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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 eligible 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 February 28th or 29th 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 eight 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, (f) Ongoing and Future State Economic Benefit, (g) Local Contribution, and (h) Anticipated Public Benefit.

Commerce received 74 grant applications for consideration of 2027 Biennium MHPG funding, requesting $25,793,249 in funds.

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 (TAC) and the State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) to develop the final recommendations. The total possible points available for projects in the 2027 Biennium ranking was 1,200 and did result in ties between projects as shown in the information contained in this document.

Commerce determined that 63 grant applications were eligible for consideration of 2027 Biennium MHPG funding, requesting $22,996,085 in funds for the following project types: 53 historic sites, 10 history museums, and 0 historical society projects (although 1 historic site project is administered by a historical society). 6 of the history museums are also historic sites.

On pages 1-4 of this document, Commerce provided one list of all 63 project applications eligible for the 2027 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 recommends a total of 17 projects to be funded in HB 12 at the amounts shown below, for a total project grant appropriation of $6,229,375. Additional projects could be contingently funded if revenues become available. 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 69th 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.

Project Number	Applicant	Project	County	Grant Request	Total Project Cost	Cumulative Grant Request	Rank
1	Carter County Geological Society	Carter County Museum	Carter	$500,000	$1,500,000	$500,000	1
2	Lincoln County	Yaak Community Hall	Lincoln	$168,000	$210,000	$668,000	2
3	Missoula Local Government Building Special District	John Engen Building	Missoula	$498,800	$623,800	$1,166,800	2
4	Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art	Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art	Cascade	$356,377	$445,472	$1,523,177	4
5	Lincoln School Foundation	Lincoln School	Park	$364,980	$633,591	$1,888,157	5
6	Moleo Media Group, LLC	KPRK Building	Gallatin	$500,000	$784,503	$2,388,157	6
7	Lavina Public Schools	Historic Lavina School	Golden Valley	$398,128	$497,660	$2,786,285	7
8	Copper Village Museum and Arts Center	Copper Village Museum and Arts Center	Anaconda-Deer Lodge	$233,000	$291,250	$3,019,285	8
9	Metagabbro LLC	Red Lodge Pea Cannery and Brewery Building	Carbon	$500,000	$1,301,406	$3,519,285	8
10	Yellowstone Art Museum	Yellowstone Art Museum Main Building	Yellowstone	$328,000	$410,000	$3,847,285	8
11	Fountain Terrace Condominiums, Inc	Fountain Terrace Condominiums	Fergus	$500,000	$750,100	$4,347,285	11
12	Madison County	Octagonal Pavilion	Madison	$500,000	$1,392,645	$4,847,285	11
13	Friends of the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula	St. Michael's Church	Missoula	$114,492	$143,115	$4,961,777	13
14	Hamilton, City of	Historic Hamilton Town Hall	Ravalli	$305,607	$382,009	$5,267,384	13
15	Peace Valley Partnership, LLC	Boulder Hot Springs Bathhouse	Jefferson	$500,000	$600,000	$5,767,384	15
WITHDRAWN 16	Northern Rockies Heritage Center	Building 27	Missoula	$300,791	$373,989	$6,068,175	16

17	Powell County Museum and Arts Foundation, Inc.	W.A. Clark Jr. Prison Theater at the Old Montana Prison in Deer Lodge	Powell	$161,200	$201,500	$6,229,375	16
18	Little Big Horn College	Apsaalooke Center for Culture and History	Big Horn	$500,000	$625,000	$6,729,375	18
19	Hill County	Hill County Courthouse	Hill	$500,000	$2,250,000	$7,229,375	19
20	Friends of Historic Hotel Libby	Historic Hotel Libby	Lincoln	$500,000	$743,361	$7,729,375	20
21	Madison County	Thompson-Hickman Memorial Building	Madison	$500,000	$857,000	$8,229,375	20
22	Shelby, City of	Historic Shelby High	Toole	$500,000	$8,378,363	$8,729,375	20
WITHDRAWN 23	Dawson County	Glendive Public Library	Dawson	$79,011	$153,511	$8,808,386	23
24	Sandstone Preservation Community	Sandstone and Cobblestone Schools Complex	Stillwater	$500,000	$655,000	$9,308,386	23
25	Mathson Design, LLC	The Recording Center	Missoula	$50,000	$74,660	$9,358,386	25
26	Jefferson County	State School for the Deaf and Blind "Cottage 5"/Jefferson County Health Department	Jefferson	$500,000	$3,000,000	$9,858,386	26
27	Treasure County 89ers, Inc.	Yucca Theatre	Treasure	$145,000	$174,000	$10,003,386	26
28	St. Peter's Episcopal Cathedral of Helena	St. Peter's Episcopal Cathedral	Lewis & Clark	$250,000	$520,000	$10,253,386	26
29	Anaconda-Deer Lodge County	Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Courthouse	Anaconda-Deer Lodge	$400,000	$550,000	$10,653,386	29
30	National Affordable Housing Network	Phoenix Building	Butte-Silver Bow	$500,000	$2,600,000	$11,153,386	29
31	Community Thrift LLC	Kalispell Community Thrift/Scandinavian Methodist Church	Flathead	$240,000	$288,500	$11,393,386	31
32	Granite County Museum & Cultural Center	Granite County Museum & Cultural Center	Granite	$500,000	$1,304,000	$11,893,386	32

33	Kalispell, City of	Kalispell Train Depot Building	Flathead	$286,337	$357,922	$12,179,723	32
34	MSTB, LLC	Mountain States Telephone Building	Custer	$500,000	$1,230,000	$12,679,723	34
35	Miles City Convent Keepers	Miles City Convent Keepers Community Center	Custer	$434,226	$542,783	$13,113,949	35
36	Blarney Ranch, LLC	Fortin Ranch House	Lincoln	$500,000	$600,000	$13,613,949	36
37	Headwaters RC&D Area, Inc. on behalf of S-Team LLC	Butte Steam Plant Event Center	Butte-Silver Bow	$500,000	$769,000	$14,113,949	35
38	Livingston Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge 246	Livingston Elks Lodge	Park	$500,000	$5,224,863	$14,613,949	36
39	Native American Development Corporation	Shrine Auditorium	Yellowstone	$500,000	$3,300,000	$15,113,949	39
40	Seeley Lake Historical Society	Maclean Icehouse	Missoula	$10,000	$28,000	$15,123,949	39
41	Friends of the Historic Adams Hotel	Adams Hotel	Golden Valley	$200,000	$240,000	$15,323,949	41
42	Lewis & Clark County	Lewis & Clark County Courthouse	Lewis & Clark	$500,000	$995,853	$15,823,949	42
43	World Museum of Mining	St. Patrick's Mission	Butte-Silver Bow	$173,040	$210,000	$15,996,989	42
44	Anaconda Restoration Association	The Montana Hotel	Anaconda-Deer Lodge	$100,746	$142,724	$16,097,735	44
45	Pi House Corporation of Delta Gamma	Pi Chapter Delta Gamma House	Missoula	$240,000	$300,000	$16,337,735	45
46	Montana Building Condominium Association (MBCA)	The Montana Building	Missoula	$481,920	$602,400	$16,819,655	46
47	Urban Renewal Associates, LLC	Penwell Building	Missoula	$500,000	$1,353,913	$17,319,655	47
48	Anaconda Benevolent Protective Order of Elks Lodge 239	Anaconda Elks Club	Anaconda-Deer Lodge	$429,000	$459,000	$17,748,655	48

49	Sidney Yellowstone Merc, LLC	Yellowstone Perc	Richland	$500,000	$890,000	$18,248,655	49
50	West Valley Property, LLC	Superior Schoolhouse	Missoula	$500,000	$1,295,000	$18,748,655	50
51	Libby Lofts, LLC	Historic Libby High School/Libby Lofts	Lincoln	$500,000	$709,000	$19,248,655	51
52	333 Skyline LLC	Historic Montgomery Ward Building	Flathead	$500,000	$2,200,000	$19,748,655	52
53	Billings Depot, Inc.	Billings Depot Caboose	Yellowstone	$236,000	$295,000	$19,984,655	53
54	West Yellowstone, Town of	Union Pacific Dining Lodge	Gallatin	$500,000	$1,130,000	$20,484,655	53
55	Prairie County Museum & Evelyn Cameron Gallery, Inc.	Prairie County Museum & Evelyn Cameron Gallery	Prairie	$72,478	$89,011	$20,557,133	55
56	Downtowner Group, LLC	Downtowner Building	Gallatin	$273,000	$342,000	$20,830,133	56
57	Basin, Inc.	The Red Barn at Hagerman Ranch	Sweet Grass	$228,800	$286,000	$21,058,933	57
58	Golden Triangle Development, LLC	Project 400	Pondera	$378,167	$472,709	$21,437,100	58
59	Villa Theatre Foundation	Villa Theatre	Phillips	$500,000	$600,000	$21,937,100	59
60	Brooks Adventures, LLC DBA RB Drive-In	RB Drive-In	Lewis & Clark	$109,035	$136,294	$22,046,135	60
61	Homeword, Inc.	Lenox Flats, LLC	Missoula	$188,330	$235,630	$22,234,465	61
62	Yellowstone Gateway Museum Foundation	Yellowstone Gateway Museum of Park County	Park	$499,620	$604,620	$22,734,085	61
63	Lonesome Prairie Properties, LLC	Main Street Building	Wheatland	$232,000	$290,000	$22,966,085	63

