community event space (the Gregory T. Harper Hall and Roosevelt Performance Auditorium) and for rented space for arts and culture-based businesses, providing job creation, increased sales of art, and the development of the conference space which will strengthen businesses and employment during the slower seasons of spring and fall.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- Deteriorating windows, exterior brick damage, mortar damage to chimney, parapet cap is crumbling, and a leaking roof.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Brick repointing and repair,
- Restoration and preservation of the parapets and corbels,
- Repairs to the chimney, and
- Replacement of windows.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as they detailed all of the projects and how each will fall within the secretary’s standards.

Project No. 20 - 75 Park Street LLC, Kelly Block Building

Replacing the roof framing, reroofing the roof, rehabilitating the original penthouse, and installing two fire stairs for code compliance in the Kelly Block in Uptown Butte. The Kelly Block is a \$8.5 million project that will reactivate a mixed-use building with 15,900 sq ft of commercial space on the first floor and 14 condominiums on the second, third, and fourth floor.

This application received 810 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 20 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
75 Park Street LLC	Cash	\$468,300	Committed
Project Total		\$968,300	

Applicant type – For-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Kelly Block in Uptown Butte was a mixed-use building built in 1892; originally, it had commercial space on the first floor and residential space on the second and third floors. It was in an advanced state of neglect when purchased by its current owners in 2019, who plan to rehabilitate the entire structure and façade. The project is projected to cost \$8.5 million in its entirety; it will be completed in multiple phases over several years. Once complete, the first floor and mezzanine will house retail stores and offices, and the second and third floors will house residential units. To make the structure cashflow, a fourth floor will be added for more residential units.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The structure has numerous deficiencies, such as a leaking roof, deteriorated structure, no interior walls or doors, buckled flooring, no utilities, and boarded-up window openings. The proposed project will focus on the leaking roof, which also does not have a code-compliant exit. The leaking has caused damage to sheathing, joists, and beams on the roof; the new owner had a temporary roofing membrane and drainage installed to facilitate structural repairs in the interior, but a long-term solution is needed.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- ❑ Replacing the roof framing (sheathing, joists, beams),
- ❑ Reroofing the roof,
- ❑ Rehabilitating the original 1892 penthouse, and
- ❑ Installation of two fire stairs for code compliance.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Project No. 20 - Original Montana Club Cooperative Association, Montana Club

HVAC system upgrades and ADA compliant restrooms. The project would improve temperature control in the Montana Club to allow for comfortable year-round use of the Rathskeller, 2nd and 6th floors of the historic 6 story structure in downtown Helena.

This application received 810 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 20 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$90,040	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Original Montana Club Cooperative Association	In Kind	\$1,000	Committed
Original Montana Club Cooperative Association	Cash	\$8,726	Pending
Punk Ward Fund	Cash	\$11,000	Committed
Lewis & Clark County Heritage Tourism Council	Grant	\$2,000	Pending
Project Total		\$112,766	

Applicant type – For-profit, Historic Site

Project History – Opened in 1905, the current Montana Club in downtown Helena was designed by nationally renowned architect Cass Gilbert and is one of only two purpose-built clubhouses in the state. The Montana Club operated as a non-profit, member-exclusive organization until 2018 when it was dissolved and re-established under the Original Montana Club Cooperative Association that has operated the building as an open-to-the-public, for-profit cooperative.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- The basement, 2nd and 6th floor spaces have outdated and inoperable HVAC systems that results in a lack of temperature control in the hottest months of the year.
- The building does not have any ADA compliant restrooms.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project includes:

- Removing the inoperable HVAC system components and replacing it with a mini split system in the Rathskeller and air handler and air purification systems with outdoor compressors on the 2nd and 6th floor.
- Upgrading three bathrooms with ADA complaint features such as grab bars, outward swinging doors, compliant faucet handles and widened doors.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and will work with SHPO to ensure the appropriate treatment is followed.

Project No. 20 Sonja Maxwell, Charles Krug House

Replace the windows in the 1907 Charles Krug House, which currently operates as a 25 room Airbnb, business and office space location in Glendive.

This application received 810 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 20 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$145,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Owner Sonja Maxwell	Cash	\$30,000	Committed
Project Total		\$175,000	

Applicant type – For-profit, Historic site

Project History – The Charles Krug house in Glendive was built in 1907, listed on the National Register of Historic places since 1976. The structure has 25 bedrooms and is 8000 sq feet. The building was a private home until 1996, then a bed and breakfast until 2009. Currently, the house serves as a short-term Airbnb rental, a boutique, and commercial office space. The applicant has completed several renovations and updates over the years but notes that the windows have never been addressed. There is currently a need to replace the windows and repair/replace the framing for all four doors leading into the home. Over 100 years of aging, weather, and settling of the house has caused draft issues with the windows and doors.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Windows are aged, difficult to open, have broken panes, and lack an airtight seal.
- All four exterior doors need reframing as there is a visible gap to the outside from the inside.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Replace the windows (56 in total) including a subsill to allow for rainwater to fall further away from the windows and the house.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as they note any and all standards put forth through the Secretary of the interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties will be adhered to throughout the course of the proposed Project and the historic appearance of the Charley will remain intact.

Project No. 23 - Bloom Coffeehouse and Eatery, Glendive Greenhouse at Bloom Coffeehouse and Eatery
Clearing out foliage and debris, installing concrete, flooring, HVAC, and lighting, and replacing a broken panel and doors for the "conservatory" at the Glendive Greenhouse. The Glendive Greenhouse houses Bloom Coffeehouse and Eatery, which is a successful small business and tourism asset in Eastern Montana. This project would activate an unused portion of the property for a venue space and increased operations, creating 13 part- or full-time jobs.

This application received 780 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 23 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$250,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Bloom & Vine	Owner Capital	\$50,000	Committed
Project Total		\$300,000	

Applicant type – For-profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Glendive Greenhouse was built by W.F. Ullman in 1917 as the first steel-frame greenhouse in the State of Montana. In 2013, a local business – Bloom Coffeehouse and Eatery (Bloom) – was established in the space; it is a coffeehouse, greenhouse, and market that the owners have expanded over the years. There is an unused portion of the Glendive Greenhouse, known as the conservatory, that is part of the historic structure. With these renovations, the conservatory would have two distinct areas: a seating area for 20-30 people and a venue space for 80-90 people. The proposed project would activate this space and make it usable year-round, which would necessitate hiring 13 part- or full-time staff.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The conservatory is overgrown with foliage and trees, and there are crumbling cement structures and debris. In addition, there is one broken panel and two broken doors in the structure.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project includes:

- Cleaning out the foliage and debris from the conservatory,
- Installing a concrete subfloor and flooring,
- Installing an HVAC system,
- Installing lighting, and
- Replacing broken panels and doors on the structure.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that the SOI standard for rehabilitation will be followed.

Project No. 23- SGS Properties, LLC, Edwards & McLellan Block

Restoration of the historic cornice, installation of energy efficient and code compliant storefront windows, foundation stabilization. The Inn at Simonton Square is a historic commercial building in downtown Malta that attracts out of town tourists to stay and shop locally.

This application received 780 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 23 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$211,590	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
SGS Properties- Window replacement (2021)	In-Kind	\$88,000	Committed
SGS Properties- Construction (2022)	In- Kind	\$12,800	Committed
SGS Properties	Cash	\$37,000	Committed
Project Total		\$359,390	

Applicant type – For-profit, Historic site

Project History – The Edwards & McLellan Block in Malta was built in 1910 and operated one of the earliest and most successful men’s clothing and hardware businesses on the first floor with office space on the second floor. The structure reflects western commercial architectural style and maintains much of the original architectural features. SGS properties purchased the building in 2020 and have since converted the second floor office space to vacation rentals while continuing to operate the furniture and gift store downstairs all while preserving, to the greatest extent possible, the historic character of the building.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- The historic wooden cornice has detached from the brick which poses a safety risk should the structure fall and allows for water intrusion and damage to the brick and mortar.
- The storefront windows, including two that have been boarded over, are original to the building and are not code compliant or energy efficient.
- The basement windows have been removed leading to water leaks and potential settling due to insufficient support of the window openings.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Stabilization of the cornice on the building façade,
- Installation of energy efficient and code complaint windows of similar shape and size to the original storefront windows, and
- Infill of the previously removed basement windows to ensure proper foundation support and water tightness.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – The applicant appears to have considered the SOI standard.

Condition- If funded, a noticed public hearing and resolution of environmental determination will need to be completed and details of the 2022 SGS Properties in-kind match will need to be clarified.

Project No. 25 – Montana Heritage Commission, Hickman House

Structural stabilization and preservation of the long vacant and deteriorated residential structure. The Hickman House is a contributing resource in the Virginia City National Historic Landmark and is managed by the Montana Heritage Commission as a destination attracting over 500,000 visitors to the historic Nevada and Virginia Cities.

This application received 760 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 25 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$166,073	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Montana Heritage Commission	Capital	\$68,000	Committed
Project Total		\$234,073	

Applicant type – Government, Historic site

Project History – Built in the 1875, the Hickman House is a relic of the Virginia City mining camp that stands in the heart of the community, just one block north of main street business corridor. The structure was purchased by the State of Montana in 1997 and managed by the Montana Heritage Commission as part of the Virginia City National Historic Landmark. The building has been vacant since the 1970s and has experienced severe degradation since then. Despite temporary emergency stabilization measures, the building requires structural repairs and is unusable in its current state.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiencies:

- The exterior needs wood repairs, window and door restoration, wall repair, and paint.
- The interior has areas of missing flooring, flaking plaster, nonfunctional kitchen and bathroom, and no mechanical or electrical system.
- The porch is pulling away from the building and is supported with jacks.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Design and structural engineering to stabilize the foundation and address site drainage issues;
- Rebuilding the porch, roof, and rotten exterior walls,
- Installation of new electrical, mechanical and ventilation system;
- Restoration of windows, doors, trim, plaster, and paint;
- Refinishing wood floors; and
- Construction of kitchen and ADA compliant bathrooms.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant mentioned following the SOI standards for restoration.

Condition- If awarded, the applicant must conduct a public hearing for the environmental review and address comments, if received.

Project No. 25 Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art, Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art
Bat exclusion, clean-up, and exterior window repainting of the Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art housed in the former Central High building in Great Falls built in 1896. The museum currently houses galleries, permanent collections, educational facilities, and a gift shop.

