WASHINGTON TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Washington's Statewide Historic Preservation Advocacy Organization



Key Grant Programs For Washington State

- Historic County Courthouse Grant Program
- Historic Cemetery Grant Program
- Historic Theater Grant Program
- Heritage Barn Grant Program
- Adapting to Sea Level Rise





HISTORIC COUNTY COURTHOUSES IN WASHINGTON











WASHINGTON STATE HISTORIC COUNTY COURTHOUSE ASSESSMENT









PREPARED FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

JUNE 2003



Historic County Courthouse Rehabilitation Grant Program

- 2003: Funds appropriated to complete a needs assessment study of county courthouses statewide.
- Determined 35 of the state's 39 county courthouses were historic.
- Estimated nearly \$94M in needed capital improvements (approximately \$48M of this need is directly related to historic, characterdefining features).

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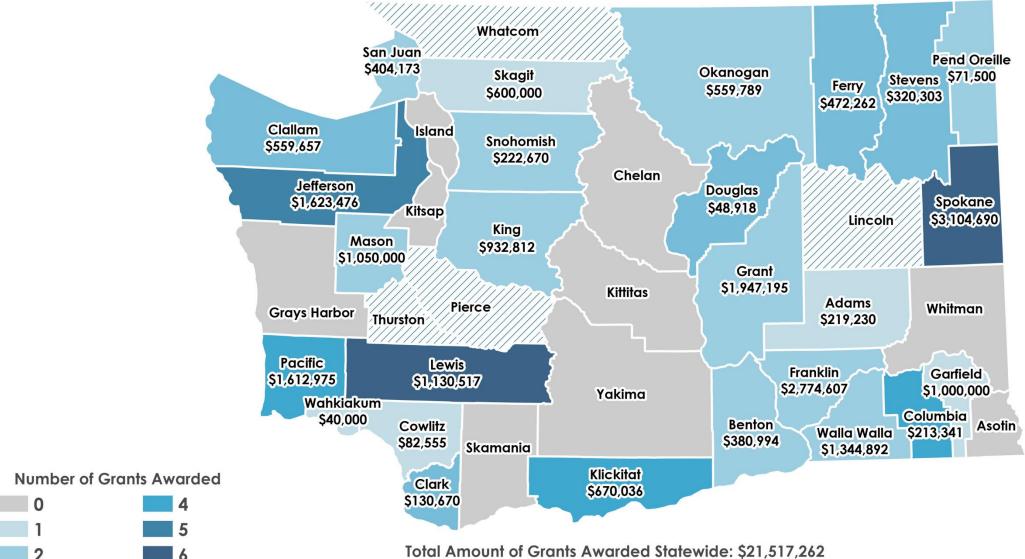
- Advocacy partnership with Washington Trust for Historic Preservation, WSAC, DAHP, legislative partners.
- 2005: \$5M allocated in the 2005-07 biennium to assist eligible counties implement courthouse rehabilitation projects.
- Program to Date: Grant funding has been awarded to 28 counties to support seventy-seven courthouse projects.
- For the 2025-27 Biennium, 14 courthouses are recommended to receive funding.



/// Not Eligible

Courthouse Grant Awards Per County

2005 - 2023





Overall Capital Investment: \$54,369,392 **Total Grants Awarded: 69**



Historic County Courthouse Rehabilitation Grant Program

Eligible Activities

- Preservation/rehabilitation of exterior and interior character defining architectural features
- Improvements to courthouse accessibility and accommodations for persons with disabilities made in conjunction with historic rehabilitation
- Seismic retrofits
- Improvements to life safety made in conjunction with historic rehabilitation
- System upgrades
- General repairs





Historic County Courthouse Rehabilitation Grant Program

Ineligible Activities

- General courthouse maintenance
- Architectural and engineering fees (such expenditures, however, may be used toward the required county match, or a portion thereof)
- Project planning (such expenditures, however, may be used for the required match, or a portion thereof)
- Lobbying
- Reduction of debts



Historic County Courthouse Rehabilitation Grant Program

Stipulations

- All work must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Rehabilitation of Historic Properties.
- 5-year *Rehabilitation* Standards compliance requirement.
- Only project elements that address **historic features** and are considered **preservation projects** are eligible for grant funds. Other project expenditures may count toward the match.
- Grant funds available on a reimbursement basis only.