Montana Historic Preservation Grant (MHPG)
Recommended Projects - 2027 Biennium

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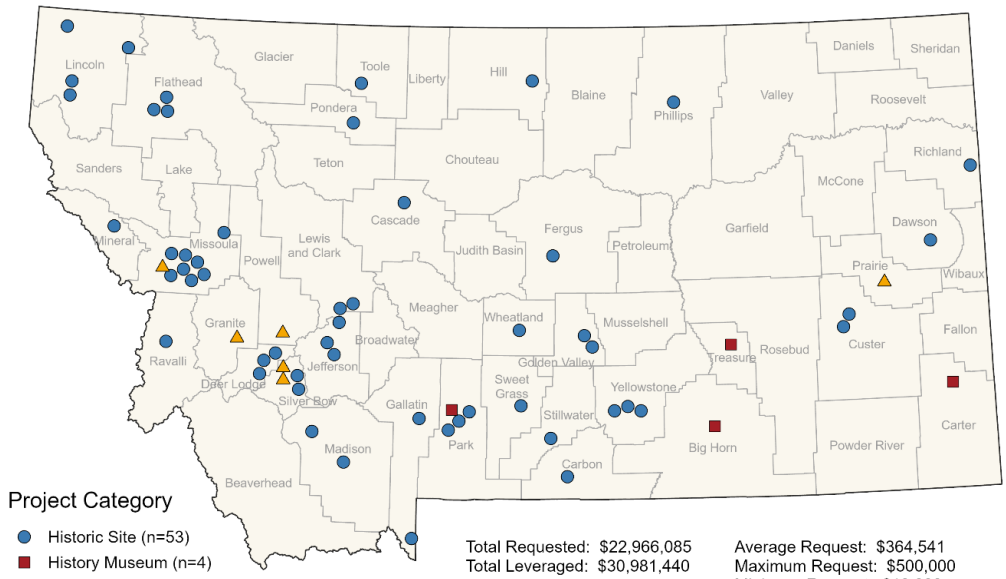

Project Category

- Historic Site (n=53)
- History Museum (n=4)
- History Museum, Historic Site (n=6)

Total Requested: $22,966,085
Total Leveraged: $30,981,440

Average Request: $364,541
Maximum Request: $500,000
Minimum Request: $10,000

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Recommended Projects- 2027 Biennium

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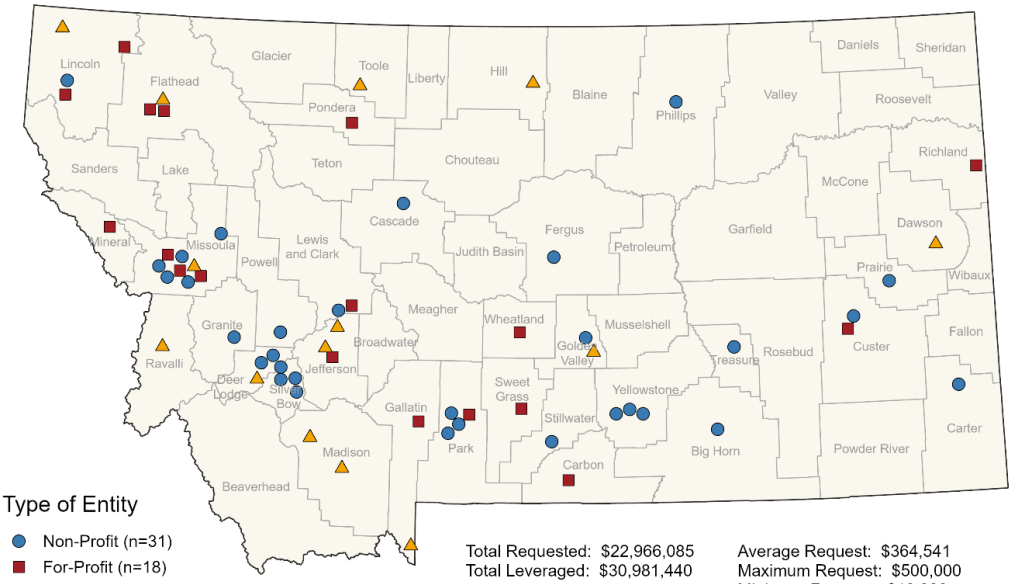

Type of Entity

- Non-Profit (n=31)
- For-Profit (n=18)
- Government (n=14)

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Project No. 1 Carter County Geological Society, *Carter County Museum*
Renovation and expansion of museum to create a new entrance, lobby, reception area, restrooms, and increased exhibition spaces.

This application received 1,175 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 1 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of legislature
Carter County Geological Society	Cash	$150,000	Confirmed
Carter County Geological Society	Cash	$850,000	Currently fundraising
Project Total		**$1,500,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; History Museum

Project History – In 1936, the Carter County Geological Society (CCGS) founded the Carter County Museum (CCM)--using the basement of the Carter County High School for the first public display of dinosaur fossils in Montana. In the 1970s, CCGS purchased a 5,800 square-foot 1926 building constructed by a local stonemason to house the museum and added a tower and petrified wood archways. Currently, the museum building sits on a triangular lot that includes a one-room schoolhouse, homestead, planetarium, heritage orchard, and native plant garden. As the CCGS's collection of artifacts and fossils has expanded, so has their visitation, educational programming, and fossil collection and preservation activities. CCM is proposing to renovate and expand the museum to deliver engaging exhibits, quality programs, and community benefits. Currently, due to space restrictions, only 10% of the collection is on display. If awarded, the applicant intends to use MHPG funds to complete the first stage of the renovation (focused on the existing building) in a timely fashion, thus allowing for the existing museum to remain open and functional as the expansion is completed.

Identified Problem – The applicant's needs include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Only 10% of the museum's collection is viewable. The remaining 90% is in off-site storage due to lack of adequate exhibition and storage space at the museum.
- The current museum does not have adequate space to accommodate the necessary staff and volunteers.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Renovate the existing building by:
  - Reinforcing roof trusses
  - Installing an HVAC system
  - Installing museum-quality lighting
  - Installing industry standard storage and exhibition solutions
- Expand the existing building by 15,000 square feet, utilizing available land space in order to:
  - Create a new entrance, lobby, reception area, and restrooms
  - Add additional exhibition spaces
  - Add museum support space for laboratories, offices, collections storage areas, and mechanical spaces

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

Project No. 2 Lincoln County, *Yaak Community Hall*

Structural repairs to the Yaak Community Hall building, including reinforcements to concrete foundation and installation of floor joists and plywood decking to reinforce the floor.

This application received 1,150 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 2 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$168,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Local Fundraising	Cash	$13,000	Pending
Volunteer Hours/Labor	In-Kind	$8,000	Pending
Volunteer Houts/Grant Admin	In-Kind	$4,000	Committed
Yaak Women's Club	Contribution	$6,000	Committed
Private Foundations	Grants	$5,000	Pending
Heart of the Rockies Initiative	Contribution	$5,000	Committed
Lincoln County	In-Kind	$1,000	Pending
Project Total		**$210,000**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – The Yaak Community Hall (YCH) was built in 1925 by local homesteaders. The building stands on U.S. Forest Service Property and has operated on a special use permit since 1925. The YCH Board is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the building. Currently, the Yaak community Hall functions as an event space, training facility, emergency shelter facility, and food pantry. Since its construction, the building has required minimal maintenance beyond roof repairs and upgrades to the electrical system. Currently, however, the floor has begun to bow, limiting the amount of safe space available for public use. The bowing is caused by a lack of a foundation under the flooring and moisture seeping into the lower building logs, causing rot in spots. The YCH Board is seeking support to rehabilitate the building by providing support to the exterior of the building as well as reinforcing the flooring inside to prevent future bowing.

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

- Floor is bowing due to lack of foundation and water seepage.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Pour concrete footings and an 8" thick concrete wall foundation
- Remove and replace exterior logs damaged by rot
- Install floor joists and plywood decking
- Repair or replace damaged floorboards

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards. The applicant has also consulted with SHPO.

Project No. 3 Missoula Local Government Building Special District, *John Engen Building*
Upgrades to the John Engen Local Government Building to ensure ADA compliance and restore existing historic features at building entrances.

This application received 1,150 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 2 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$498,800	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
City of Missoula	Cash	$62,500	Confirmed
Missoula County	Cash	$62,500	Confirmed
Project Total		**$623,800**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – Designed in the Italian Renaissance Revival style and constructed over a series of construction phases between 1913 and 1952, the 12,000 square-foot John Engen Building (formerly the Missoula Federal Building) is located within the East Pine Street National Historic District, abuts the Missoula Downtown Historic District, and has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1979. For almost 100 years, most of the building hosted the USDA Forest Service Region One. Since 2015, however, the building has stood largely vacant, apart from the U.S. Post Office, which has occupied part of the building for over 110 years. In January of 2023, the United States transferred ownership of the building to Missoula County and the City of Missoula. The plan is to rehabilitate the structure to house both City and County offices and services, as both entities have outgrown their current facilities. Once completed, the building will house approximately 400 FTEs in downtown Missoula.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- The structure demonstrates universal access deficiencies at two primary entrances in the northwest corner of the 1938 North Annex portion of the historic building.
- Historic lighting features at the five building entrances were modified and detract from the historic integrity of the building while also providing insufficient and inconsistent lighting.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Correct ADA accessibility deficiencies at the two northwest corner public entrances.
- Restore and reconstruct 1938-era character defining features, including 12 exterior light fixtures located at the five entrances of the building to provide consistent and sufficient lighting.

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

Project No. 4 Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art

Proposed work includes three rehabilitation projects: the building of two climate-controlled vaults to house the permanent collection, the replacement of the floor in Classroom 18, and the installation of new window shades to preserve the historic integrity of the wood.

This application received 1,145 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 4 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$356,377	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art	Cash	$43,745	Committed
TD&H Engineering	In-Kind Donation	$2,000	Confirmed
LPW Architecture	In-Kind Donation	$1,350	Confirmed
Treacy Foundation	Grant	$41,000	Pending on Grant Application, but received approval to apply for grant again as matching funds for MHPG
Big Sky National Heritage Area	Grant	$1,000	Pending
Project Total		**$445,472**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art operates out of the historic Central School building in Great Falls. The 44,000 sq. foot Romanesque-style building was built in 1896 and operated as a school until 1975. The building is independently listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The building was renovated in 1977 for its current use as an art museum, cultural center, and educational space. The museum hosts approximately 30,000 visitors a year and serves over 1,200 people with its education programs. In 2023, the museum was awarded MHPG funding for bat exclusion and window repair. Upon repairing the windows and excluding the bats, the museum intends to continue with climate control and health and safety projects.