This application received 760 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 25 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$300,979	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art	Cash	\$65,479	Committed
Sherwin Williams	In-Kind Donation	\$671	Committed
Big Sky National Heritage Grant	Grant	\$1000	Pending
Project Total		\$368,129	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Art Museum is operating out of the historic Central School building in Great Falls. The 44,000 sq. foot building was built in 1896 and operated as a school until 1975. The building was renovated by 1977 for the current use as an art museum, cultural center, and education center. The museum hosts approximately 30,000 visitors a year and holds many education programs. There has been bats and pigeons in the attic of the building for the past 50 years. The 154 windows were replaced in 1994 but need repainting and repair. The applicant proposes to increase the health and safety along with stability of the building in the long term with bat mitigation and window replacement.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- Bats and pigeons have been located in the attic for approximately 50 years and are a health concern for staff and maintenance workers who access the attic in the course of their work.
- The attic is a place of storage for historical documents, furnishings, exhibition pedestals, event décor and architectural elements such as the original doors, among other things, and these items are at high risk of being damaged by guano and urine. Bat and pigeon waste is also a threat to the structural integrity of the building itself.
- Wood Window paint is chipping, cracking, and peeling away.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Mitigating the bats and pigeons in the attic by relocating the bats, sealing the attic, and cleaning up of damage due to the animals, and
- Repainting and caulking all 194 exterior windows.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as they noted they would work within them in the application.

Project No. 25 - Billings Depot, Inc., Billings Depot

Refinishing of exterior doors, repairs to sidewalks, roof, and floors, restoration of the Historic Post Building at the Billings Depot. The Billings Depot is an event space in downtown that hosts 100+ events each year, anchoring downtown Billings and bringing 10,000 individuals into the area.

This application received 760 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 25 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$414,400	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
DBA Space to Place	Grant	\$5,000	Pending
Billings Depot, Inc.	Cash	\$103,600	Pending
Project Total		\$523,000	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Billings Depot was built in 1909 for use by three railroads: Northern Pacific, Great Northern, and Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy. There are four buildings in the original structure – the main depot building, railroad lunch room (Beanery), postal building (Post), and an office building. In 1995, a group of residents came together to rehabilitate the complex; this was completed in 2001 and the Billings Depot is now used for events, retail space, office space, and a taproom.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The doors and floors in the main depot building are degraded,
- The concrete walkways around the complex are damaged,
- Paint and snow spikes on the roof are needed, and
- Historic features (windows, trim, hardware, brick, flooring) in the postal building are degraded.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include,

- Repairing concrete walkways,
- Refinishing exterior doors in the main depot building,
- Painting and installing snow spikes on the roof,
- Restoring the postal building, and
- Restoring flooring in the main depot building.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Condition – If awarded, the applicant must submit the resolution for the environmental determination and the supporting documentation for the public hearing for the environmental review.

Project No. 28 Art House Cinema, Babcock Theater

Rehabilitation of the historic marquee, replacement of the sidewalk/basement vault and exterior doors, and installation of historically accurate non-slip tiles in the outer entry floor of the Babcock Theater in Billings. The Babcock Theater is a film, event, and community space in downtown, which was restored in 2012 and is managed by Art House Cinema and owned by the city.

This application received 740 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 28 out of 40 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$236,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Art House Cinema	Cash	\$46,000	In Progress
Contractors, Architects, Engineers	In-Kind	\$19,000	In Progress
Project Total		\$301,000	

Applicant type –Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Babcock Theater was constructed in 1907 in Downtown Billings and had different iterations until closing in 1981. The theater underwent a renovation between 2008 and 2012 becoming listed on the National register in 2013. The City of Billings purchased the theater and contracted with the non-profit Art House Cinema to take over operations in 2018. Currently, the Babcock operates movies seven-day-a-week with 720 seats. In addition to showing films, the Babcock is available to rent as a venue for events including nonprofit events, business meetings, live concerts, dance performances, and weddings. Project components are broken out throughout the application including costs and a partial award could be made.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- Marquee sign has an outdated bulb style, driving operational costs high. Additionally, the sign uses an outdated lettering system which is a hazard to employees who must climb ladders and use gloves to change out the Marquee. The sign has rust, draining issues, and missing paint.
- Exterior doors need repair due to lack of weather stripping, poor closing mechanisms and showing wear and vandalism.
- Safety risks and concerns around the sidewalk just outside the main entrance due to significant settling and weather damage. There are large steel beams supporting the concrete sidewalk that have slowly been eroded. The concrete supporting the wall has shifted out into the street, causing a shift from where they should be for adequate support. This has resulted in a large crack at the edge of the theater entry area, causing a tripping hazard.
- Outer entry floor insufficient drainage and pooling water.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- The marquee will replace all incandescent and fluorescent bulbs with LEDs. Repair the current drainage system and update the letterboard system to a more efficient one that will be easier and safer for employees to work with including new letters.
- Remove the current sidewalk and steel beams and repair the concrete wall. Install new beams and concrete sidewalks. Restore the “Luxfer” glass that was part of the original design.
- Replace all exterior doors.
- Install period accurate non-slip tiles in the front outer entryway.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards based on their application narrative regarding maintaining the historic integrity of the structure and consultation.

Project No. 29 - Glacier National Park Conservancy, Wheeler Property

Repairing the roof, upgrading plumbing and electrical, installing bathrooms, parking, and accessible paths, regrading the sides of the structure, repairing the foundation, sill logs, doors, windows, balcony, and exterior of the Wheeler Property in Glacier National Park. The Wheeler Property will be used for the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Center, which will educate stakeholders on transboundary cooperation and conservation.

This application received 730 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 29 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$493,200	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
GNPC	Donors/Foundations/Grants	\$117,105	Committed
Project Total		\$610,305	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – Situated on the north Shore of Lake McDonald in Glacier National Park, the Wheeler property once consisted of four cabins and several outbuildings owned by Burton and Lulu Wheeler since 1916. Burton was a US Senator for Montana from 1923 to 1947. The original Wheeler cabin burned down in 1941 but was rebuilt shortly after. The property was owned by the Wheeler family until the Glacier National Park Conservancy (GNPC) inherited it through a life estate in 2014. In 2018, the Howe Ridge fire destroyed all outbuildings and damaged the main cabin. As a result, GNPC would like to rehabilitate the property and main cabin into the Waterton-Glacier International Peace Park Center at Wheeler Cabin (WGPPC). WGPPC will be used to inspire and educate students, professionals, and community leaders on transboundary cooperation and conservation.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Due to the Howe Ridge fire, the Wheeler Cabin requires rehabilitation of exterior sections of the roof, walls, front porch, chimney, second-floor balcony, patio flagstones, and stairs to be safely occupiable.
- Interior repairs are necessary to address internal fire damage, electrical and plumbing upgrades, and accessibility.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Roof repair,
- Electrical and plumbing upgrades,
- Bathroom, parking, and path accessibility upgrades,
- Regrading the sides of the building for positive drainage,
- Foundation repairs,
- Sill log replacement,
- Rehabilitation of doors and windows, and
- Restoring the second-floor balcony and exterior repairs.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards and are required to do so as the property is on federal land (Glacier National Park).

Project No. 30 Montana Heritage Commission, Gilbert House

Renovate the Gilbert House to operate as a vacation rental property in Virginia City. The property has not been occupied in 70 years and the renovation will consist of all exterior and interior updates. The property will be managed by the Montana Heritage Commission.

This application received 710 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 30 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$297,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Montana Heritage Commission	Cash	\$75,000	Committed in FY2022-2023 Budget
Project Total		\$372,000	

Applicant type – Government, Historic Site

Project History – The Gilbert House was constructed in 1863. The building was a residential house and occupied continuously until the 1940’s. In 1997 it was sold to the Montana Heritage Commission. The applicant notes that for over 70 years the cellar portion of the building has been filled with groundwater due to a nearby creek and has persistent drainage issues, due to these issues the building has remained uninhabitable.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- There are site drainage issues and moisture-induced deterioration of wooden elements of the building.
- Due to the building being vacant for 70 years there is many deteriorating features of the structure (interior and exterior).

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will the proposed project will include:

- draining the site,
- repairing the foundation,
- structural stabilization of framing,
- installing new services (water, sewer, and electrical),
- adding utilities inside (electrical, plumbing, and heating utilities),
- installing appliances and fixtures,
- installing insulation in attic and wall cavities,
- restoring exterior surfaces (siding, trim, roof, porches),
- restoring windows and doors, and
- restoring interior surfaces (walls, ceilings, floors, trim).

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as the narrative discussed that all improvements will meet the requirements.

Condition – If funded, the applicant must complete the environmental review for this application cycle.

Project No. 30- Stillwater County, Stillwater County Courthouse

Installation of an exterior addition to the Stillwater County Courthouse that will include ADA compliant access and restrooms to all four floors. The Stillwater County Courthouse is located in the heart of Columbus, MT and is used for various county offices and functions.

This application received 710 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked ## out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Stillwater County	Cash	\$125,200	Committed
Stillwater County	Loan	\$1,500,000	Committed
Project Total		\$2,125,200	

Applicant type – Government, Historic site

Project History –The Stillwater County Courthouse was constructed in 1921 featuring Neoclassical Revival style with a prominent front façade facing the main commercial district of Columbus. The building houses various county offices and functions but lacks ADA compliance given the age of the structure. Stillwater County has undergone a Facility Capital Improvement Plan that describes the needed upgrades to the historic courthouse.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The existing historic structure lacks ADA compliant access and restrooms.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project includes:

- Construction of an exterior addition to the north side of the courthouse that will include a lobby with ADA compliant access, elevator, and restrooms on all four floors.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Condition- If awarded, the applicant must submit the signed resolution of environmental determination.

Project No. 30 Yogo Mansion, LLC, Waite House

Complete renovation at the 1909 Waite House in Lewistown. The building is currently uninhabitable, the renovation will allow public access to the home by operating as a place to stay and hold events. The renovation consists of plumbing and electrical updates, boiler replacement, exterior shingles replacement, chimney repair, installation of a gutter system and fire suppression, abatement of hazardous materials. Additionally, remodel all five kitchens and bathrooms, refinish floors, replace windows, and all exterior surfaces and porches.

This application received 710 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 30 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$390,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Yogo Mansion, LLC	Cash	\$100,000	Committed
Bank	Loan	\$540,000	Pending
Project Total		\$1,030,000	

Applicant type – For-profit, Historic site

Project History – The Waite House was built in 1909 and is one of seven buildings to make up the silk stocking historic district in Lewistown. The building operated as apartments in the 1950’s before being abandoned. Currently the structure is uninhabitable and remains unoccupied. Future plans for the building include restoring the structure by rewiring, replumbing, restoring the façade, replacing the boiler system, remove 1950’s additions, repair the chimney, replace the roof shingles, install a gutter system, install a fire suppression system, abate hazardous materials, repair sandstone, remodel all kitchens and bathrooms, refinish floors, replace windows, repair paster, and install air conditioning. This will allow the building to open and operate it as a hotel for guests to stay and event venue. Montana Historic Preservation grant funds are proposed to only address the below.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiency:

- Building has been unoccupied and is uninhabitable, requires a complete renovation.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Removal of the 1950's additions,
- Restoration of the original exterior envelope and facade details,
- Replacement of the plumbing and electrical systems, and
- Installation of a high efficiency boiler and hot water service for heating and domestic use.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as they note they will follow the standards in all of their proposed projects.