Historic County Courthouse Rehabilitation Grant Program

Particulars to the Application Process

Section 6: Character Features

- Windows
- Ornamentation
- Brick Patters
- Parapets
- Columns
- Balusters
- Woodwork
- Lighting
- Materials

*Note: Maintenance not eligible



The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties



Adams County Courthouse

Rehabilitation is defined as the act or process of making possible a compatible use for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those portions or features which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.

http://www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tps/standguide/rehab/rehab index.htm



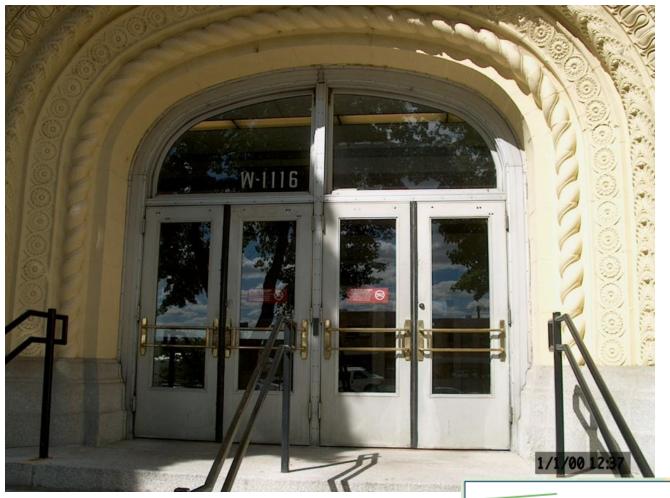
Spokane County

Willis Ritchie, Architect

1895

Rehabilitation:

Character Defining Features



Rehabilitation – character defining feature



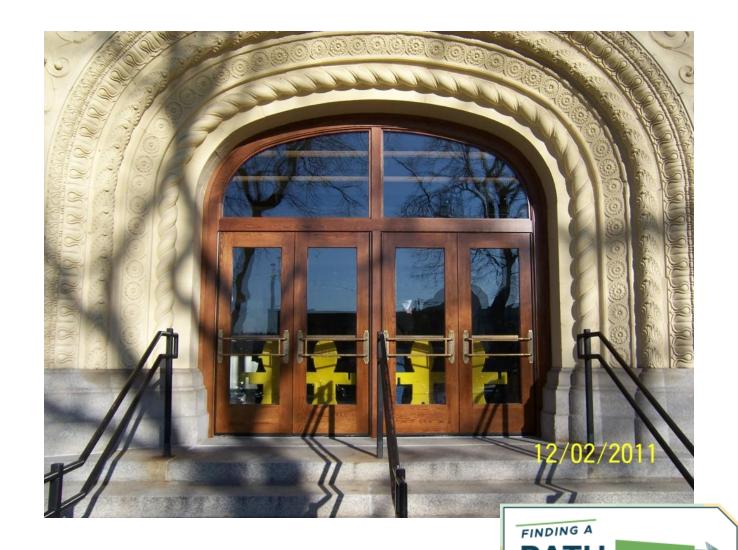
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Rehabilitation:

Character Features



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Stevens County

G.A. Pherson, Architect

1938

Rehabilitation:

Energy Efficiency



FORWARD

Stevens County - G.A. Pherson, Architect 1938

Rehabilitation: Energy Efficiency





Rehabilitation – improving efficiency

A.F. Heide, Architect

1910

Rehabilitation:

Exterior Façade





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Rehabilitation:

Exterior Façade



Rehabilitation – exterior facade



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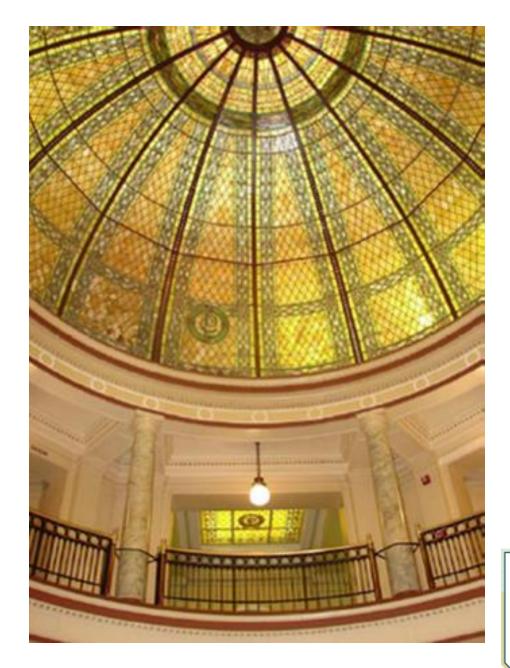
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Restoration:

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Mason County

Joseph Wohleb, Architect

1929

Rehabilitation:

Exterior Façade





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Rehabilitation:

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1929

Rehabilitation:

Accessibility



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HISTORIC CEMETERY GRANT PROGRAM HB 2637