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

- A 2023 assessment identified the urgent need for a temperature and humidity-controlled environment for the museum's permanent collection, as well as the need to address temperature, humidity, and ultraviolet light issues in the permanent collection storage space.
- The 2023 assessment also highlighted the need for UV protectant on all the exterior windows in the building not only to protect the collection of artworks but to protect architectural features of the building's interior as well, including the wood windowsills, hardwood flooring, and wainscoting.
- The central beam supporting the floor in Classroom 18 is elevating upwards, causing cracks in the flooring and an uneven surface. The heaving has become detrimental for students with mobility issues, and the situation threatens the classroom's ADA compliance, the overall structural integrity of the classroom, and the economic viability of the museum's education program.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Install aesthetically appropriate roller window shades on 81 windows
- Build two climate-controlled vaults to house the museum's permanent collection
- Replace the floor's structural support in Classroom 18 and install new flooring

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

Project No. 5 Lincoln School Foundation, *Lincoln School*

Upgrades and repairs to the Lincoln School, including boiler replacement, restoration of character-defining Renaissance Revival architectural features (building's three entryways and Tudor-inspired masonry), installation of 84 storm windows to protect original, single-pane windows, and replacement of damaged or compromised windows.

This application received 1,130 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 5 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$364,980	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Livingston Urban Renewal Agency Grant	Grant	$100,000	Confirmed
Lincoln School Foundation	Capital Reserve	$78,611	Confirmed
Give-a-Hoot Fundraising	Donations	$50,000	Pending
Park County Community Foundation Grant	Grant	$20,000	Pending
Lincon School Foundation Board	In-Kind	$20,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$633,591**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The 1914 Renaissance Revival Lincoln School building is located in Historic Downtown Livingston, a district recognized by the National Register of Historic Places. The building's character defining features include a low-pitched roof hidden by parapet walls, decorative cornices, and arched entryways. From 1915 to 1974, the three-story building served as a center of education and civic engagement, and also met emergent community needs (including serving as an auxiliary hospital during the 1918 Spanish Flu pandemic). In 1984, the Lincoln School was repurposed to meet community needs, and it served as a courthouse while the new City-County building was being constructed. Currently, the building houses 29 affordable workspaces supporting 6 non-profit organizations and 21 local businesses.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Boiler failure.
- ❑ Deteriorating façade.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- ❑ Replace the boiler system
- ❑ Restore parapets and exterior paint
- ❑ Install storm windows and replace damaged or compromised windows
- ❑ Update Entryways

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and fully addressed rehabilitation for windows, mechanical systems, and masonry.

Project No. 6 Moleo Media Group, LLC, *KPRK Building*

Restore KPRK's structural integrity by repairing structural damage, preserving original features, and implementing modern amenities. Proposed exterior and interior infrastructure restoration, including repairs to foundation and installation of fire and climate control systems.

This application received 1,125 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 6 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Moleo Media Group, LLC	Cash	$284,503	Confirmed
Project Total		**$784,503**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1946, the KPRK building is located near one of the main entrances into Livingston and was designed as a futuristic Art Modern style building. From 1946-2008, building ownership was limited to two families, and during these decades KPRK served as a the “voice of Park County.” In 1978, the building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places under the ownership of veteran Montana broadcaster Bill Holter. In 2008, the building was sold to a non-local owner, and all KPRK broadcasts and activities ceased. From 2008-2022, the building was vacant and suffered from vandalism and, most recently, severe water damage due to the 2022 flooding of the Yellowstone River. Following the flood, the building was sold to a local owner who immediately began working to mitigate further damage to the structure by, for example, raising the building 27 inches above the current flood plain and removing the rounded vestibule and iconic whimsical radio tower for restoration. Future plans include restoring the building to address critical infrastructure needs and updating safety codes. Upon completion, KPRK will serve as a functional, community-oriented radio station and will once again host the Emergency Alert System (EAS) for the region.

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

- Cracking exterior siding and peeling exterior paint.
- Need for a new foundation following the raising of the structure above the flood plain level.
- Damaged and/or deteriorating doors and windows.
- Outdated plumbing and electrical systems.
- Non-compliant fire suppressions system.
- Deteriorating historic features.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Installation of a new foundation
- Repairs to the exterior siding
- Window and door repair and replacement
- Upgrades to the plumbing and electrical systems
- Upgrades to the fire suppression system
- Restoration of character-defining features, including the vestibule and radio tower

Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards, and they are working directly with SHPO to ensure the renovations preserve the historic integrity of the building.

Condition - *If awarded the applicant must provide a more detailed scope of work.*

Project No. 7 Lavina Public Schools, *Historic Lavina School*

Excavation of foundation of historic Lavina School, paired with water proofing of exterior walls and the construction of a perimeter drain system. Installation of gutters, down spouts, and minor grading to move water away from the foundation.

This application received 1,100 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 7 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$398,128	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Lavina School Board	Cash	$99,532	Committed
Project Total		**$497,660**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – The Lavina School was built in 1919 and since then has served the town as well as the surrounding area of Golden County as the center for Pre-K-12th grade education. The building combines the Chicago School and America's early 20th century commercial styles, and independently listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Currently, the building is structurally sound, but the concrete foundation is suffering from degradation due to high groundwater and flooding resulting from an increase in storm-related events. The applicant intends to address the degradation and prevent future structural issues by excavating the foundation, waterproofing the exterior walls, constructing a drain system, installing gutters and down spouts, and completing minor grading to direct water away from the structure.

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

- Foundation degradation.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Excavate the foundation
- Waterproof exterior walls
- Construct a perimeter drain system
- Install gutters, down spouts, and minor grading

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

Project No. 8 Copper Village Museum and Arts Center, *Copper Village Museum and Arts Center*
Installation of heating and cooling infrastructure on the second floor of the old Anaconda City Hall building.

This application received 1,075 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 8 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$233,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Copper Village Museum Certificate of Deposit	Cash	$35,750	Secured
Matching Funds spent on previous phase of project	Cash	$22,500	Confirmed
Project Total		**$291,250**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site/History Museum

Project History – The old Anaconda City Hall was constructed in 1896 and operated as the joint location of city office and fire hall for many decades. The building, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, reflects an eclectic blend of Roman and Romanesque style arches, Moorish 'keyhole' windows, Gothic tracery and a Chateau-esque style roof. The structure was slated for demolition in the 1980s but was spared through efforts of the Copper Village and Tri-County Historical Society. The building comprises three floors and an attic. The building's basement and main floor were rehabilitated in 1985, and 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. During the 2023 legislative session (2025 Biennium), the applicant was awarded MHPG funding for the expansion of the fire suppression and alarm system into the first, second, and attic floors of the building. At the time of this review, the grantee has entered into a contract with IT&M Division for the design of the fire suppression system and is anticipating an October 2024 completion date for the project.

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

- Currently, the second story of the building cannot be utilized for consistent events and performances due to inadequate climate control

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will

- Install a functional heating and cooling system so that the applicant can proceed towards the goal of converting a large space on the second floor into an event/performance space for community use

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

Project No. 9 Metagabbro LLC, *Red Lodge Pea Cannery and Brewery Building*
Installation of safety and accessibility features, including code-approved stairways, sprinklers, fire alarm system, and elevator.

This application received 1,075 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 8 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Owner	Cash	$801,406	Committed
Project Total		**$1,301,406**	

Applicant type – For Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Red Lodge Pea Cannery and Brewery Building was constructed as the Red Lodge Brewing Company in 1910 and serves as an example of the Montana brewery architecture that culminated in the early 20th century pre-Prohibition years. The original masonry building was constructed of locally manufactured Fromberg brick. The building displays elements of Italian Renaissance Revival, Romanesque Revival, and Richardsonian Romanesque style while incorporating the individual preferences of the Montana architectural firm and their client, Julius Lehrkind, the beer baron from Bozeman. In 1925, the building was converted into a Pea Cannery which remained in operation until 1975. As part of the conversion, the cannery owners constructed a three-story wood addition in 1927. Following the closure of the cannery, the building was used as a machine shop for years before being rendered vacant. The building's vacant status led to significant deterioration and neglect. The current owner has invested $800,000 in building updates so far and has outlined plans to repurpose the building as a public art space with a bookstore and coffeeshop on site. The building is individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Building lacks code and safety features

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Add code-approved stairways, sprinklers, fire alarm system, and an elevator.

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

Project No. 10 Yellowstone Art Museum, *Yellowstone Art Museum Main Building*
Reroofing of portion of Yellowstone Art Museum's main building by removing tiles, installing new substrate, reinstalling tiles, and installing mortar.

This application received 1,075 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 8 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$328,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Fortin Foundation	Grant	$82,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$410,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Yellowstone Art Museum (YAM) is a 37,000 square foot building on a central corridor in Billings. The Museum houses and exhibits over 3,500 pieces of artwork and includes the most extensive public collection of artworks and archival items from the Western artist and author Will James. The YAM building is composed of the original brick 1884 Yellowstone County jail building, a 1914 remodel, and a major modern addition constructed in 1998. Currently, the 1884 building houses approximately one-third of the museum, and its original facade comprises the backdrop of the museum lobby and is visible from the main thoroughfare. The signature red tile roof dates to the 1950s and retains the same design as the original building. In 2020, the Southeast corner of the roof was replaced due to a leakage.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Though continually maintained, the roof has not been fully repaired since the YAM acquired the original 1884 jail building from Yellowstone County in 1964.
- Currently, most of the roof is deteriorating and leaking onto the second floor of the 1884 portion of the building.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Remove and replace the roof's batten grid system, felt, EPDM, and failed substrates
- Reinstall usable original tiles and replace broken tiles

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant did consider the SOI standards, as they intend to reuse or restore historic materials when possible while replacing with in-kind when needed.

Project No. 11 Fountain Terrace Condominiums, Inc, *Fountain Terrace Condominiums*
Exterior restoration and preservation, including masonry repair and new fire escapes to comply with updated fire code.