Project No. 33 Billings Preservation Society, Moss Mansion
Heating System Replacement for the Moss Mansion to prevent irreparable damage to the building envelope of the visible tourist attraction for Billings.

This application received 690 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 33 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Moss Mansion	Money Market Account	\$100,000	Committed
Moss Mansion	Fundraising	\$100,000	Pending
Project Total		\$700,000	

Applicant type – Non-profit, History Museum, Historic Site

Project History – The Moss Mansion’s heating system is reliant upon 120 year old pipes and is in critical condition. The applicant notes that if any of the pipes break it could cause irreparable damage to the building envelope and its artifacts. Currently, they can only effectively heat the basement and first floor. Heating and Plumbing experts have advised against running the boiler in range of normal pressure levels for fear it cause ruptured pipes. The deficiency appears to have been present for many years however was discovered more recently.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Outdated heating system, boiler, and pipes.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Removal existing boiler, pumps, venting, and pipes and installation of two new modular boilers;
- Cleaning all original radiators;
- Installing a radiator air vent;
- Installing a wireless thermostat; and
- Restoring wall plaster and each room’s wall coverings which must be damaged to reach and replace pipes.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards.

Project No. 34 – Homeword, Inc., Ouellette Place

Repointing and repairing exterior brick, repairing and replacing windows, refinishing original wood doors, and installing security cameras in the Ouellette Place in Lewistown. The Ouellette Place is an 8-unit affordable housing property previously renovated and currently managed by Homeword.

This application received 680 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 34 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$287,300	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Ouellette Place Refinance Funds	Reserves	\$71,900	Committed
Project Total		\$359,200	

Applicant type – Non-profit, Historic Site

Project History – Ouellette Place, which is the former Nurses’ Home for St. Joseph’s Hospital constructed between 1906 to 1953, is located a few blocks from downtown Lewistown. Homeword acquired the property in 2009 and renovated the structure in 2010, creating 24 rentals for low- to moderate-income Montanans; 8 were in the historic Nurses’ Home and 16 were new construction on adjacent land. It has been 10 years since the adaptive re-use of the property and repairs are needed.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- The exterior brick is need of maintenance to protect against moisture.
- The vinyl windows are failing.
- The historically accurate new windows need re-caulking to increase energy efficiency and protect against moisture.
- The two original exterior doors need maintenance.
- There have been issues with unauthorized access to the property.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Repointing, repairing, and cleaning the exterior brick;
- Caulking the new windows to emulate the historic windows;
- Replacing vinyl windows;
- Refinishing and repairing original wood doors; and
- Installing security cameras.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant mentioned following the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Project No. 34 Homeword, Inc., Acme Historic Hotel

Roof and chimney caps replacement, the exterior brick surfaces repointing, chillers replacement, entry way flooring replacement, and the addition of security cameras for safety. The Acme building currently is a 19-Unit affordable housing property in downtown Billings, previously renovated and currently managed by Homeword.

This application received 680 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 34 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$321,100	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Replacement Reserves	Reserves	\$30,000	Committed
Homeword Loan	Loan	\$50,500	Committed
Project Total		\$401,600	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Acme Building is a 1911 three-story commercial building built in downtown Billings. Originally a theater with retail on the first level and two floors of hotel rooms above. Homeword purchased the building in 2003 and completed a total adaptive reuse of the structure to create 19 rental homes targeted to low- and moderate-income households in Billings’ downtown corridor. The basement was converted to storage rooms for each home and on-site laundry was added.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- the roof and chimney caps need to be replaced,
- the exterior brick surfaces need minor repointing, repair, and cleaning,
- the chillers need to be replaced,
- entry way flooring needs to be replaced,
- Lack of security cameras to ensure safe operations.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Replace roof and chimney caps,
- Repoint, repair and clean exterior brick surfaces,
- Replace chillers,
- Replace entryway flooring, and
- Install security cameras.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as they discuss that the standards will be met in their narrative.

Condition – If awarded, the applicant will need to provide a signed application.

Project No. 36 - City of Great Falls, Great Falls Civic Center

Replacement of ceiling tiles and restoration of the ceiling; upgraded theater seating to meet current best practice and improve ADA accessibility. The Mansfield Theater is the premier events center in Downtown Great Falls and hosts regional and national performers and entertainers.

This application received 670 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 36 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
American Rescue Plan Act	Grant	\$586,567	Pending
Project Total		\$1,086,567	

Applicant type – Historic Site; Government entity

Project History – The Great Falls Civic Center, located on Central Avenue in downtown Great Falls, was constructed in 1939 in the Monumental Moderne style to house city administrative offices and the multi-story Mansfield Theater. At the time, the theater was one of the largest cultural and entertainment venues in the region and, to this day, continues to host events that draw patrons from across the region.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- The Great Falls Civic center has experienced water damage in the Mansfield Theater that has resulted in stained and sagging ceiling tiles.
- The seats in the theater are original to the building and are 18” wide which is much smaller than the current theater seating standard of 23” per current best practices and ADA accessibility is limited in scope.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Replacing water damaged ceiling tiles with historically compatible materials,
- Preserving and restoring salvageable ceiling molding, scrollwork and trim,
- Replacement of theater seats with historically compatible but larger and appropriately spaced seats, and
- Restoration of the art deco standards at the ends of each seating aisle.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they will adhere to the SOI standards for rehabilitation.

Condition – If funded, the applicant must submit the resolution for the environmental determination.

Project No. 37- Miles City Convent Keepers, Miles City Convent Keepers Community Center
Replacement of the structurally failing elements of the elevated porch on the north entrance of the Miles City Convent Keepers Community Center. The community center contains a thrift store, rentable office and meeting rooms and provides tours of the historical structure.

This application received 660 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 37 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$119,688	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Nibs & Edna Allen Foundation	Grant	\$7,200	Committed
Miles City Convent Keepers	Cash	\$23,425	Committed
Project Total		\$150,313	

Applicant type – Historic Site; Non-profit

Project History – Built in 1902, the Miles Convent Keepers Community Center was originally established as an Ursuline convent featuring Colonial Revival, Romanesque and Queen Ann architectural elements. The convent was designed for the Ursuline nuns who had a significant contribution to the early years of education in Eastern Montana. The building was saved from demolition in 1991 and transferred to the Miles City Convent Keepers by the Catholic Diocese with the purpose of operating as a community center.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The north porch is original to the building and is showing signs of structural instability. A 2020 building and structural assessment notes that the porch structure is in poor condition with rot at the bases and at intersections with the porch and roof. Two of the concrete piers are rolling over and settling and the outboard beams under the porch and roof extension have water damage and dry rot. There is also evidence of general settling affecting the roof and porch.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will involve:

- ❑ Demolition of the existing columns on the north porch,
- ❑ Installation of new footings with new steel columns encased in wood, and
- ❑ Reconstruction of the porch with wood and steel joists covered with tongue and groove wood decking.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards.

Project No. 38 – Homeword, Inc., Lenox Flats

Chiller replacement, roof replacement, masonry repointing, repainting wooden trim and architectural elements, window repair, interior common area flooring and fire panel replacement, and security camera installation. The Lenox Flats building is a mixed use structure providing 10 affordable housing units on the 2nd and 3rd floor and market rate commercial space on the 1st floor currently managed by Homeword.

This application received 650 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 38 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$288,330	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Replacement reserves	Cash	\$30,000	Secured
Homeword Loan	Loan	\$52,300	Secured (30 year loan at 3.75%)
Project Total		\$370,630	

Applicant Type: Non-profit, Historic Site

Project History – Built between 1902 and 1909, the Lenox Flats building is located at the west end of Missoula’s historic commercial business district on West Broadway Avenue. The structure has been used for residential and commercial purposes since it’s construction during Missoula’s rapidly expanding economy in the early 1900s. Most significantly, the building was registered as the Lenox Hotel between 1922-1981. Homeword, Inc. acquired the property in 1999 and completed a total adaptive reuse of the building to develop 10 affordable housing units on the 2nd and 3rd floor using Low Income Housing Tax Credits and HUD HOME funding and 2,500 square feet of market rate commercial space on the 1st floor. It has been over 20 years since the initial redevelopment and repairs are needed.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- The building has an older chiller that is anticipated to fail in the near future,
- Exterior brick needs minor repointing and repair,
- The roof is over 20 years old,
- Flooring in the common area is showing wear,
- Exterior wooden trim has peeling and worn paint,
- Window caulking has been worn or is no longer present,
- The fire panel is no long code complaint, and
- The application indicates there are security issues in the neighborhood that warrant security measures.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Replacing the chiller and potentially upgrading the associated control system,
- Replacing the roofing with a similar asphalt roof,
- Repointing and repairing the exterior brick walls,
- Painting wooden trim and architectural elements,
- Recaulking windows,
- Replacing flooring in the interior common areas
- Replacing the existing fire panel to bring it up to applicable building code, and
- Installing security cameras.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant has considered the SOI standards.

Project No. 38 - Miles City Elks Lodge #537, Miles City Elks Lodge #537

Replace windowpanes and preserve historic leaded transom windows, replace the unusable furnace on the 3rd floor with two high efficiency furnaces, replace damaged plumbing, and replace fuse boxes with electrical code complaint breaker boxes. Once repairs are complete, the Miles City Elks Lodge will be able to utilize the 2nd and 3rd floors year-round as a community event space.

This application received 650 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 38 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$200,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Elks Members	In-Kind donation- 2,500 hours @\$20/hr	\$50,000	Secured
Project Total		\$250,000	

Applicant type – Non-profit, Historic site

Project History – Constructed in 1914, the Miles City Elks Lodge building has been the home of the local Elks Lodge membership for over 100 years. The structure maintains much of the original woodwork and decorative elements that showcase the Elks Lodge heritage. Historic documentation indicates the Elks Lodge was a predominant community gathering center, particularly during the Prohibition era, and continues to host events for members and guests. The application indicates the recent growth in membership has resulted in renewed efforts to restore the Elks Lodge as a community center while maintaining and showcasing lodge artifacts and historic architecture.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiencies:

- The majority of the windows are original to the building and have caulking that has deteriorated to the point of near failure causing windowpanes to detach from their frame.
- The building has an inoperable furnace on the 3rd floor which eliminates the use of the space during colder months and has led to freezing pipes.
- The building is currently served by 7 fuse boxes which are out of compliance with current building code and are a fire hazard.
- The existing plumbing system is old and in need of repair due to previous exposure to cold temperatures from an unheated space.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Replacing seven existing fuse boxes with breaker boxes meeting current electrical codes;
- Painting and sealing wooden window frames;
- Installation of fiberglass inserts within existing windows frames, installation of storm windows on historic transom windows;
- Removal and replacement of the existing, unusable furnace on the 3rd floor with two 96% energy efficient furnaces; and
- Replacement or repair of damaged plumbing will be where needed.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant has considered the SOI standards.