Wenatchee Cemetery | Chelan County





ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES

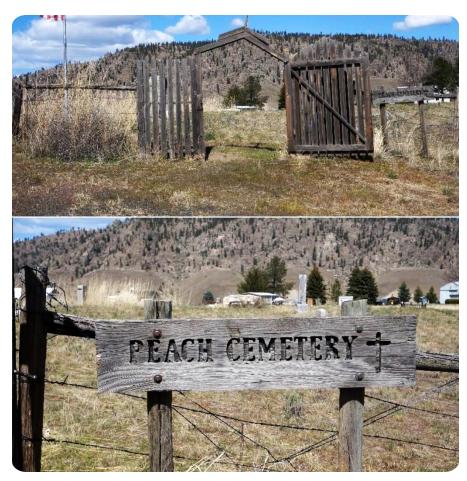
 Any cemetery containing 5 or more burials, with at least one burial more than 50 years old.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Cemetery property owners
- Nonprofit organizations
- Local governments
- Tribal Governments







Peach Cemetery | Lincoln County

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Construction, renovation or rehabilitation projects that:

- Preserve the historic character; or
- Maintain and/or improve the functions of the cemetery

PROJECT TYPES

Generally fall into one of three categories:

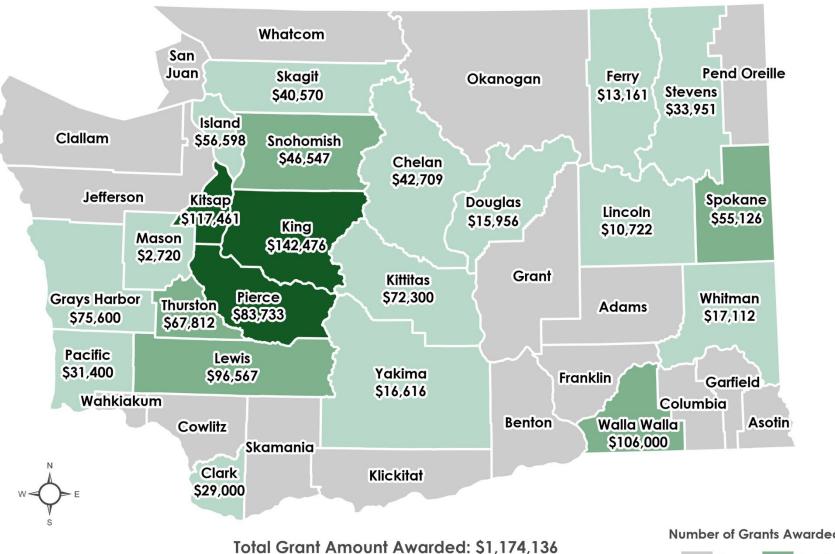
- Protection and Security
- Restoration and Preservation
- Interpretive Displays





Cemetery Grant Awards Per County

2017 - 2023



Map Created Date: February 3, 2023 Map Author: A. Hsu Total Number of Grants Awarded: 53
Total Number of Recorded Cemeteries: 3,047

Number of Grants Awarded

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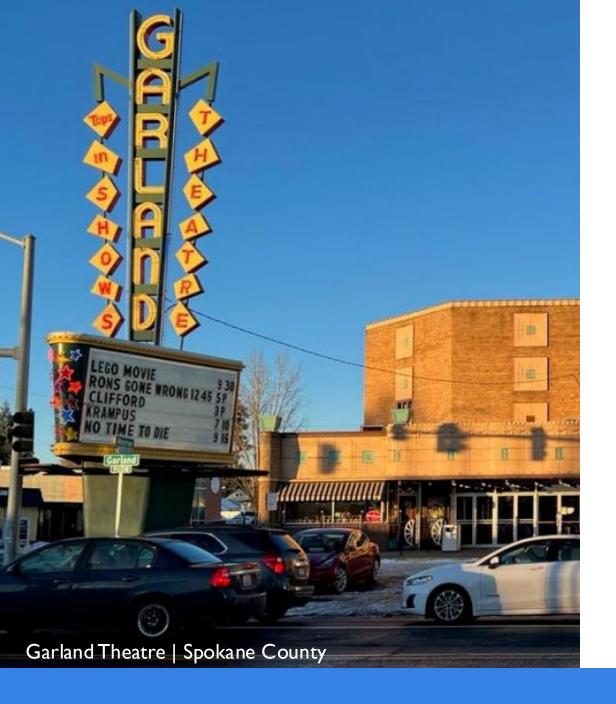


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HISTORIC THEATRE GRANT PROGRAM







DAHP THEATER SURVEY, 2008

Nearly 70% of theaters surveyed were located in rural areas

Of these, over half were in economically distressed counties

Of 80 theaters surveyed - all constructed prior to 1957 - identified physical needs totaled nearly \$38 million (\$46 million in 2020 dollars when adjusted for inflation).