This application received 1,050 out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 11 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Fountain Terrace Condominiums Inc	Cash Reserves (expended)	$250,100	Spent 8/2023
Project Total		**$750,100**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Build in 1903, the Saint Joseph's Hospital in Lewistown was decommissioned in the 1970s and renovated into condominiums in the 1980s. Currently, the 105,607 square foot sandstone structure includes 40 single-family units, and most of the residents are over 65 years old. The building also houses a popular public meeting space located in the historic chapel, complete with original stained glass and marble. Short- and long-term maintenance funds for the property have been largely depleted, and masonry cracks have rendered climate control expensive. In 2023, the interior fire emergency/alarm system was updated, but additional updates are required for fire code compliance.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Mortar deterioration is affecting the structural integrity of the exterior walls, as evidenced by crumbling and signs of water intrusion
- Masonry cracks are impacting the ability to regulate the climate of the building, resulting in higher energy costs and inefficient use of resources
- The existing wooden fire escapes are combustible and detaching from the exterior, and are thus out of compliance with the current fire code
- Fire alarm system is outdated and in need of replacement

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:
- Exterior masonry repair
- Installation of code-compliant fire escapes
- Replacement of fire alarm system (completed)

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

Project No. 12 Madison County, *Octagonal Pavilion*

Renovation of the Octagonal Pavilion at the Fairgrounds. Proposed work includes the installation of water and sewer lines and the construction of a catering kitchen, restrooms, and storage facilities.

This application received 1,050 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 11 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Madison County	ARPA Funds	$500,000	Confirmed
Madison County Fair Foundation	Cash/Donation	$392,645	Confirmed
Project Total		**$1,392,645**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – The Madison County Pavilion and Fairgrounds are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and the Octagonal Pavilion is one of 15 structures which contribute to the historic significance of the overall property. The Pavilion was constructed in 1936 as part of the Works Progress Administration WPA project. Tosten Stenburg, well-known for his work on large log structures in Montana, directed the construction of the 100-foot diameter, 54-ft tall, open floorplan building. The Pavilion demonstrates continuity of use, as it currently hosts county fair functions and community assemblies, as well as wedding receptions, family reunions, craft shows, etc.

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

- Absence of an indoor restroom facilities.
- Disrepair of chinking.
- Outdated electrical system.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Add a column and footing below the center of the lower/outer timber truss bottom chord
- Re-grade the site to drain water away from the building
- Replace deteriorating elements of the portico framing
- Install water and sewer lines
- Upgrade the electrical system
- Construct catering kitchen, restrooms, and storage facilities

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards. The applicant also consulted with the State Historic Preservation Office.

Project No. 13 Friends of the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula, *St. Michael's Church*
Repair and replacement of rotten logs, replacement of roof and windows, and upgrades to front porch and ADA ramp of St. Michael's Church.

This application received 1,045 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 13 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$114,492	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Friends of Historical Museum Annual Fund	Fundraiser	$20,000	Pending Fall 2024
Friends of Historical Museum Missoula Gives Campaign	Fundraiser	$8,623	Pending Spring 2025
Project Total		**$143,115**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; History Museum/Historical Site

Project History – Hellgate Village was established as a trading post in western Montana in 1860. St. Michael's Church was constructed as a log building in 1863 to serve the residents of the village. It was the first church built solely for settlers in the area. The church was used until 1870 when the local population moved to nearby Missoula Mills. The church has been relocated three times and in 1981 was moved to the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula, where it currently resides as one of 43 structures on the 32-acre campus. Since that time, St. Michael's has been open to the public but has not undergone preservation or restoration efforts. It is now the only remaining structure from Hellgate Village and the oldest building in Missoula County. The proposed project aims to return St. Michael's to its original 1863 appearance while also adding ADA improvements.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Rotting logs.
- Weathered roof.
- Historically inaccurate windows were installed in the 1980s.
- Front porch and railing are failing.
- 1980s ADA ramp does not meet modern standards.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Remove and repair/replace rotten logs
- Oil the entire structure
- Replace daubing, windows, and roof to restore historic integrity
- Replace the porch and railing and add ADA compliant ramp

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

Project No. 14 Hamilton City of, *Historic Hamilton Town Hall*
Exterior renovation of Historic Hamilton Town Hall including window replacement and restoration; east entrance door replacement and restoration; rusticated base restoration; east entrance stair restoration; and selective landscaping to remove concrete hardscape and soils.

This application received 1045 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 13 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$305,607	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
City of Hamilton	Cash	$76,402	Confirmed
Project Total		**$382,009**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1906, the Hamilton Town Hall is an example of early 20th century architecture and workmanship. Independently listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Historic Hamilton Town Hall is a two-story load-bearing brick structure set on a raised foundation. Character defining features of the building include the low-pitched hipped roof, extended cornice and bracketed eaves, rectangular building form, rusticated dressed stone foundation, and classical detailing. For decades, the building housed city government offices, the volunteer fire department and equipment, and the first public library for the City of Hamilton. In the 1940s, the fire department modified the building and added brick masonry garage. In the 1990s, the City Hall offices were relocated, and the building was again adapted to better accommodate the fire department equipment. In 2023, the Volunteer Fire Department relocated to its new facility, leaving the Historic Hamilton Town Hall vacant. The proposed project is to begin rehabilitating the building so that it can once again serve as the co-location for the Hamilton City Hall and library.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Exterior deterioration and inclusion of non-historic elements.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Replace and restore windows
- Replace the east entrance door
- Restore the east entrance stairs, including the removal of non-code compliant features
- Remove concrete hardscape and soils adjacent to the south and east building foundations
- Restore the rusticated base
- Clean and repoint the stone foundation

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and intends to hire a historic preservation architect to facilitate the project.

Project No. 15 Peace Valley Limited Partnership, LLC, *Boulder Hot Springs Bathhouse*
Repair, replacement, and/or restoration of the foundation, floors, walls, and ceilings on one side of the bathhouse.

This application received 1,035 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 15 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Peace Valley Partnership, LLC	Owner Investments	$100,000	Committed
Project Total		**$600,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Constructed in 1863, the Boulder Hot Springs has undergone multiple uses and additions over the decades. Its current Mission Style appearance reflects a 1910 remodel. Currently, the site operates as a hot springs, 29-room hotel, and event center. Peace Valley Limited Partnership (PVLP) has owned the building since the 1980s and has completed several major restoration projects, including asbestos remediation and building systems upgrades. During the 2021 legislative session (2023 Biennium), PVLP was awarded $498,500 for exterior repairs, including insulation installation, repairs to windows and doors, and the replacement of stucco and substrate. In 2021, the grantee requested a reduction in the scope of work due to high construction costs and has since focused primarily on roof repairs. In 2023, the grantee requested and was granted a contract amendment to extend the timeline of the project. At the time of this review, the grantee anticipates completing the project by the end of 2024.

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

- The foundation, walls, ceilings, and floors are cracking and rotting, resulting in pool leaks and structural instability.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Repair, replace, or restore the foundation, floors, walls, and ceilings on one side of the bathhouse

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

WITHDRAWN Project No. 16 Northern Rockies Heritage Center, *Building 27*
Full roof replacement of Building 27

This application received 1,025 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 16 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$300,791	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Other Grants	Grants	$27,500	Pending
Fundraising	Donation	$14,598	Pending
NRHC Contribution	Revenue	$33,100	Confirmed
Project Total		**$373,989**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Building 27 is one of seven buildings on the Fort Missoula complex that make up "Officer's Row." These buildings were constructed as officers' quarters in the 1910s as part of the "Post Reconstruction" period of Fort Missoula. Fort Missoula was home to the 25th Infantry and the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and used as an internment camp during WWII. After WWII, the houses reverted to military housing until the 1990s. During that time, the Reserve Officers Training Corps, the Army Reserve, and Montana National Guard all utilized the Officer Row buildings for officers and their families residing at Fort Missoula. In the mid-1980s, these buildings were added to the National Register of Historic Places, along with most of the Fort Missoula complex. Currently, Officer's Row is managed by the Northern Rockies Heritage Center, a 501© 3 organization tasked with the preservation of historic Fort Missoula. Currently, the buildings serve as office spaces, with a small financial firm and non-profit occupying Building 27. The income generated from office rentals enables the preservation of the historic Fort Missoula campus.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Roof tiles are cracked, broken, or missing.
- ❑ Underlayment is failing.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Repair the roof by installing new clay tiles, underlayment, flashing, and decking where necessary. The tiles currently installed were manufactured by the Ludowici Tile Company in the early 1900s. The company is still in business and able to manufacture replacement tiles with the same design profile.

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards. They have been in contact with SHPO.

Project No. 17 Powell County Museum and Arts Foundation, Inc. W.A. *Clark Jr. Prison Theater at the Old Montana Prison in Deer Lodge*

Repair of the theater roof, stabilization of the building's chimney, stabilization/restoration of the entrance portico, and stabilization/reconstruction of the structure's south wall.

This application received 1,025 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 16 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$161,200	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Powell County Museum and Arts Foundation	Endowment	$40,300	Confirmed
Project Total		**$201,500**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Old Montana Prison in Deer Lodge is one of the state's largest historic structure complexes. Constructed via inmate labor in 1919, the 6,825 square foot Clark Prison Theater building is the third largest structure on the campus (out of 15) and served as the first theater built inside a prison in the United States. The building was gutted by a fire in 1975, collapsing the roof and compromising the structural integrity of the brick wall on the south end of the building—four years before the Montana Department of Corrections ceased operations at what was then the largest correctional institution in the state. The roof was partially repaired in 1980, but leakage has continued. The interior has suffered from exposure to the elements, although the stone and concrete stage is largely intact. In 1995, the Powell County Museum and Arts Foundation signed a 99-year lease for the 8.5-acre Old Prison Heritage Site with the State of Montana Department of Corrections. PCM&AF is responsible for the maintenance and interpretive elements of the Old Prisons Museums and its 15 historic structures. Approximately 30,000-40,000 tourists visit the Old Prison Museums annually. The Clark Theater structure is currently unusable and blocked off to public access via barbed wire. Nearly all artifacts formerly on display have been removed for safekeeping while funds for restoration are sought.