Condition –If funded, the applicant must document that the in-kind match comprised of Elk member volunteer work was completed within the previous year (no earlier than February 2021) or an alternative form of match must be secured prior to entering into a contract with Commerce. Documentation of the public hearing associated with the environmental review must be provided as a start up condition if the grant is awarded.

Project No. 40 Daly Mansion Preservation Trust, *Daly Mansion*
Repairs to plaster walls, replacement of wallpaper, and bringing the rooms back to their original condition of the 1910 structure.

This application received 630 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 40 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$266,400	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Daly Mansion	Cash	\$66,600	Committed
Project Total		\$333,000	

Applicant type – Non Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Daly Mansion is a historic home and grounds in the Bitterroot valley listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The mansion is a 24,000 sq. ft. home and has 26 acres of landscaped grounds. The Daly Mansion Preservation trust runs the operations while the building and grounds are owned by the State. The building and grounds are currently used for giving public and school historical educational tours, events, and community space. The mansion underwent a major renovation in 2005 but not all of the planned restoration was finished. The unfinished sections of the original plan were on the 3rd floor and 2 bedrooms on the 2nd floor. There are 19 separate rooms on the third floor. 10 bedrooms (2 of which are currently used as staff offices), a sewing room, a trunk room, a linen closet, a large billiard room, and 5 non-functional bathrooms. Five of the bedrooms, the billiard room, guest bedroom hall and servant hall had ceiling work done, but no work was done on the plaster walls or wallpaper of the remaining rooms during the 2005 restoration and need varying restoration. Although the 2nd floor rooms were restored during the 2005 restoration, there is a wall that was damaged while the home was boarded up.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- Unfinished restoration of the 2nd and 3rd floor bedrooms leaving damaged plaster walls and wallpaper. There is a damaged wall on the second floor.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Plaster wall repair,
- Wallpaper replacement, and
- Restoration of 2nd and 3rd floor rooms to their original, 1910 condition.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as they noted they would work within the standards for project renovations.

Condition – If funded, the applicant must complete the environmental review.

Project No. 40 - Fountain Terrace Condominiums, Inc., Fountain Terrace Condominiums
Installation of a fire alarm system, correction of water drainage, and repair of exterior stone and mortar for the Fountain Terrace Condominiums in Lewistown. The Fountain Terrace Condominiums include 40 units, predominately for senior citizens, in the historic Saint Joseph's Hospital near downtown.

This application received 630 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 40 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Fountain Terrace Condominiums, Inc.	Cash	\$52,846	Committed
Fountain Terrace Condominiums, Inc.	Cash – Future Planned Individual Unit Assessment	\$508,153	Pending
Project Total		\$1,061,000	

Applicant type – Non-Profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Saint Joseph’s Hospital in Lewistown, which was built in 1903, was decommissioned in the 1970s and renovated into condominiums in the 1980s. The initial HOA fee was \$0.55 per square foot; in the 30+ years of occupancy, it has only increased to \$1.35 per square foot. Due to this, the short- and long-term maintenance funds were depleted and the structure has deteriorated due to neglect. The structure includes 40 single family units; all units are occupied, and most of the residents are over 65 years old.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The structure is at risk due to 30+ years of delayed maintenance. The applicant intends to cover the structural steel beam repairs and fire escape repairs on their own.
- The applicant is seeking funding for the other significant deficiencies, which are the outdated fire alarm system and damaged masonry.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Upgrading the fire alarm system,
- Correcting water drainage, and
- Repairing damaged exterior stone and mortar.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that they would adhere to the SOI standards, especially when selecting a contractor, but did not mention which of the SOI standards they would follow.

Project No. 40 - Garfield County, *Garfield County Museum*

Construction of a new museum facility for the Garfield County Museum that will accommodate year-round operation. The museum collections include nationally renowned dinosaur fossils and is located on the Montana Dinosaur Trail that boasts 400,000 visitors a year.

This application received 630 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 40 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Museum Cash Account	Cash	\$30,000	Secured
Mountain West Dynamark	Material donation	\$19,750	Secured
Gibson Well Repair & Earth Moving	Material donation	\$2,000	Secured
Dueling Dinosaurs, LLC	Material donation	\$2,250	Secured
Tom Wankel	Material donation	\$10,000	Secured
Montana Tourism Grant	Grant	\$25,000	Pending
Garfield County Endowment	Grant	\$3,000	Pending
Central Montana Foundation	Grant	\$20,000	Pending
Montana History Foundation	Grant	\$25,000	Pending
Montana Historical Society	Grant	\$20,000	Pending
Nibs and Edna Allen Foundation	Grant	\$5,000	Pending
Stockman Bank	Grant	\$10,000	Pending
First Interstate Bank	Grant	\$5,000	Pending
Northwest Farm Credit Service	Grant	\$5,000	Pending
Mountain West	Grant	\$5,000	Secured
Institute of Museum and Library	Grant	\$25,000	Secured
MDOC-CDBG (PAR)	Grant	\$50,000	Pending
Garfield County Bank	Cash	\$3,000	Pending
Town Pump	Grant	\$5,000	Pending
Memorial fund raising	Cash	\$10,000	Pending
McCone Electric	Grant	\$5,000	Pending
In-Kind Donations	Cash	\$200,000	Pending
Monetary Pledges	Cash	\$200,000	Pending
Clearwater Energy	Grant	\$5,000	Secured
Montana Coal Board	Grant	\$7,000	Secured
Various Fundraisers	Cash	\$245,000	Pending
Project Total		\$1,440,000	

Applicant type – Government, History museum

Project History – The Garfield County Museum in Jordan, Montana was built in 1984 to display the county’s rich archeological and historic resources. The museum collections primarily include dinosaur fossils found in Garfield County and the eastern Montana and, as such, the museum is a designated stop on the Montana Dinosaur Trail. In recent decades, the museum collections have outgrown the structure which has no temperature controls and is uninsulated. Given the wildly fluctuating temperatures of eastern Montana, the museum is only open during the summer months. Due to the constraints of the building to accommodate growth, the Garfield County Museum Board has identified the need for a new building to house the museum collections.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiency:

- The existing structure that houses the Garfield County Museum is an uninsulated building that lacks environmental controls and is reaching capacity for storage and display of collections.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project includes:

- Selecting a site and constructing a new facility to house the Garfield County Museum. The new structure will be insulated and temperature controlled for year round operation and will be larger (approximately 8,000 square feet) to accommodate current and expanded collections of fossils, eastern Montana homestead historic artifacts, and additional space for expanded education programs.

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – The *SOI Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties* is not applicable as this project entails new construction for a museum.

Conditions: The Environmental Assessment and associated public hearing will be required for the new construction once the proposed location of the museum is selected.

Project No. 43- City of Deer Lodge, Deer Lodge City Hall

Restoration of the building columns, clock tower, mantel, and lintels; brick repointing; repair and replacement of cracked and nonfunctioning windows; completion of a Preliminary Architectural Report. The Deer Lodge City Hall has served as the city's civic center for over 100 years and is a contributing building to the Deer Lodge Central Business Historic District.

This application received 620 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 43 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$283,500	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
City of Deer Lodge	Cash	\$72,000	Committed
Project Total		\$355,500	

Applicant type – Government, Historic site

Project History – Built in 1919 in the Greek Revival style, the Deer Lodge City Hall has housed the city's civic offices for over 100 years. Recent inspection of the property shows deterioration of exterior elements and need to remodel the interior of the building for code compliance and general aesthetics and efficiency.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Peeling and flaking skim coating on the columns,
- Destabilization of the clock tower due to holes and gaps in the wood supportive panels,
- Peeling/missing paint from the decorative concrete band,
- Weathered stone and concrete lintels,
- Mortar deterioration, and
- Cracked/nonfunction windows.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Reapplication of skim coating on the front columns where peeling and flaking is exhibited,
- Renovating the clock tower by stabilizing the wood panels,
- Repainting the decorative concrete band around the building,
- Repairing stone and concrete mantels and lintels,
- Brick repointing,
- Replacing cracked or non-functioning windows, and
- Completing a Preliminary Architectural Report.

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards.

Project No. 44 - The Spofford Hotel Company, Pollard Hotel

Installation of 68 energy efficiency windows in the historic Pollard Hotel. Originally known as the Spofford Hotel, the hotel is located in the historic Red Lodge downtown and attracts tourists, business professionals, and locals to the hotel, restaurant, and conference center.

This application received 610 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 44 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$118,720	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Spofford Hotel Company	Cash	\$29,680	Committed
Project Total		\$148,400	

Applicant type – For-profit, Historic Site

Project History – The Pollard Hotel, originally known as the Spofford Hotel, was built in 1893 and was the first brick building constructed in Red Lodge. The hotel was the social, political, and cultural hub of Red Lodge and hosted many legendary western icons. The hotel’s commercial space once housed the city’s post office, bank, and other tenants over the years. The hotel underwent a major renovation in 1992 to restore the historic character of the property. The current owners purchased the building in 2018 and have since continued the work of updating the hotel in a historically sensitive manner.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiency:

- The all 68 of the hotel’s existing 30-50 year old windows are prone to water leaks, are energy inefficient, and poorly insulate from outdoor noise.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Replacing all 68 windows with energy efficient, double hung windows of the same shape and size as the original windows to preserve the historic character of the building.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards; the applicant stated that the SOI standard for rehabilitation will be followed.

Project No. 45- Town of Joliet, Joliet Town Hall

Replacement of the ceiling, electrical, plumbing, insulation, interior walls, windows, flooring, and an ADA compliant restroom in the Joliet Town Hall. The Joliet Town Hall serves as the Joliet Town Hall, Courthouse, and the Sheriff Substation.

This application received 600 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 45 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$83,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Town of Joliet	Cash	\$17,000	Committed
Project Total		\$100,000	

Applicant type – Government, Historic site

Project History – The Joliet Town Hall, originally the Joliet Fire Hall, was constructed in 1910 and moved to the current location in the 1940s. The building currently houses government offices including the mayor, clerk-treasurer, public works, the Joliet sheriff substation, courthouse, and meeting rooms for Town Council, Chamber of Commerce, and other community boards. The building has some deferred maintenance and, after flooding in 2011, is in need of comprehensive repairs as outlined in the 2019 Capital Improvements Plan completed by Triple Tree Engineering.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The basement is currently not finished, is not usable, and does not have adequate means of entry.
- The building needs an ADA compliant restroom and new ADA ramp to the court room.
- The windows are old and inefficient.
- The ceiling tiles are old and sagging.
- The electrical system is old and needs to be updated.
- Insulation and drywall in some parts of the building have been removed after the flood.
- The floors are outdated and in poor condition.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Installation of insulation and drywall in the walls and ceiling,
- Paint and installation of interior trim,
- Replacement of damaged ceiling tiles,
- Flooring replacement,
- Electrical upgrades,
- Window replacement, and
- ADA accessible and compliant restrooms and entrance ramp.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards.