7th **Street Theater** | *Hoquiam*

ELIGIBLE BUILDINGS

Funds may be requested for the stabilization and rehabilitation of theaters that are:

- Originally built as a theater
- Currently operating as or will be restored for use as a theater
- In need of capital improvement (physical repairs)
- Currently listed (or applying to be listed)
 in either the Washington Heritage
 Register or the National Register of
 Historic Places, which generally means at
 least 50 years old



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ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Funds may be requested for the stabilization and rehabilitation of theaters that are:

- Stabilization and rehabilitation of historic theater buildings
- All work must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Rehabilitation of Historic Properties
- Grants may be used to reimburse expenditures related directly to construction up to \$75,000 per project with a 50% or 1:1 match
- Theaters located in jurisdictions with a population below 50,000 or within distressed counties as defined by the Employment Security Department, may apply with a 25% or 1:3 match.

Lincoln Theater | *Mount Vernon*





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HERITAGE BARN REGISTER & REHABILITATION GRANTS







ELIGIBLE BUILDINGS

- Currently listed in either the Washington Heritage Barn Register or the National Register of Historic Places, and
- In need of substantial repair

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

- Up to \$75,000 in grant funds to support stabilization of historic barns and related agricultural buildings
- Work that preserves the historic character, features, and materials of eligible building
- All work must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation
- One-to-one grant match ratio

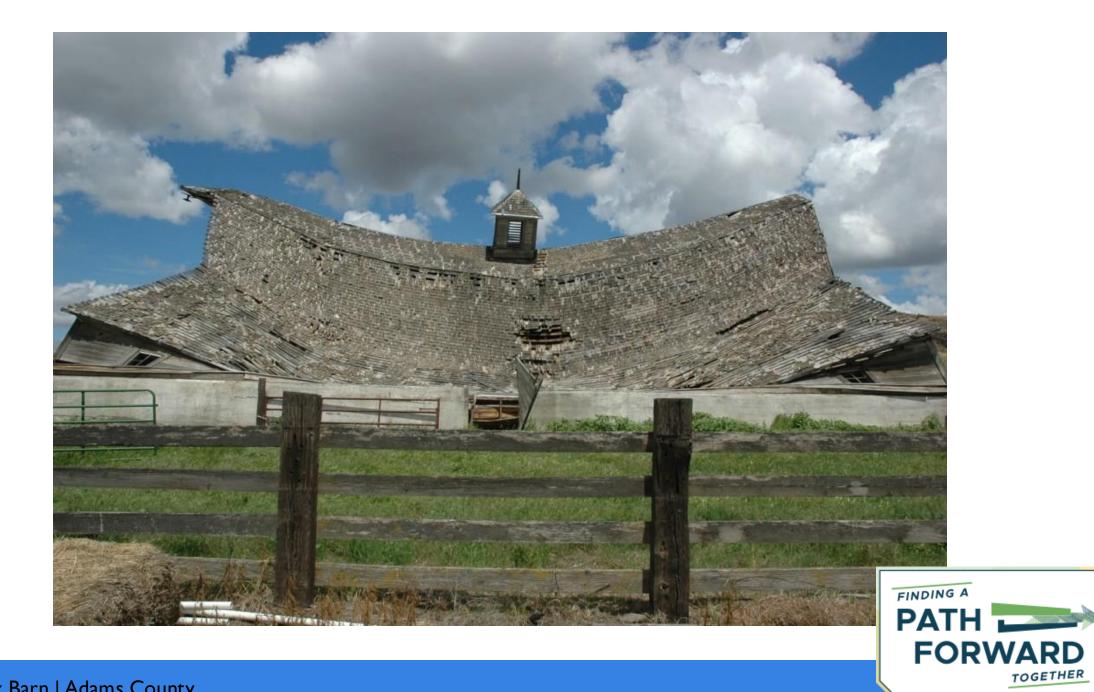








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CLIMATE RESILIENCY

GRANTS TO SUPPORT ADAPTING TO SEA LEVEL RISE







- Currently listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places
- Property must be rurally located population under 50,000
- Approximately \$650,000 in grant funds to support building adaptation for sea level rise
- All work must comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation
- Match requirement: anticipated to be 50% of grant award (maybe reduced match for distressed
- Eligible applicants include private owners, non-profits, Tribal governments and local governments
- Launch in fall 2025













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Questions?