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

- The roof is leaking.
- The structural integrity of the chimney is compromised and presents safety concerns.
- The south wall is deteriorating, leaving a 100 sq foot hole in the masonry, allowing for exposure to moisture and pigeons.
- The front entrance portico (the only public entrance to the building) has been deteriorating since 1984.
- The current condition of the Clark Theater puts PCM&AF as the responsible party out of compliance with the terms and conditions of their lease with the State of Montana Department of Corrections.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will

- Repair and/or replace the damaged portions of the roof
- Remove the chimney to allow for masonry repair and reinforcement. The chimney will then be restored to its original height
- Stabilize the south wall by removing all failed brick courses and then re-laying/rebuilding the wall to match original specifications and appearance
- Remove all spalling and loose concrete on the Portico before replacing concrete, covering exposed rebar, and re-sealing the portico roof
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Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards.

Project No. 18 Little Big Horn College, *Apsaalooke Center for Culture and History*
Complete renovation of Cultural Learning Center including repair of roof and skylights, replacement of windows and doors, and updates to HVAC systems, with the goal of creating a Crow Hall of Honor, an Elders Center, and a Gift Shop/Bookstore.

This application received 1,005 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 18 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the legislature
Little Big Horn College	Cash	$35,390	Confirmed
EDA	Grant	$89,610	Confirmed
Project Total		**$625,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; History Museum

Project History – The Little Big Horn College Cultural Learning Lodge was constructed in 2003, with a gathering room, five offices, and restrooms. In 2019, the Cultural Learning Lodge was transformed into the Apsaalooke Center for Culture and History as a place to celebrate and share the culture and history of the Apsaalooke People. Since 2019, the Little Big Horn College Center Project Team has collaborated with tribal members in the six Apsaalooke districts and intergenerational and target constituent groups, as well as college faculty, staff, and students to develop a revitalization plan for the space, which includes creating a Crow Hall of Honor, an Elders Center, and Gift Shop/Bookstore.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Dilapidated roof and skylights.
- ❑ Insecure windows and doors.
- ❑ Outdated lighting.
- ❑ Outdated HVAC systems.
- ❑ The Crow Nation has limited facilities for cultural gatherings and events.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Repair the roof and skylights
- ❑ Replace windows and doors to enhance security
- ❑ Update lighting and HVAC systems
- ❑ Redesign the space the make it suitable for gatherings, performances and events, and a giftshop and bookstore

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant did not consider the SOI standards, and the SOI standards may not be applicable to the project.

Project No. 19 Hill County, *Hill County Courthouse*
Replacement of outdated and inefficient elevator and HVAC systems.

This application received 1,000 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 19 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Hill County Capital Improvement Funds	Cash	$1,750,000	Confirmed
Project Total		$2,250,000	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – Dedicated in 1915, the 3-story Hill County Courthouse is a well-preserved architectural landmark within the Havre Historic District. The Beaux-Arts style building features a glossy, white-glazed terra-cotta tile exterior adorned with four Corinthian columns. A series of improvements made in 1962 included the installation of an elevator and HVAC system. Both have now exceeded their life expectancy, and present maintenance challenges. Moreover, the 8-passenger elevator can only be accessed at the basement level. The proposed project aims to provide more reliable public access to and climate control for the upper floors of the building.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- HVAC system exceeded life expectancy.
- Current elevator outdated and inefficient.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Replace outdated elevator
- Replace the 2nd and 3rd floor HVAC systems

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

Project No. 20 Friends of Historic Hotel Libby, *Historic Hotel Libby*
Restoration of exterior of hotel to 1930 appearance by removing siding, restoring front portico, restoring windows, and repainting.

This application received 995 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 20 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
DEQ—Brownfields	Leverage	$209,387	Secured
KSU TAB	Leverage	$5,000	Secured
Fundraising	Cash	$363	Secured
MT DEQ/Brownfields/Newfields Phase I & II in 2023		$28,611	Secured/Spent
Project Total		**$743,361**	

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 (Friends of Historic Hotel Libby) was formed in 2016 to restore and preserve the hotel. During the 2023 legislative session, the project was awarded $173,659 in MHPG funding to replace the roof. That project was completed according to plan in 2024. The hotel is not currently operational but due to the roof replacement is now open for limited events and visitation. The long-term plan is to open the hotel once all major renovations have been completed. The hotel will have 22 guest rooms, a living museum component, public meeting area, 2 community offices, and a gift shop.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- The historic pink Transite siding covering half the building contains 15% Chrysotile; the other half of the building is covered in look-alike, non-contaminant siding. All siding needs to be removed to restore the exterior appearance of the building and preserve its historic features.
- In 1948, the front portico was enclosed to create additional lobby space.
- 69 windows are dated and in need of restoration/replacement due to rotting wood and cracked frames.
- Lead-based paint is present on multiple interior surfaces, particularly on the main level.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Remove the Transite siding to expose the original wood shiplap siding from 1909
- Repaint the exterior of the building using the 1930 color of Pearl Gray with Navy/Gray Trim
- Restore the front portico by reversing the 1948 project to reveal the original exposed pillars and restore the exterior of the building
- Replace 69 windows on all three floors with energy-efficient windows from the Pella Historic Collection (designed to be used in rehabilitation projects). Salvageable pieces of the original windows will be reused as decorative features throughout the hotel
- Remove lead paint from interior surfaces

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards. The applicant is consulting with SHPO regarding restoration plans.

Project No. 21 Madison County, *Thompson-Hickman Memorial Building*
Improvements to the accessibility of the site, including installation of an off-street parking lot, installation of handicap access ramp to the museum entrance, and the addition of elevator.

This application received 995 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 20 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,00	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Madison County	In-Kind	$100,000	Confirmed
Madison County	Cash	$237,000	Confirmed
ALA Grant	Grant	$20,000	Pending
Project Total		**$857,000**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – Completed in 1922, the Thompson-Hickman Memorial Building (THMB) is a well-preserved two-story stone building and is considered an architectural landmark within the Virginia City National Historic Landmark District. It has served as the county library and local museum for over 100 years. A large, one-story, ADA-compliant rear addition was completed in 2017—effectively doubling the size of the original library. The original building is situated on a steep hillside, with the lower museum level accessed via a series of stairs from the street to a front entrance, while the upper historic portion of the library level is accessed by separate sets of stairs leading from the rear of the property.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- The original building is located on a hillside and was not designed with accessibility considerations.
  - There is no ADA-compliant access to the museum level of the building.
- Parking for the building is limited and/or accessible mainly via stairs.
- Movement between the library and museum levels is limited internally to the existing wooden staircase and externally by concrete steps along the building's east side, rendering the museum level inaccessible except via stairs.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Construct an off-street parking lot on the east side of the building with 8-12 parking spaces to ensure a shorter and easier walk to the library.
- Improve access to existing handicapped parking spaces, located in the west side alley approach, with widened turnaround areas and improved directional signage.
- Add an ADA-compliant accessibility ramp to the museum entrance.
- Install an elevator in the building to internally connect the two levels of the building and connect the library to the museum.

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

Project No. 22 Shelby City of, *Historic Shelby High*
Adaptive reuse of historic Shelby High through the conversion of the classroom side into city offices, meeting rooms, and potential commercial space.

This application received 995 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 20 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
State-Local Partnership Act	Grant	$312,937	Committed
CDBG	Grant	$750,000	Applying
City of Shelby	General Fund	$6,816,363	Committed (balance of construction costs)
Project Total		**$8,378,363**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1931, the Historic Shelby High is an Art Deco building which served as a community high school until 1962 and a middle school until 2003. The School District then sold the property to the City of Shelby, and the building has been vacant since then. The city performed an environmental assessment in the fall of 2004, followed by a Targeted Brownfields Assessment. In 2007, the city was awarded an EPA Cleanup Grant to address asbestos and lead-paint. In 2010, the city was awarded American Recovery and Reinvestment (ARRA) funds for window replacement and later an Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant for boiler replacement and roof repair. The majority of the building interior has been impacted by hazardous materials remediation; however, the building exterior, entrance lobby, and gymnasium maintain their historic character. Currently, the City of Shelby leases office space from Logan Health, but the square footage is inadequate. Therefore, the city intends to adapt the historic high school to house city offices, a technology lab, and meeting spaces for council/commission meetings and public gatherings.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Interior wall joints exposed.
- ❑ Parts of the ceiling are exposed.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Renovate the building to create office space, storage space, community space, and potential commercial space.

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and will work with an historic architect.

Condition – *If awarded, the applicant must provide a more detailed scope of work.*

WITHDRAWN Project No. 23 Dawson County, *Glendive Public Library*
Replacement of air handler and air conditioning units to create stable climate for preservation of historical documents.

This application received 980 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 23 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$79,011	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Ash Grove	Grant	$2,500	Confirmed
McMullin	Donation	$72,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$153,511**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – The Glendive Public Library has served the greater Dawson County Area since 1919. Since 1994, the library has been operating out of a 9,800 sq. ft building built in 1967. The library's Montana Room, Newspaper Archive, and Genealogy Department house irreplaceable archival and historical materials of both regional and statewide significance. Due to the outdated air handler (installed in 1967) and air conditioning units (installed in 1994), the building does not provide the 45,000 annual visitors with the minimum air quality standards mandated by the state of Montana. Moreover, the lack of adequate climate control threatens the survival of the library's archives.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Air conditioning units are outdated and insufficient.
- Air handler is outdated and only functions at 25% capacity.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Replace the air handler and air conditioning units

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

Project No. 24 Sandstone Preservation Committee, *Sandstone and Cobblestone Schools Complex*
Upgrades to the Sandstone and Cobblestone Schools complex to ensure structural integrity. Renovation focused on the eastern half of the building including installation of HVAC and fire suppression systems; improvements to electrical and plumbing systems; and installation of ADA ramps, elevators, and accessible restrooms.