Condition- If awarded, the Town of Joliet will need to provide an updated budget and secure matching funds of at least 20% of the total project cost.

Project No. 46 - Lakeside Distillery, Lakeside Distillery

Exterior stone wall and stucco repair, exterior paint, and installation of ADA compliant entrance ramp. The proposed work would continue the rehabilitation of the building that houses the newly established Lakeside Distillery in downtown Townsend.

This application received 580 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 46 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$65,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Valley Bank of Helena	Loan	\$100,425	Secured
Project Total		\$165,425	

Applicant type – Non-profit, Historic site

Project History – The Lakeside Distillery opened in 2021 in the original Berg Brothers Mercantile building located on the principal commercial corridor in Townsend. The structure was constructed in 1885 and, given the building’s proximity to the Northern Pacific Railroad, operated as a hardware store serving adjacent gold mining communities. The building was abandoned in the early 2000’s and fell into disrepair until the property was purchased and renovated for the operation of the distillery in 2020. To date, the applicant has invested over \$100,000 to reconstruct the interior of the building, including replacing the water damaged wooden floor, replacing the roof, installing new plumbing and electrical systems, replacing the windows and doors on the front façade, installing an energy efficient HVAC system, and commissioning a mural on the exterior side wall of the building.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need includes resolving the following deficiencies:

- Exterior stucco has become severely delaminated and brittle leading to exposure and deterioration of stone wall.
- In some areas of the building, the stone wall is exposed up to 4 feet from adjacent grade and water intrusion and damage has occurred as a result.
- The building entrance is not ADA-compliant.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- The stone wall foundation on the west side of the building will be repointed and repaired, as needed;
- Delaminated stucco will be repaired and painted; and
- The concrete step will be removed and an ADA compliant concrete entrance ramp will be installed by the front entrance.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant is aware of the SOI standards but it did not elaborate on how the project would follow the applicable standards.

Condition –If awarded, the applicant must document that the interior work accomplished as a result of the matching funds was completed within the previous year (no earlier than February 2021) or an alternative form of match must be secured prior to entering into a contract with Commerce. The applicant must also complete the environmental review as part of the start up requirements.

Project No. 47- Miracle of America Museum, *Miracle of America Museum*
Reconstruct historic 1930s barn damaged by fire. The Snyder/Trusler barn is part of the Miracle of America Museum that attracts visitors from all 50 states and 50 international countries to Northwest Montana to experience a wide variety of American history.

This application received 560 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 47 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$92,963	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Greater Polson Community Foundation	Grant	\$3,000	Committed
Misc. Barn Raising funds	Cash	\$1,500	Committed
Miracle of America Museum funds	Cash	\$18,000	Committed
In-kind labor	In-kind (100 hours@ \$20/hr)	\$2,000	Committed
Project Total		\$116,204	

Applicant type – Non-profit, History museum

Project History – The Miracle of America Museum located outside of Polson, Montana, acquired and moved the Snyder/Trusler barn to the museum location in 1991 to store and display the Rural America museum collection. In June 2021, the barn and many of the objects inside were severely damaged by fire. The museum is requesting funds to reestablish the “old red barn” to continue and expand the Rural American display consisting of historic farm and ranch tools.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The barn is severely damaged and unusable for museum storage and display due to a fire that occurred in June 2021.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Removal of fire damaged building,
- Installation of new concrete foundation, and
- Construction of new two-story barn to replicate the original Snyder/Trusler barn.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – The applicant did not specifically address how the SOI standards would be applied.

Project No. 48- Mountana Consulting, LLC, Legal Tender Bar and Hotel Building
Building stabilization, roof replacement, exterior paint removal, window and door replacement, installation of HVAC and necessary electrical components, installation of propane tank, and installation of bathrooms and associated plumbing. The former Tourist Hotel would be converted into an event space with short term rental units on the second floor.

This application received 520 points out of a possible 1,100 points and ranked 48 out of 48 for funding in the 2025 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	\$255,937	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Mountana Consulting, LLC	Cash	\$63,984	Committed
Project Total		\$319,922	

Applicant type – For-profit, Historic Site

Project History – Formerly known as the Tourist Hotel in Thompson Falls, the 2-story structure with basement was constructed in 1911 by C.H. Finley of Missoula and housed a saloon, dining room, and 12 sleeping rooms. The second story sleeping rooms were later used as offices and subsequently vacated while the downstairs bar remained intact and later operated as the Boondoggler’s Saloon. The property sat underutilized for many years and was recently purchased by Tyler and Kathryn Weisser with the intention of turning the historic building into an events space for business meetings, weddings, receptions, out of town visitors, government functions, parties and family reunions.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:

- The historic building has aging electrical, plumbing, HVAC and other building components.
- The southwest corner of the building has experienced settling and structural instability.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Stabilizing the northwest corner of the building with pilings and steel supports,
- Installation of a new foam roof,
- Installation of HVAC and required electrical components,
- Replacement of existing plumbing,
- Installation of basic commercial and residential bathroom facilities,
- Installation of a propane tank and associated plumbing,
- Replacement of all 19 original windows with energy efficient windows,
- Restoration of deteriorating brick and grout on building exterior,
- Sandblasting paint from front façade to expose the underlying brick, and
- Replacement exterior doors.

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – The applicant did not explicitly describe how the project would follow the SOI standards.

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**Blaine County Museum - *Blaine County Museum in Chinook*
History Museum (Infrastructure) – Repair Foundation of the Blaine County Museum**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$60,240	100%
Project Total		\$60,240	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit – Historic Museum

Project History – The Blaine County Museum is an entity of Blaine County. The museum building was built in 1915 and operated as a recreation center and then a grocery store before being repurposed to a museum in 1977. The museum has a lack of upstairs space and many of the museum’s collections, including an extensive photo archive, are housed in the basement. The basement has yearly water damage due to flooding. The flooding puts their collections at risk.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The foundation is cracked allowing flooding in the basement every year.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will waterproof the exterior of the facility’s foundation by filling and refinishing the cracked interior walls. In addition, the applicant will dig to the foundation’s base to wash and cover the exterior walls with a liquid rubber sealant. Perimeter drains will also be installed at the base of the foundation to direct groundwater away from the foundation. Finally, the foundation’s interior walls will be cleaned, their cracks will be filled, and then they will be refinished with stucco.

Project Status – Not contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done. The applicant is no longer moving forward with the original proposed scope due to a feasibility study showing that the project and use of the museum building long-term is no longer possible or cost-effective. The County is prioritizing other eligible project ideas to request a change in project scope for the project funds. The applicant has not committed to matching funds at this time.

**Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes– *The People’s Center in Pablo*
History Museum (Infrastructure) – Upgrade and Install New Well, Sewer System, Security System,
and ADA Improvements**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$50,600	Unknown
Project Total		\$50,600	Unknown

Applicant Type: Tribe – History Museum

Project History – The People’s Center is a museum, gift shop, and cultural center for the Confederated Salish Kootenai tribes, promoting and interpreting the cultural heritage of the Salish, Kootenai and Pend d’Oreille tribes. The People’s Center exhibits historic artifacts, promotes local artists, and supports tribal culture through the hosting of events and activities. The building opened to the public in 1995.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The building is not ADA compliant and wheelchair users require assistance to enter the building. The building shares a well and sewer with the residential property next door which does not provide sufficient water to meet the People’s Center’s requirements. In addition, the building lacks proper security systems to protect its collection.

Proposed Solution- The proposed project will install ADA compliant electronic doors, install a separate well and sewer system for the building, and update the security systems in The People’s Center in Pablo.

The People’s Center experienced an arson fire post-application in September 2020 that destroyed the museum and damaged parts of their collection. CSKT decided to rebuild the museum, co-locating it with a visitor center for the National Bison Range, outside of St. Ignatius. As a result, CSKT has requested to use their \$50,600 MHPG award for their original scope of work – ADA compliance, a water well, and a security system – at the new location in St. Ignatius. In addition, CSKT has requested to use 10% of their award, which is permitted by the MHPG Guidelines, for a Preliminary Architectural Report (PAR).

Project Status- Not Contracted. Applicant is reassessing overall project strategy, timeline, and budget in order to determine and prioritize next project steps and needs. Total project cost due to these factors is unknown at this time.

**Fallon County– O’Fallon Historical Museum in Baker
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Rehabilitate the Foundation of the Fallon County Jail**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$298,657	30%
Fallon County	Capital	\$80,000	8%
Project Total		>\$1,000,000*	*See project status notes

Applicant Type: Local Government – Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1916, the Fallon County Jail served as the county jail from its creation until 1974. It is now the only remaining building in Fallon County on the National Historic Register, and the anchor building of the O’Fallon Historical Museum complex. Built by Montana’s most prolific architectural firm, Link & Haire, the structure incorporates craftsman ideals of honesty and simplicity through its concrete and stucco design.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ☐ Structural issues with the foundation, water damage in the basement walls, and peeling exterior stucco.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will rehabilitate the Fallon County Jail based on a recently-completed structural assessment; the proposed project will focus on repairing the structure’s foundation and exterior stucco. The existing foundation will be protected with a perimeter excavation and exterior treatment to prevent further water infiltration. In addition, severely water damaged areas of the building will be repaired, a perimeter foundation drain tile will be installed, and the current sump pump will be replaced. To complete these repairs, an unused boiler in the basement will need to be removed and disassembled. These actions will extend the life of the Fallon County Jail for an additional 40-50 years while preserving the historical integrity of the building.

Project Status – Withdrawn. Due to a necessary increase in scope and project cost of over \$1,000,000, the applicants have decided to not move forward with the project. The \$298,657 in grant funds have been reverted to the program.