This application received 980 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 23 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Stillwater Mine Foundation	Grant	$20,000	Pending
Preserve MT	Grant	$10,000	Pending
Save America's Treasure	Grant	$125,000	Pending
Project Total		**$655,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Constructed between 1910 and 1921, the Absarokee Sandstone and Cobblestone Schools Complex is independently listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The buildings faced abandonment in 2019 due to structural concerns. Recognizing the historic importance of the buildings to the community, the Sandstone Preservation Committee was formed to advocate for its preservation and revitalization. The non-profit currently leases the historic building from the school district and is responsible for maintaining the premises, covering expenses, and funding needed improvements. In 2022, the Sandstone Preservation Committee enlisted the expertise of High Plains Architects to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the building's architectural needs and to explore the feasibility of incorporating a daycare facility within its walls. Based on the study, the applicant plans to renovate the complex to house a daycare, commercial space, kitchen incubator, and art space.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Structural decay to the roof, foundation, and masonry.
- Lack of ADA accessibility.
- Lack of safety features.
- Outdated electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:
- Stabilization of foundation and roof
- Installation of fire protection systems
- Installation of ramps, elevators, and accessible restrooms
- Upgrades to electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems

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

Project No. 25 Mathson Design, LLC, *Recording Center Rehabilitation Project*
Preservation of deteriorated exterior, including repairs to the roof, walls, windows, and doors. Interior repairs include ceiling repairs and plumbing and HVAC upgrades.

This application received 975 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 25 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$50,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Mathson Design, LLC	Cash	$11,000	Confirmed
In-Kind Donations	Volunteer Hours	$3,660	Confirmed
Clearwater Credit Unition	Loan	$5,000	Pending
Fundraising Campaign	Cash	$5,000	Pending
Project Total		**$74,660**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Originally constructed in 1910, The Recording Center is a one-story, low rise commercial building residing within the Missoula Downtown Historic District. The studio is the longest-running audio recording studio in Missoula, and has hosted national and local musicians, actors, and artists. The studio also provides secure storage of master recordings of musicians like Hank Williams, Jr. as well as archival recordings belonging to the Missoula County Courthouse, the University of Montana and Montana State University, and Yellowstone National Park. The Recording Center also works with Lost Sounds of Montana, which seeks to restore unearthed or damaged recordings throughout the state. The building has undergone little work since 1910, with exceptions for the installation of an HVAC system and electrical upgrades. With the proposed project, the applicant intends to increase studio space offerings for various recording needs, attract more artists, host public events, and ensure secure, climate-controlled storage for master and archival recordings.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Exterior deterioration and safety concerns related to outdated materials, including to the roof, walls, windows, and doors.
- Ceiling is water-damaged.
- Interior walls need repair.
- Plumbing and HVAC upgrades needed to improve energy efficiency.
- Overall deterioration threatens not just the physical structure but also presents risks to the archival recordings stored at the facility.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Re-insulate the attic and replace the roof
- Replace deteriorated metal siding with brick to restore exterior historic integrity and cohesiveness with other historic structures in the district
- Repair and/or replace 5 windows
- Install 4 new exterior doors to provide improved security and climate control
- Repair damaged ceiling and walls
- Make upgrades to the plumbing and HVAC systems

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

Project No. 26 Jefferson County, *State School for the Deaf and Blind "Cottage 5"*
Renovation and repurpose of Cottage 5 for use as a "medical plaza" which will also house the Jefferson County Health Department. Project includes concrete floor testing and reinforcement, installation of platform lift, electrical upgrades and installation of historical light fixtures, and installation of a fire alarm system.

This application received 970 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 26 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund	Grant	$800,000	Committed
American Rescue Plan Act	Grant	$200,000	Committed
Department of Health and Human Services	Grant	$90,000	Committed
Historic Tax Credits	Tax Credits	$600,000	Pending
Department of Environmental Quality	Grant	$200,000	Confirmed
Jefferson County/Other Grants	Grant	$610,000	Pending
Project Total		**$3,000,000**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – In 1893, the Montana State Legislature designated Boulder, MT as the future location of the Sate School for the Deaf and Blind. In 1923, Cottage 5 was built to house female students—joining 4 other cottages al designed in the Italian Renaissance Revival style. In 1974, all cottages excluding Cottage 5 were vacated and torn down. The building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1985 and turned over to the County in 2000. The proposed project will renovate Cottage 5 as a "medical plaza" that will also house the Jefferson County Health Department. There are accessibility issues that will require the installation of a platform lift and adapting steep ramps into more usable stairs. There are six restrooms in the facility, but the applicant notes they will have to be upgraded and reconfigured to be compliant with standards set forth in the American Disabilities Act (ADA). Cottage 5 will also need a new Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system as historically warm air was vented from a large steam plant in the center of the school grounds.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems are outdated.
- Lack of ADA accessibility.
- Crumbling of concrete in crawlspace.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:
- Concrete floor testing and reinforcement
- Installation of a platform lift and renovation of bathrooms to meet ADA standards
- Upgrades to the electrical systems
- Installation of a fire alarm system

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as they have worked with both SHPO and a historic preservation architect to follow all guidelines.

Project No. 27 Treasure County 89ers inc., Yucca Theatre
Repairs of exterior and interior water damage to Yucca Theatre.

This application received 970 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 26 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$145,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Treasure 89ers	Treasury	$9,700	Confirmed
Treasure 89ers	In-Kind	$3,300	Confirmed
Foundation Grant and Donors	Donors	$16,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$174,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Museum

Project History – The Yucca Theatre was built in 1931 by the local Manning brothers and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The entire complex consists of the Yucca Theatre, the Manning Home, and a museum. The two-story, Mission-style theatre building features battered stucco walls and wood pole "vega" detailing. The building operated as a movie theatre until the 1960s and is now used for tours year-round and weekly film showings during the summer months. Occasionally the building is used for public events, but its functionality is limited due to the water-damaged condition of the interior of the theatre. In 2021, the Yucca Theatre was awarded $23,300 in MHPG funding to install a new roof and repair the west interior wall. The project was completed in 2022. Since the project was completed, additional sources of water leakage have resulted in damage to the projection room and balcony. The applicant has secured funding to completely replace and re-stucco the 8 pillar domes and seal the wood vegas on the domes, but additional funding is needed to address the exterior cracks/peeling paint and interior water damage.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Exterior cracks and peeling paint due to water damage.
- ❑ Interior water damage to projection room and balcony.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Repair exterior cracks
- ❑ Repaint the exterior of the building
- ❑ Repair the damage to the balcony and projection room

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

Condition – *If awarded the applicant must secure the required 20% match.*

Project No. 28 St. Peter's Episcopal Cathedral
ADA upgrades, including the installation of an elevator and ramps.

This application received 970 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 26 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$250,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Kelley Foundation	Planning Grant	$20,000	Committed
Treacy Foundation	Grant	$25,000	Committed
Congregational Member Donations	Pledged and Donated	$100,000	Pending
Congregational Anonymous Donor	Donation	$100,000	Committed
St Peter's Health Foundation	Grant	$25,000	Pending
Project Total		**$520,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The current St. Peter's Episcopal Cathedral (SPC) was constructed in 1931 (though St. Peter's has had a physical presence in downtown Helena since 1879, when the original church building was constructed). The freestanding masonry building features handmade elements and furnishings and showcases local building materials. The well-preserved building is a contributing structure within the Helena Historic District. In addition to serving as the seat of the Episcopal Diocese of Montana and the base of SPC's community partnerships and charitable activities, the Cathedral serves as the rehearsal and performance space for a local choral chamber ensemble, the site of Grand Street Theatre's summer youth camp, and the offices of the Helena Art Guild. Recently, SPC worked with CWG Architecture & Interiors to address the need for functional and long-term upgrades to accommodate accessibility requirements.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- The building is not ADA accessible.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Install an elevator and ramps

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards. The applicant noted that the ADA addition will be located at the rear of the building where it will have minimal visual and/or architectural impact.

Project No. 29 Anaconda-Deer Lodge County, *Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Courthouse*
Replacement and repair of historic tiles and substrate on the 1st floor of the Anaconda-Deer Lodge County Courthouse.

This application received 945 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 29 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$400,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Anaconda-Deer Lodge County	General Fund Cash Match	$150,000	Committed
Project Total		**$550,000**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – The Anaconda-Deer Lodge County courthouse was constructed between 1898-1900. The neo-classical style building has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1978 and was later recognized as a contributing structure to the Butte-Anaconda Historic Landmark District and Anaconda's West Side Historic District. Water damage and natural settling has led to visible deterioration of the flooring and presents safety hazards to the public seeking access to the many offices and services located on the first floor of the courthouse. Since 2010, the County has been undertaking preservation projects on the building, including pigeon mitigation and sidewalk reconstruction to prevent water build-up.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Portions of the tile floor have heaved, chipped, cracked or otherwise deteriorated due to water damage and natural settling.
- Substrate needs repair to prevent further heaving.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Repair and/or replace the 1st floor substrate
- Repair and/or replace the tiles on the 1st floor

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and has been in contact with SHPO.

Project No. 30 National Affordable Housing Network

Upgrades to the Phoenix Building to improve safety and climate control. Work includes upgrades to windows, doors, and main level glazing to restore historic integrity and increase performance, as well as the installation of a fire suppression system for the building.

This application received 945 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 29 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Community Block Development Grant (CDBG)	Grant	$750,000	Committed
Urban Revitalization Agency	Grant	$150,000	Committed
Clearwater Credit Union	Loan	$1,200,000	Committed
Project Total		**$2,600,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The 1906 Phoenix building is an 8-level, 85,000 sq. ft historic commercial building in the heart of Butte's Historic Landmark District. At the time of its construction, the Phoenix Building was the largest department store and commercial building in Montana. Modifications over the decades have resulted in the loss of some of the architectural and historic integrity of the building, and the structure was in failing condition in 2006 when it was acquired by The National Affordable Housing Network (NAHN). NAHN invested heavily in the building, 40% of which (the lower floors) is in use as a non-profit community facility and commercial space. The proposed project is to restore the façade and revitalize the upper floors to create 15 affordable housing units and a hotel.

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

- The upper floors lack modern mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems.
- The upper floors lack a fire suppression system.
- All windows are failing.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Upgrade the windows, doors, and main level glazing.
- Install a fire suppression system

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as the applicant will work closely with the Butte-Silver Bow Historic Preservation Officer, the Local Historic Preservation Commission, and the State Historic Preservation Office.

Project No. 31 Community Thrift, LLC, *Kalispell Community Thrift/Scandinavian Methodist Church*
Upgrades and repairs to Scandinavian Methodist Church, including roof replacement, exterior paint repairs, electrical and plumbing upgrades, landscape work to prevent water accumulation, and ADA ramp installation.

This application received 930 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 31 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$240,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Grant Admin	In-Kind	$24,000	Pending
Donations	In-Kind Cash	$1,500 $4,000	Pledged
Community Thrift	Cash	$19,000	Secured
Project Total		**$288,500**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Scandinavian Methodist Church (SMC) was built in 1896 by a congregation of Norwegian settlers and is the oldest wood-frame church in Kalispell and Montana. It served as a schoolhouse, community center, and religious hub. The Salvation Army bought the church in 1957 and removed the towering spire, added a dropped ceiling and fluorescent lighting, painted the walls and floors, installed a bathroom, and enclosed a porch. The current owners operate Kalispell Community Thrift out of the building and have preserved many of the historic features.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Leaking roof.
- ❑ Damaged exterior façade.
- ❑ Electrical and plumbing deficiencies.
- ❑ Landscaping that is impeding the foundation.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Replace the roof
- ❑ Paint the exterior and add gutters
- ❑ Remove trees to eliminate further damage to foundation
- ❑ Repair broken windows
- ❑ Upgrade the front porch and exterior doors
- ❑ Upgrade electrical and plumbing systems
- ❑ Remove the false ceiling to restore the historic integrity of the interior

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

Condition – *If awarded the applicant must complete the Environmental Review process.*

Project No. 32 Granite County Museum & Cultural Center
Renovation of the community room and archival spaces. Rehabilitation of two empty floors of museum building (the historic Courtney Hotel) into workforce housing.

This application received 925 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 32 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Historic Tax Credits	Cash	$764,000	Committed
Donations	Cash	$40,000	Unclear
Project Total		**$1,304,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1918, the Granite County Museum building was originally known as the Courtney Hotel. The building housed the Granite County Garage in the basement and a car dealership and showroom for Overland automobiles on the first floor. The second and third floors housed offices and hotel rooms, which were regularly occupied by permanent residents, miners, schoolteachers, and travelers. Today, the building is listed as a primary structure on the National Register of Historic Places Inventory for the Philipsburg Historic District. The Granite County Museum & Cultural Center serves as a public meeting space, a history museum and a historical archive. The Community Room and kitchen facilities are used multiple times per week for group meetings and events throughout the year. The Museum exhibits and archive areas are only open from May – September in the afternoons and by appointment. The upper two floors are partially used for storage of artifacts but are otherwise unheated and empty former hotel rooms. The building is structurally sound, centrally located, and already connected to Philipsburg infrastructure. The applicant intends to renovate the upper two stories and convert the hotel rooms into apartments so as to provide housing for local workforce needs and create an income stream for the Granite County Museum. Moreover, while tourists visit Philipsburg year-round, the Museum is often closed. Updates to the archival spaces and community room will render the Museum more accessible to the public.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- 10,000 sq ft of underutilized and unheated space in the upper two floors.
- Public spaces do not meet building code standards.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Renovate the upper two stories to transform the former hotel rooms into workforce housing
- Remodel the community room, public and museum spaces, and the archives

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

Project No. 33 Kalispell City of, *Kalispell Train Depot Building*
Roof and gutter replacement plus repainting of Kalispell Train Depot.

This application received 925 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 32 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$286,337	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
City of Kalispell	TIF Funds	$71,585	Confirmed
Project Total		**$357,922**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – Originally built in 1892, the Kalispell Train Depot building was gutted by an oil lamp fire in 1899 and rebuilt using the original walls. The building was remodeled in 1929, including the covering of the bricks with stucco and the shortening of the overhanging eaves. The exterior appearance of the Depot today resembles the 1929 appearance. The building served as a train depot until 1950. Starting in 1981, the building housed the local Chamber of Commerce. The building will soon serve as the offices for the Kalispell Parks and Recreation Department. The building has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1994.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Lack of gutters on the lower section and upper gutters are nonfunctional.
- Paint is peeling.
- Roof is deteriorating with broken and missing shingles along with moss covering the roof in places.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Install a new roof and gutters
- Paint the exterior

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards, although further engagement is necessary.

Project No. 34 MSTB, LLC, *Mountain States Telephone Building*
Interior renovations and upgrades, including replacement of the building's thermal envelope, as well as mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems updates.

This application received 920 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 34 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
MSTB, LLC	Cash/Finance	$730,000	Confirmed/Pending
Project Total		**$1,230,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1914, the Mountain States Telephone Building sits within the Main Street Historic District in Miles City and is independently listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The two-story masonry building was designed in the Renaissance Revival style and built specifically to hold the weight of the telephone switchboards. In 1957, the building was converted to office space and was used as such until 2022, when the building was vacated due to the unsustainable costs associated with heating and cooling the building. The current owners purchased the building in 2019 with the goal of updating outdated features and removing non-historic elements.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ The thermal envelope does not meet energy codes.
- ❑ Outdated mechanical systems.
- ❑ Outdated electrical components.
- ❑ Plumbing systems are outdated.
  - o Cast iron pipes are corroded, and upper level has excessive residue build-up.
  - o Original fixtures are leaky, cracked, and/or broken.
  - o Water is contaminated by outdated pipes.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Replace thermal envelope
- ❑ Replace mechanical systems
- ❑ Replace electrical systems
- ❑ Replace plumbing systems

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

Project No. 35 Miles City Convent Keepers, *Miles City Convent Keepers Community Center*
Replacement or repair of south roof support columns, footings, and structure to maintain structural integrity of the building.

This application received 910 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 35 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$434,226	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Miles City Convent Keepers	Cash	$22,500	Committed
Nibs & Edna Allen Foundation	Grant	$20,000	Pending. 4 opportunities to apply before 2026 project start date
St. Vincent de Paul	Grant/Donation	$10,000	Secured
Ingraham Environmental	In-Kind Donation of Equipment	$9,000	Committed
Fundraising	Donations	$47,057	Pending
Project Total		**$542,783**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1902, the Miles City Convent Keepers Community center was established as an Ursuline convent featuring Colonial Revival, Romanesque, and Queen Ann architectural elements. The Ursuline nuns contributed significantly to education efforts 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. In addition to serving as a community center, the building currently houses a thrift store run by the non-profit and rents space to non-profits and small businesses. During the 2023 legislative session (2025 Biennium), the Miles City Convent Keepers were awarded $119,688 in Montana Historic Preservation Grant funding replace structurally unsound elements of the elevated porch on the north entrance. At the time of this review, work has started, and the project is on track for completion.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- South roof support columns, footings, and structure need replacement/repairs to maintain the structural integrity of the building.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Replace the 1902 footings with concrete piers
- Repair the supporting structures
- Reconstruct the columns with updated materials

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

Project No. 36 Blarney Ranch, LLC, *Fortin Ranch House*

Renovation of the historic farmhouse and adjoining structure including reinforcements to foundation; replacement of worn siding with authentic materials; and restoration of windows, roof, and chimney. Once completed, the structures will be open for public tours and limited events, including Trego Heritage Days.

This application received 900 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 36 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Whitefish Credit Union	Home Equity Loan (property has no current liens)	$100,000	Pending
Project Total		**$600,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Built in the late 1800s (1894 homestead, 1915 farmhouse), the Fortin Ranch House served as a hub for cattle ranching and homesteading in Trego. The interior of the farmhouse is largely preserved, but no exterior maintenance has been performed since the 1970s. The farmhouse, which is highly visible as one enters Trego, is currently situated on a working cattle ranch owned by Brian and Karla Gorman. The Gormans intend to restore the farmhouse and open it for public tours and events.

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

- Structural instability.
- Worn siding.
- Damaged and broken windows.
- Failing and historically inaccurate tin roof.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:

- Evaluation and reinforcement of foundation using modern stabilizing methods
- Repair and/or replacement of worn siding using authentic materials
- Window restoration
- Repainting the building to restore the original shade of white
- Removal of 1970s tin roof
- Installation of shake roof that adheres to the original design of the farmhouse

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 and that they will consult with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to ensure that applicable standards are met.

Project No. 37 Headwaters RC&D on behalf of S-Team LLC, *Butte Steam Plant Event Center*
Complete renovation of structure to repurpose as event center. Work includes roof repair/replacement; installation of substrate to stop freeze/thaw damage to the east wall; installation of windows and doors; repairs to all masonry; and installation of concrete floor.

This application received 900 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 36 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Owners	Cash	$144,000	Committed
Glacier Bank	Line of Credit	$125,000	Committed
Project Total		**$769,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The 1928 Butte Steam Plant was constructed as "boiler house" on the site of the Hansen Packing Company, which was at its prime the largest meat-processing plant in the entire Northwest and one of the largest employers in Butte. The Steam Plant has been vacant since the 1960s. In the 1970s, most of the other buildings on site were destroyed or dismantled. S-Team, LLC purchased the Butte Steam Plant and 2.33 adjoining acres in 2018. The owners intend to restore the structure and reintroduce the 3,600 sq. foot facility and grounds as an event center. The stated goal is to hold 88 weekend events and 300 weekday events over a 5-year start up period.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Lack of upgrades and functional windows, doors, and fire suppression system.
- Failed roof.
- Building deterioration and damage due to neglect and exposure to the elements.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Upgrade the windows, doors, and main level glazing
- Install a fire suppression system

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

Conditions – *If awarded, Headwaters RC & D and S-Team LLC need to complete a grant assistance agreement as Headwaters RC & D is not the owner nor responsible entity for the site. The grantee would be S-Team LLC. If awarded, the applicant will also need to provide a more detailed, clarified scope of work.*

Project No. 38 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, *Livingston Elks Lodge #246*

Exterior and interior improvements to the building, including upgrades to the electrical system, asbestos remediation, replacement of the roof, and restoration of certain historical features (original windows and main floor balcony). Renovation might also include installation of an elevator and ADA-compliant restrooms.