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**Bighorn Valley Health Center, Inc. – Crowley Block in Lewistown
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Facade Improvements and Renovation of Interior Historical Features**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$412,535	83%
Big Horn Valley Health Center	Capital and Reserves	\$82,773	17%
Project Total		\$495,308	

Applicant Type: Nonprofit – Historic Site

Project History – Bighorn Valley Health Center (BVHC) is one of Montana’s 14 Community Health Centers. BVHC recently bought the Crowley Block in downtown Lewistown. The building is 28,000 square feet, three floors, and uses 80 feet of frontage on Main Street. It is part of the Lewistown Central Business Historic District and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. BVHC intends to rehabilitate the Crowley Block for mixed-use; the basement, first floor, and mezzanine will be used as a community-based, outpatient primary health center, while the second and third floors will be used as 12-18 apartments.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Repairable or unusable doors and historic hardware on the exterior; crumbling masonry and tuckpointing on the exterior; repairable or unusable windows, sash, and historic hardware on the exterior; repairable or unusable doors, frames, and historic hardware on the second and third floor interior; and crumbling cornices and friezes on the exterior of the building.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will address the deficiencies in the Crowley Block in four phases, although MHPG funds are only requested for Phase III. Phase I, II, and III will be completed in the next two years, and Phase IV will be completed in the next five years. Phase I includes acquisition, planning, and hazardous material abatement. Phase II includes construction of the health center. Phase III includes addressing many of the historical characteristics on the exterior and interior of the building. And Phase IV includes renovating the 12-18 apartments on the second and third floors. The applicant stated that the scope of work for Phase III includes: restoring the exterior façade, doors, and historic hardware, rehabilitating the exterior masonry and tuckpointing, rehabilitating the exterior windows and sash, restoring the original wood double hung windows, rehabilitating the second and third floor doors, frames, and historic hardware, and rehabilitating the exterior cornices and friezes.

Project Status- Complete. As of September 2022, \$412,535 in grant funds have been expended.

**Boone and Crockett Club – Milwaukee Depot in Missoula
Historic Site (Maintenance) – Restore Exterior of Building Including Windows, Masonry, and Roof**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	38%
Murdock Trust	Grant	\$300,000	23%
Montana History Foundation	Grant	\$20,000	2%
Boone and Crockett Club	Cash	\$482,900	37%
Project Total		\$1,302,900	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit Entity – Historic Site

Project History – The Missoula Milwaukee Depot was built in 1890 and is individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Boone and Crockett Club, a non-profit committed to promoting the conservation and management of wildlife, especially big game, purchased the building in 1992 to serve as the organization’s headquarters. Since then, the club has undertaken three phases of repairs and improvements to the building, but after 130 years the iconic building needs a comprehensive restoration to ensure its continued use and preservation. The applicant, the Boone and Crockett Club, commissioned an architectural firm to undertake a comprehensive conditions assessment to inform the restoration of the structure. The report identified several areas of needed restoration including, roofing, masonry, and window repairs.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The conditions report identified a comprehensive list of needed repairs and suggested treatments. Major items included roof and soffit damage caused by improper shingle installation, window restoration, and masonry repairs.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will comprehensively address the deficiencies as recommended in the conditions report including the repair and replacement of the roof with a more historically accurate, and durable Spanish tile material, restoring the building to a more original appearance and providing a longer life-expectancy than asphalt shingles. The project would also address window/door renovations and masonry repointing as specified by the architect to position the building for another 100+ years of use.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**Carpenters Union Hall, Inc.– Carpenters Union Hall in Butte
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Install Fire Escape and External Elevator and Upgrade the Building for
Seismic Protection**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$228,600	67%
Superfund Advisory and Redevelopment Trust Authority	Grant	\$45,720	13%
Urban Revitalization Agency	Grant	\$68,580	20%
Project Total		\$342,900	

Applicant Type: For-Profit Entity – Historic Site

Project History – The Carpenters Union Hall in Butte is the oldest continuously operating labor temple in Montana. Constructed in 1906, the building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, contributing to the rich architectural inventory of Uptown Butte. The basement and first floor of the Carpenters Union Hall are occupied by a community radio station and labor unions, and the meeting hall on the first floor is used on a near-daily basis by various community groups. However, the two upper floors of the building were abandoned in the mid-1970s and have been severely neglected for decades. In the last six years, the applicant has invested over \$85,000 in restoring these two upper floors to be used as ballrooms and offices; the roof was replaced, the original windows were reconstructed, the plaster work on the coved ceilings were restored, the electrical and plumbing were upgraded, and a new heating system was installed. The renovation of the two upper floors is nearly complete, but accessibility issues remain.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ There is no elevator in the Carpenters Union Hall, only a staircase leading to the two upper floors. As a result, the applicant is concerned that accessibility issues may reduce the public’s ability to use the ballrooms and offices on the upper floors of the building.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will install an elevator on the exterior of the Carpenters Union Hall. This will ensure that elderly and disabled members of the Butte community are fully able to utilize and enjoy this restored historic building. In addition, the elevator design includes a new external fire escape to bring the building into compliance with safety codes along with exterior thrust buttresses to seismically secure the structure.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**City of Shelby – Old Town Hall in Shelby
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Repair Roof**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$9,000	75%
City of Shelby	General Funds	\$3,000	25%
Project Total		\$12,000	

Applicant Type: Local Government – Historic Site

Project History – The City of Shelby’s Town hall was built in 1923 and named to the National Register of Historic Places in 2005. The roof has deteriorated due to age and weather with pooling of water on it.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The building needs its roof repaired.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include roof restoration with prep and new spray foam insulation.

Project Status – Complete. As of September 2022, \$ \$7,708.80 grant funds have been expended and \$1,291.20 in awarded funds were recaptured.

**City-County Butte-Silver Bow– Mother Lode Theatre in Butte
Historic Site (Fire Protection – Install Fire Suppression System and Alarm System)**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$450,000	63%
Butte Silver-Bow	Cash	\$12,000	2%
Butte Silver-Bow Urban Revitalization Agency	Grant	\$228,200	32%
Butte Silver-Bow Superfund Advisory and Redevelopment Trust Authority	Grant	\$25,000	3%
Project Total		\$715,200	

Applicant Type: Local Government – Historic Site

Project History – The Mother Lode Theatre was constructed in 1924 and donated to Butte Silver-Bow County in 1993. A \$3 million renovation project was completed in 1996. The Butte Center for the Performing Arts leases the theatre and operates it currently. The theatre operates as a venue for Butte Community Concert, Butte Symphony, Montana Repertory Theatre, Orphan Girl Children’s Theatre, and more. The theatre has a lack of adequate fire protection. The BSB Fire Marshall has allowed the theatre to operate while it pursues funding, but it is not up to current safety standards.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The building needs an updated fire suppression and alarm system.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will install a fire suppression and alarm system to bring the building into current safety codes.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**Dillon Public Library – Dillon Public Library
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Repair Roof, Gutter, and Interior Plaster**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$11,447	66%
Montana History Foundation	Grant	\$6,000	34%
Project Total		\$17,447	

Applicant Type: Public Library – Historic Site

Project History – The Dillon Public Library is a Carnegie Library that is on the National Register of Historic Places. Built in 1902, it is at the center of town and an architectural jewel in Beaverhead County. Over the past few years, there has been damage to the building from snow and rain that internally and externally enter the building.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The Dillon Public Library’s gutters malfunction, which is exacerbated when there is the weight of snow on the roof and gutters. This causes snow and rain to internally and externally enter the building.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will fix the gutters, repair and/or install heat tape, add snow breaks, and waterproof the lower sections of stone and some of the upper sections of stone on the exterior of the building.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$7,328.37 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 42% done.

**Finlen Properties, LLC – Hotel Finlen in Butte
Historic Site (Building Code Issue) – Install Sprinkler System and Safety System**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$341,149	18%
RCAD	Loan	\$1,515,518	82%
Project Total		\$1,856,667	

Applicant Type: For-Profit Entity – Historic Site

Project History – The Hotel Finlen in Butte was constructed in 1923 in the Second French Empire Style and has been called “the most iconic hotel in Montana.” The building currently encompasses 120,000 square feet, offering 36 apartments, 10 commercial spaces, 24 hotel and 32 motel rooms as well as a lobby and ballroom spaces. Portions of the building are currently vacant, including the 30-room annex tower. The facility has not undergone any major renovation work in five decades largely due to the high cost of retrofitting the building to meet modern building codes. The current owners purchased the hotel complex in 2018 with the goal of returning the iconic hotel to its original position as a premier lodging and events facility to match its architectural grandeur. The current owners have completed thorough market studies, business planning, and preliminary architectural reports to direct the best approach to renovating the Hotel Finlen as part of Uptown Butte’s revitalization efforts.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Any major renovation work will trigger building code requirements to update the fire suppression and egress systems. The hotel building is in sound condition, but it needs renovations to reposition it as a grand lodging facility. The hotel does not currently offer enough rooms to realize returns to scale on operating efficiency.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will renovate the vacant annex to restore 30 high quality hotel rooms, improving the operational efficiency of the hotel and repositioning the hotel as a premier historic hotel. The requested MHPG funds would contribute to the cost of installing fire suppression systems in the building in order to meet modern code requirements. The project is intended to be a catalyst for Uptown Butte revitalization efforts, creating spillover benefits to local businesses and generating intensified interest in the rich heritage of the nation’s largest national historic landmark district.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**Fort Owen State Park – East Barracks at Fort Owen
Historic Site (Maintenance) – Preserve East Barracks**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$81,561	52%
Helmsley Family Trust (State Parks Foundation)	Grant	\$75,000	48%
Project Total		\$156,561	

Applicant Type: State Agency – Historic Site

Project History – Fort Owen State Park is a one-acre park in the Bitterroot Valley, which includes remains of a trading post occupied from 1850 to 1900. The Fort Owen trading post played a significant role in the early history of Montana; it was an important touchstone for fur traders, Jesuit and U.S. government officials, gold prospectors, and homesteaders and ranchers. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The only significant remaining structure at Fort Owen State Park – the adobe East Barracks built in 1857 – needs significant repairs.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- According to a Facility Condition Inventory, the East Barracks at Fort Owen State Park needs significant repairs. In addition, the shorter adobe walls – which depict what the original 1857 adobe walls would have looked like for interpretive purposes – need significant repairs.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include repointing eroded mortar joints on the adobe walls, repairing gaps around the windows, repairing heavy pitting in some of the adobe walls, and replacing in-kind the top two courses of adobe brick on both chimneys. In addition, the wooden windows and doors need repairs, the structure needs interventions to make it marmot-proof, and the shorter adobe interpretive walls require rebuilding and new coping.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$24,844 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 36% done.

**Greater Gardiner Community Council – Gardiner Community Center
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Replace Roof and Complete Structural Improvements**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	36%
Greater Gardiner Community Council	Grants	\$881,000	64%
Project Total		\$1,381,000	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit Entity – Historic Site

Project History – The Gardiner Community Center, original built in 1910 as the Gardiner Opera House, continues to serve the community as an event and meeting space. The building is a large barn-style structure with stone walls and a gambrel roof. The load of the roof structure has caused outward bowing of the exterior walls. Cross ties were installed in the 1980s to correct the issue which has slowed, but not halted. The Gardiner Community Council recently commissioned Cushing Terrell Architects to complete a structural assessment of the building. A hazardous materials assessment and most of the required abatement work was completed in 2017.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The roof load has caused the exterior stone walls to bow out over the years resulting in structural instability. Corrective action in the 1980s did not fully arrest the issue and the collar ties were installed that broke up the interior space and limited the use of the performance stage.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will address the structural issues noted in the structural assessment, installing a new steel framework and roof truss system to fully stabilize the structure. The project will involve the installation of new water and sewer lines and restoration of the original entry sequence. Additional phases of interior renovations will further improve the building as a useable event space.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**Livingston Depot Foundation, Inc. – Livingston Depot Center
Historic Site (Climate Control) – Restore the Historic Windows and Install Storm Windows**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$140,000	69%
Livingston Depot Foundation, Inc.	Cash	\$62,392	31%
Project Total		\$202,392	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit Entity – Historic Site

Project History – The Livingston Depot was completed in 1902 by the Northern Pacific Railroad to serve as a prominent gateway for rail passengers disembarking to visit Yellowstone National Park. The depot now serves as a visitor center, community center, and railroad museum. The Livingston Depot is utilized as an event and wedding venue, which is the primary revenue source for the Livingston Depot Foundation. The applicant undertook an extensive renovation in 1985, leveraging over \$800,000 in local funding. In 2004, they raised another \$500,000 to replace the building’s roof. The applicant continues to maintain and upgrade the facility. Recently they began a climate control upgrading project. Phase I of the project updated the heating and cooling systems with new boilers installed. Phase II installed an HVAC control system and updated lighting with energy efficient bulbs. The applicant is now beginning Phase III, which will restore the historic windows of the structure to improve their energy performance.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The historic single paned windows of the Livingston Depot are in a state of deterioration and have experienced deferred maintenance. The windows are a primary source of heat loss for the building due to improper sealing, deterioration, and cracks to windowpanes. These deficiencies cause increased energy costs and limit building use in the colder shoulder and winter months. To mitigate over-heating in the summer and heat loss in the winter the Livingston Depot Foundation installs temporary interior shutters. These shutters reduce the appeal of the building both from the street and as a venue. In addition, they are logistically difficult for facility staff to manage, weighing 250 lbs. each.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will restore the historic windows and install historically appropriate exterior storm windows and interior window coverings to address the deteriorated state of the windows and greatly improve their energy efficiency. The proposed solution is identified as a more cost effective and historically appropriate alternative to replacing the windows, which results in a similar energy performance.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$78,269.87 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 48% done.

**McPherson Real Estate LLC on behalf of The Dion Building–The Dion Block in Glendive
Historic Site (Maintenance) – Replace Roof and Improve Interior Skylights Over Atrium Space**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$206,822	76%
Owner	Cash	\$66,364	24%
Project Total		\$273,186	

Applicant Type: For-Profit Entity – Historic Site

Project History – The Dion Block is a group of four connected storefronts that comprise a primary component of the Glendive Downtown Historic District, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Construction began in 1886, and the buildings have since been a key part of the Glendive commercial district. The current owners have demonstrated a commitment to the renovation of the historic building and to improving its economic viability. Currently 12 businesses are housed within the building. The owners have begun undertaking phases of building improvements as part of a Historic Tax Credit project. Recent improvements include façade renovations, HVAC improvements, and roofing repairs to 1/3 of the building.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ A roof leak was identified in 2019. The roof failure impacts 2/3 of the building and has caused damage to an interior party wall. The source of roof failure is identified as leaks in a non-original metal roof structure built over the original roof. This roof structure also obscures original skylights. Due to the leaking, 1,500 square feet of the building is not rentable, and the long-term use of occupied spaces is threatened.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will remove the metal roofing system and replace the historic roof, which will include restoring the historic skylights. The project has been spec’d for a PVC membrane roof and has already received approval from the State Historic Preservation Office.

Project Status- Contracted. As of September 2022, \$171,575.40 in grant funds have been expended and the project is 83% complete.

**Missoula Art Museum– *Missoula Art Museum*
Historic Site (Climate Control) – Upgrade Climate Control System and Improve Energy Efficiency**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$419,000	69%
Missoula Art Museum	Cash	\$27,500	5%
City of Missoula	Cash	\$158,842	26%
Project Total		\$605,342	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit – Historic Site

Project History – The Missoula Carnegie Library was built in 1903 to the design of prominent local architect A.J. Gibson with a second story added in 1913. The building was saved from demolition in 1974 when the Missoula Area Arts Council leased the building to house the Missoula Arts Museum (MAM). The museum has been continually improved over its 45 years of operation, most notably with a \$5.3 million building renovation and expansion project in 2006. The museum is nationally accredited and a cornerstone of Missoula’s Arts and Cultural economy. The City of Missoula maintains ownership of the building and contributes to maintenance costs. MAM has inconsistencies with internal climate which are a concern for maintaining exhibits and securing art on loan. In 2018, the firm McKinstry completed an evaluation of the museums energy and climate control system’s recommending several improvements.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The McKinstry building study identified several issues which increase energy costs and inconsistent climate control in different areas of the museum, identifying issues with the building envelop, need to update boilers, and need to alter climate control systems to better regulate temperatures and humidity throughout the building. These deficiencies threaten the museums ability to maintain the proper climate control needed to borrow valuable artwork and maintain national accreditation.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will address all building envelope and mechanical systems deficiencies to ensure proper climate control within the museum and reduce energy costs. Improvements will include replacement of the existing boiler system with a more efficient unit. The project scope has been informed by the building study to ensure improvement address issues in a cost-effective manner.

Project Status –Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**Museum of the Rockies– *Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman*
History Museum (Infrastructure) – Construct a New Roof Superstructure to Mitigate Seismic and
Roof Deficiencies**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$500,000	14%
Museum of the Rockies	MOR Board, MOR National Advisory Board, Individuals, Foundations, and MSU (Maintenance fund)	3,059,234	86%
Project Total		\$3,559,234	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit Entity – History Museum

Project History – The Museum of the Rockies was founded in 1957 and is a division of Montana State University, partially governed by the nonprofit Museum of the Rockies, Inc. The museum has grown to become one of Montana’s most visited museums, renowned for its paleontology collection, and housing over 300,000 historical artifacts. Museum of the Rockies greeted over 220,000 visitors in 2019 including 67,000 school children. The structure has undergone several phases of expansion in the 1970s and 1980s with over 120,000 square feet of exhibit space around a central open courtyard. The collapse of a roof of similar age and design as the 1970s wings of the museum prompted the Museum of the Rockies to undertake a structural assessment of the building.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ Structural concerns have been identified with the 1970s wings of the museum. A study by Robert Peccia & Associates identified three major deficiencies: the roof structure is at risk of structural failure in the event of heavy snow load, the structure is not adequately braced for seismic activity, and rain and snow melt often cause buildup in the open courtyard which leads to water infiltration to the exhibit halls.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will construct a new steel superstructure to enclose the central courtyard and 1970s wings. The new building will act to stabilize the 1970s wings, mitigate courtyard water issues, and create a more useable central hall which will accommodate future museum growth. A project team including architects/engineers, Museum of the Rockies board members, and Montana State University officials explored several options, identifying the proposed project as the highest value approach.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**National Forest Foundation – Spotted Bear Ranger Station near Hungry Horse
History Museum (Maintenance) – Update the Displays, Install Wayfinding, and Install Heating System**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$72,200	64%
National Forest Service	Grant	\$35,000	31%
Volunteers	In-kind	\$5,000	5%
Project Total		\$112,200	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit – History Museum

Project History – The Spotted Bear Ranger Station is located in the Spotted Bear Ranger District, a 1,037,083-acre area in the Flathead National Forest that encompasses part of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex. There are four buildings that make up the Spotted Bear Ranger Station, but the project is for the Spotted Bear Museum. The Spotted Bear Museum contains displays on the history of the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex, along with information on outfitting and guiding services in the area. The U.S. Forest Service constructed the building in 1923 and it is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ Thousands of tourists and recreationists visit the Spotted Bear Museum each year, but it is only open upon request due to issues with staffing, security, and displays. The displays are not secured or signed, so staff must provide tours and many visitors do not know to ask for them. In addition, there is no heat in the building, which is detrimental for artifacts and uncomfortable for visitors. Finally, there is no signage or ADA accommodations for the museum, so it is difficult to find and access.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will allow the Spotted Bear Museum to open up to self-guided tours and education events. To do this, the applicant will update the displays to tell a cohesive and compelling story; this will also include signs and security to ensure that staffing is not necessary. In addition, the applicant will install electric baseboards and a wood burning stove to protect artifacts and create a welcoming environment during the shoulder seasons. Finally, the applicant will work with a youth crew to install wayfinding around the property, prepare the interior of the building, and modify for ADA accessibility.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**Northwest Montana Historical Society– Central School Building in Kalispell
History Museum (Climate Control) – Repair, Flush, and Clean the HVAC System**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$58,385	84%
Northwest Montana Historical Society	Cash	\$11,170	16%
Project Total		\$69,555	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit – History Museum

Project History – Northwest Montana History Museum of Kalispell is currently located in the Central School building. The building is a 22,000 square foot building and erected in 1894. It is a contributing structure in a historic district on the National Register of Historic Places since 1994. The building served as a schoolhouse, Flathead Valley Community College, and the Northwest Montana History Museum since 1999. The Museum is operated by the Northwest Montana Historical Society, a registered 501(c)3 organization. The Museum has 45,000 artifacts, photographs, records, and documents that tell the story of Northwest Montana. Storage and displays of the Museum’s collection accounts for 60% of the Museum’s 22,000 square footage. Additionally, the building provides a meeting space that hosts over 100 events annually and provides multiple K-12 and adult education programs. The applicant notes that optimal temperature to increase the longevity of museum collections is 65 to 68 degrees Fahrenheit and the Museum currently lacks key components to the heating and cooling systems, putting at risk the historical collection as well as decreasing comfort for museum visitors, staff, and groups using the meeting areas.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ There are heating and cooling deficiencies that have led to decreased protection of the collections and decreased comfort for visitors.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will flush and clean the HVAC system. In addition, it will replace 42 malfunctioning valves and actuators.

Project Status –Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**Paradise Center - Paradise Elementary School Preservation Committee
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Installation of an Elevator and Construction of an ADA Bathroom**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$123,220	44%
Paradise Elementary School Preservation Committee	Grant	\$28,363	10%
M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust	Grant	\$62,500	22%
Sanders County	Grant	\$68,765	24%
Project Total		\$282,848	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit – Historic Site

Project History – The Paradise Center is a community, visitor, and arts center. The majority of the Paradise Center is housed within the Paradise Elementary School, which was built in 1910 and overlooks Paradise, Montana and the Clark Fork River Valley. Right now, only the main floor of the three-story building is with ADA accessible. Since 2016, the applicant has been renovating and operating the Paradise Center.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The Paradise Elementary School, the three-story building that houses the Paradise Center, is not compliant with ADA standards. The applicant has previously upgraded the auditorium, which is the other structure on the property, and installed an outdoor access ramp to the main floor of the Paradise Elementary School to mitigate some of the accessibility issues. However, there are no ADA access to the other floors and the basement bathroom is not ADA accessible.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will install an interior (limited use/limited access) elevator using space in two cloakrooms on the main floor and upper floor and a restroom in the basement. In addition, the other restroom in the basement will be renovated into unisex bathroom compartments, with at least one compartment that is ADA compliant.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$9,501.38 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 4% done.

**Peace Valley Limited Partnership– Boulder Hot Springs
Historic Site (Maintenance) – Restoration of the Exterior Stucco Cladding and Repairs to
Damaged Eaves**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$498,500	64%
PVLP	Cash	\$275,500	36%
Project Total		\$774,000	

Applicant Type: For-Profit Entity – Historic Site

Project History – The Boulder Hot Springs was first constructed in 1863 and has seen multiples uses and additions over the years. Its current Mission Style appearance reflects additions and remodeling begun in 1910. The Boulder Hot Springs currently operates as a hot spring, hotel, and event center with 29 guest rooms. Peace Valley Limited Partnership (PVLP) have owned the building since the 1980s and have completed several major projects to restore the historic structure and improve its economic potential. Improvements to guest rooms, asbestos remediation, building systems upgrades, and restoration of the historic ballroom bar, and veranda have been completed since the 1990s.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The exterior stucco finish of the walls is deteriorating with noticeable failure of the metal mesh substrate and wood structure beneath is evident in some places. The routine patching of the stucco work over the years has helped maintain the building envelope but cannot properly address the underlying issues resulting the stucco deterioration. Deterioration of the eaves and soffit on portions of the building and improper negative grading of the surrounding landscaping are identified as causes of deterioration.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will completely restore the stucco exterior of the entire building, repair building eaves and wall damage to correct the causes of accelerated deterioration. The project would also regrade the landscaping skirting the building to reestablish proper drainage. Once complete the project would restore the buildings historic stucco appearance, and ensure a proper building envelop to protect the building. The project will include completion of a Preliminary Architectural Report (PAR), to comprehensively evaluate the needs and opportunities to restore the building and ensure its continued economic viability.

Project Status- Contracted. As of September 2022, \$15,079 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 5% done.

**Preservation Cascade Inc. – 10th Street Bridge in Great Falls
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Bridge Balusters Replacements**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$125,000	26%
Preservation Cascade Inc.	Cash	\$359,000	74%
Project Total		\$484,000	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit – Historic Site

Project History – The 10th Street Bridge crossed the Missouri River in central Great Falls. Designed by Montanan architect George Shanely, it is the longest concrete arch bridge in the Great Plains states. It has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places and selected by the National Park Services as a “American Treasure.” The north end of the bridge was restored in 2003 with a Save America’s Treasures grant. The applicant notes the only way for pedestrians in Great Falls to cross the river in the area is on two other vehicular bridges. While parts of the bridge can be used, the entire span is not open to the public as there are missing baluster railings in areas.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Pedestrians cannot utilize the bridge fully due to a lack of safety and a baluster railing.

Proposed Solution – Installation of new balusters for the 10th street bridge.

Project Status –Contracted. As of September 2022, \$37,094 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 8% done.

**Sarah C. Calhoun, LLC on behalf of the Ringling Mansion– *Ringling Mansion in White Sulphur Springs*
Historic Site (Building Code Issue) – Reconstruct the Historic Wrap-Around Porch and
ADA Upgrades**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$89,500	83%
Sarah Calhoun, LLC	Cash	\$18,951	17%
Project Total		\$108,451	

Applicant Type: For-Profit – Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1892, the Ringling Mansion is a private residence in White Sulphur Springs, Montana. The Ringling family of circus fame purchased the home in 1910 and in 1978 it was where Ivan Doig wrote his memoir, *This House of Sky*. Sarah Calhoun of Red Ants Pants is in the process of purchasing the property from the current owner. The property includes 21 rooms and 7 baths on 4 floors, and it will be known as the Ringling Social Club and Boarding House. The Red Ants Pants Foundation will utilize space on the first floor for their Girls Leadership and Rural Institute. There will also be space for spaces for community meetings, events, and performances and pop-up businesses (such as a yoga studio, bakery, or shared workspace). The upper floor will be used as long-term rentals. Sarah Calhoun is undertaking phase one of the renovation – which consists of renovating the bathrooms on the second floor and updating the electrical system – and applying for phase two – which includes constructing a wraparound porch with an ADA ramp and applying for the National Register of Historic Places.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The Ringling Mansion is not currently listed on the National Register of Historic Places because it was a private residence. In addition, the original wraparound porch was removed several decades ago. As a result, a historic feature of the structure is missing and there is no ADA-accessible entrance to open the property to the public.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will work with the Montana Preservation Alliance to list the property on the National Register of Historic Places, allowing the use of Historic Tax Credits. Then, the proposed project will construct a wraparound porch on the Ringling Mansion with an ADA ramp, bringing the space up to code and restoring the historic character.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**Seeley Lake Historical Museum & Visitor's Center– Seeley Lake Historical Museum & Visitor's Center
History Museum (Climate Control) – Furnace Installation**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$15,000	83%
Seeley Lake Historical Museum and Visitor Center	Cash	\$3,000	17%
Project Total		\$18,000	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit Entity – History Museum

Project History – The Seeley Lake Museum and Visitor's Center was formed in 1998 through the joint efforts of four local organizations to restore the Double Arrow Ranch Barn, which had collapsed in the heavy snowfall of 1997. The organization fully restored the barn, including rebuilding the collapsed roof and relocated the structure a short distance to optimize proximity to Highway 83, a main tourism corridor. The barn is now operated as a historical museum and visitor's center to promote and interpret the area's history, attractions, and recreational opportunities. The facility also provides event space free of charge to local nonprofit organizations. The museum has added an artifact storage facility to the grounds, and in 2019 they began the reassembly of the historic Maloney Cabin on the grounds which will house period artifacts.

Identified Problem – The applicant's needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- The buildings geothermal-electric heating system is over 20 years old and experiencing increasing mechanical issues. The museum has consulted with a local mechanical systems contractor who has recommended replacement of the unit, noting the difficulty and expense of sourcing parts for the aging unit. The cost of continued repair exceeds the cost for replacing the system with a new unit.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will replace the buildings heating system with a new higher efficiency unit which includes a humidifier to better regulate temperature and humidity within the museum. The new system will provide improved climate control at a lower operating cost.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

**The Heritage Museum– *The Heritage Museum in Libby*
History Museum (Maintenance) – Roof Replacement**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$229,690	51%
The Heritage Center	Grant	\$218,438	49%
Project Total		\$448,128	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit Entity – History Museum

Project History – The Heritage Museum in Libby is housed within a 46-year-old 12-sided dodecagon that is 130 feet in diameter. The building is a single story with a 3-story high central tower, 30 feet in diameter. The building houses professionally designed exhibits and displays thousands of artifacts telling the story of the area’s history in the 1800-1900s. The building’s roof is 35 years old. The roof has been leaking, threatening exhibits and artifacts. The museum organization has been setting aside funds for roof replacement and recently obtained bids for project. The estimated cost for the project is substantially higher than the museum anticipated, requiring the sourcing of additional funding to complete the project.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- ❑ The roof was improperly installed resulting in condensation build-up and leaks which threaten the structure and the collections within.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will replace the entire roof system down to the original tongue and groove ceiling, adding in additional vapor barriers and insulation as specified by roofing contractors.

Project Status – Complete. As of September 2022, \$229,690 in grant funds have been expended and the project is 100% complete.

**Treasure County '89ers Museum Board, *Yucca Theatre in Hysham*
Historic Site (Infrastructure) – Repair Wall and Roof of the Yucca Theater**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$23,300	50%
Treasure County '89ers	General Fund	\$23,200	50%
Project Total		\$46,500	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit – Historic Site

Project History – The Yucca Theater was built in 1931 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The entire complex consists of the Yucca Theater, the Manning Home, and a museum. The interior west wall and ceiling of the Yucca Theater show moisture damage; the applicant stated that a contractor’s opinion is that moisture is getting in at the top vegga structure near the balcony wall. As a result, the surface of the wall is powdering away, and the ceiling is showing up to two feet across water spots.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Moisture damage on the interior west wall and the ceiling.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will fix the leaks and install a new roof. In addition, it will repair the west interior wall.

Project Status- Complete. As of September 2022, \$23,300 grant funds have been expended and the project is 100% complete.

**Troy Museum and Visitor Center– *Troy Museum and Visitor Center*
History Museum (Maintenance) – Install ADA Accessible Door and Complete Exhibit Building Addition**

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	\$4,904	40%
Lincoln County Community Fund	Grant	\$1,634	13%
Troy Museum and Visitor Center Donations	Cash	\$6,500	52%
Project Total		\$12,404	

Applicant Type: Non-Profit – History Museum

Project History – The Troy Museum and Visitor Center, established in 1987, needs a second entry/exit door that meets ADA accessibility requirements. The applicant notes that the main building is one of Troy’s first buildings. Additionally, the applicant wants to add an adjacent interpretive building to house donated items and be used as an exhibit building. The current building is noted as having limited space within to walk and needs more space for safety of the visitors and volunteers.

Identified Problem – The applicant’s needs include resolving the following deficiencies:

- Lack of ADA accessible entrance and lack of space in the main building.

Proposed Solution – Install an ADA accessible door and add an additional exhibit building.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2022, \$0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% done.

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Daly Mansion Preservation Trust, Inc. *Daly Mansion*

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
Senate Bill 338	Grant	\$400,000	100%

Project History – Senate Bill 338 in 2019 authorized \$400,000 in Historic Preservation funding to be used for the repair of infrastructure and maintenance needs for the Daly Mansion. The Daly Mansion used these funds to complete retaining wall restoration.

Project Status- Contracted. Completed. As of September 2022, \$400,000 in grant funds have been expended and the project is complete.

Billings Preservation Society. Moss Mansion

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
Senate Bill 338	Grant	\$400,000	100%

Project History – Senate Bill 338 in 2019 authorized \$400,000 in Historic Preservation funding to be used for the repair of infrastructure and maintenance needs for the Moss Mansion. The Moss Mansion used these funds to restore the roof, stabilize the stonework, electrical updates, patched and repainted external building, structural rehabilitation, regraded and landscaping repairs, flooring repair, window repair, and plumbing updates.

Project Status – Completed. As of September 2022, \$400,000 in grant funds have been expended and the project is complete.