This application received 900 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 36 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
CDBG	Grant	$750,000	Pending
Capital Campaign	Cash	$3,873,863	Pending
Livingston Urban Renewal Agency	Grant	$100,000	Pending
Project Total		**$5,224,863**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The 1926 Elks Lodge building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as a contributing (primary) building in the Livingston Commercial Historic District. The original Livingston Elks Lodge building was built in 1912 but was torn down and replaced with the current brick building which features a basement, two ground level split entrances, and second and third floors. The building houses an event space and bar on the lower levels. In its current condition, the building has approximately 4032 sq. ft. of unusable space on the 3rd floor. The applicant intends to repair the third floor and render it usable as office spaces.

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

- Presence of asbestos and lead-based paint.
- Outdated and non-compliant electrical and heating systems.
- Nonfunctional plumbing systems on the third floor.
- Lack of elevator and ADA-compliant restrooms throughout the building.
- Leaking roof.
- Outdated flooring, lighting, wall treatments.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will

- Update the electrical system
- Remediate asbestos
- Replace the roof
- Restore exterior historical features

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant did not consider the SOI standards, although they did note that they intend to sustain the character and integrity of the building.

Project No. 39 Native American Development Corporation

Upgrades to the former Shrine Auditorium in Billings, including new electrical systems to ensure code-compliance, the complete remediation/mitigation of all toxic/harmful materials, refinishing the gym floor and interiors, updates to the commercial kitchen, and design of the commercial space.

This application received 895 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 39 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
3rd Party Revenue	Cash	$2,000,000	Committed
Capital Campaign	Donations	$500,000	Pending
Montana Healthcare Foundation	Grant	$150,000	Pending
Direct Relief Foundation	Grant	$150,000	Pending
Project Total		**$3,300,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Native American Development Corporation (NADC) recently acquired the former Shrine Auditorium in Billings, a property of 5.5 acres with a 50,000 sq ft historic building constructed in 1926. The building features distinctive Moorish Revival architecture and served as an event center for decades before falling into disrepair. Currently, the building needs significant upgrades and has deferred maintenance components. NADC has completed many projects to date, including replacement of the roof, replacement of plumbing fixtures, and repair of the front stairway/entrance. The building houses community health programs and the Billings Urban Indian Health & Wellness Center (BUIHWC). The long-term plan for the site is to establish "a visible, physical presence and gathering space for Native Americans who live or visit Billings." NADC plans to bring together their existing health services, expand program offerings to the regional Native community, and provide opportunities to engage the non-Native community members.

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

- Building needs upgrades.
- Deferred maintenance.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Upgrade the electrical systems and bring them up to code
- Address ADA requirements
- Complete remediation/mitigation of all toxic/harmful materials
- Bring Fiber Optic cabling into the building
- Upgrade the mechanical systems
- Refinish and renovate the gym
- Update the commercial kitchen
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Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards.

Project No. 40 Seeley Lake Historical Society, *Maclean Icehouse*

Complete reconstruction of the Maclean Icehouse at Seeley Lake. Project involves the replacement of rotten logs and roof, transportation of structure back to original site in Seeley Lake, and the restoration of the interior via the re-installation of the original shelving.

This application received 895 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 39 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$10,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Foundation for Montana History	Grant	$10,000	Pending
Donations	Cash	$7,000	Confirmed
Donations	Cash	$1,000	Pending
Project Total		**$28,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Maclean Icehouse at Seeley Lake was built by Reverend Maclean, a skilled carpenter, in the 1920s. It functioned as a traditional icehouse into the 1950s (until electricity and refrigerators became available in the area) and is now considered the last intact icehouse in the region. Once restored, the Seeley Lake Historical Society plans to equip the structure with authentic items (ice saws, pulleys) and include it on a tour of historic places.

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

- Structure is currently disassembled off-site to allow for the preservation of salvageable materials and the construction of historically adherent replacement materials.
- Structure needs transportation back to the original site at Seeley Lake and reassembly.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Transport the restored elements of the structure to its original site
- Reassemble the structure and reattach the roof
- Restore original interior shelving

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties –It appears the applicant did not consider the SOI standards and the SOI standards may not be applicable to the project.

Condition – *If awarded the applicant will need to provide additional documentation of the public meeting portion of the Environmental Review process.*

Project No. 41 Friends of Historic Adams Hotel

Replace the current roof, skylights, and gutters, regrade landscape to reroute standing water, add safe wiring.

This application received 890 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 41 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$200,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
James Lehfeldt	See letters of support	$30,000	Confirmed
Diana Lehfeldt	See letters of support	$10,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$240,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1908, the Adams Hotel in Lavina was constructed to accommodate homesteaders, ranchers, and businesspeople coming to Montana by train and those traveling by stagecoach from Billings. At that time, Lavina offered the only bridge across the Musselshell River and was a crossroads for both travel and commerce. The Adams Hotel reflects a post-colonial revival architectural style and is independently listed on the National Register for Historic Places. The building served as the social and business center for the city until the 1920s and is now managed by the Friends of the Adams Historic Hotel, who commissioned a Structural Condition Assessment Report in 2016. The building has suffered deterioration due to roof leakage and water collection around the foundation. The Friends of the Historic Adams Hotel replaced the foundation on the west side and completed external repairs. However, the structural stability of the building is still threatened by leaks and water collection.

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

- Roof and skylights are leaking.
- Outdated electrical systems.
- Water collection around foundation.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project includes:

- Replacement of the roof, skylights, and gutters
- Grading the land behind the hotel so it slopes away from the building
- Upgrades to the electrical systems

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant did not consider the SOI standards.

Project No. 42 Lewis and Clark County, *Lewis and Clark County Courthouse*
Upgrades to outdated elevator system servicing the three-story Lewis & Clark County Courthouse building, including expanding service to the attic level.

This application received 885 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 42 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Lewis and Clark County	Cash	$495,853	Committed
Project Total		**$995,853**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – The Lewis & Clark County Courthouse was built between 1885 and 1887 and has been in continual usage as the center of the county court system. The interior and exterior of the masonry building—particularly the stonework and complex fenestration—are well-preserved despite experiencing significant earthquake damage in the 1930s. Upgrades have included the replacement of windows and doors with high-quality, energy-efficient units and accessibility improvements made in 1984. Currently, the first floor and basement levels house the most-visited departments within the building. The second and third floors, as well as the attic, are only accessible via an extensive series of interior staircases, or an eight-passenger elevator accessed at the basement level. The elevator is outdated, and a replacement would ensure and expand reliable and safe public access to the entirety of the building.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Outdated elevator system.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Replace elevator

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as the County will utilize a licensed architect with experience rehabilitating historic buildings to design the project and oversee construction.

Condition – *If awarded, the applicant will need to provide documentation of the public meeting component of the Environmental Review process.*

Project No. 43 World Museum of Mining, *St. Patrick's Mission*
Repairs to the St. Patrick's Mission Building, including foundation replacement, painting and reglazing of windows, installation of "L" angle splines, and electrical and lighting upgrades.

This application received 885 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 42 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$173,040	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Cookbook Fundraiser	Fundraiser	$225 $1,160	Confirmed Pending
TBD	TBD	$35,575	Pending
Project Total		**$210,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; History Museum

Project History – St. Patrick's Catholic Church was built as a log building on a stone foundation by Bishop John P. Carroll in August 1922—making it the twelfth Catholic Church within fifteen miles of Butte, MT. In 1976, the church was moved from Brown's Gulch to the World Museum of Mining, where it has resided as an exhibit ever since. Though the building is deteriorating, the historic features remain intact. Museum visitors can walk inside the church and experience how it existed in Brown's Gulch from 1922-1976. The building is also used for small meetings, memorial services, wedding ceremonies, and educational presentations.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Southwest wall is distorted due to rot and settling granite foundation.
- Windows are outdated.
- Unfinished flooring.
- Limited electricity and no lighting.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Replace foundation
- Paint and reglaze windows
- Adding, "L" angle splines for stabilization
- Replace deteriorated logs and treat existing logs
- Update electrical service and add lights

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and is working with Butte-Silver Bow's Historic Preservation Officer.

Project No. 44 Anaconda Restoration Association, *The Montana Hotel*
Installation of two furnaces and air conditioning units to improve climate control of The Montana, in addition to installation of coffered ceiling and tin ceiling in the public space.

This application received 875 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 44 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$100,746	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Board Member and Friend Volunteers	In-Kind	$8,394	Confirmed
NorthWestern Energy (Charitable Giving)	Grant	$16,792	Pending
Anaconda Local Development Corporation/Discover Anaconda	Loan	$16,792	Confirmed (in case NWE grant is not awarded)
Project Total		**$142,724**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Montana Hotel (The Montana) is associated with Marcus Daly and is a contributing element to the Butte-Anaconda National Historic District. The two-story (originally 4-story) brick building was built in 1888 and stands within Anaconda's commercial core at Park Ave. and Main Street. In the 1970s, the upper two stories of the building were removed. However, the remaining structure retains its historic integrity. The Anaconda Restoration Association was created in 2016 with the purpose of saving The Montana. Since then, the non-profit has also pursued other preservation projects in Anaconda. After leasing the property from its previous owner from 2016-2021, ARA purchased the building and began revitalizing the first floor, which currently houses six long-term rental units. The rest of the building has limited use due to the lack of climate control and other deficiencies. Both previous work and the proposed project reflect a Preliminary Architectural Report (PAR) completed in 2020.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Lack of climate control.
- Unfinished ceiling in community space.
- Lack of lighting in community space.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- Install two air conditioning units, ductwork, vents, registered and grills, and thermostats.
- Install ceiling batts and 2x2 foot tin ceiling tiles
- Install crown molding
- Install dimmable LED fixtures

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards as the applicant provided a letter from SHPO.

Project No. 45 Pi House Corporation of Delta Gamma, *Pi Chapter Delta Gamma House*
Interior and exterior upgrades to the building including the repair of the fire escape, cleaning and repainting of masonry, repair of concrete, re-stucco of the exterior, painting of trim, and repair of windows.

This application received 870 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 45 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$240,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Delta Gamma Capital Campaign	Donation	$60,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$300,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Constructed in 1920 as a single-family residence, the Pi Chapter Delta Gamma House is a Tudor Revival-style building that has, since 1925, housed over 3,000 young women pursuing higher education at the University of Montana. Currently, the four-story building houses 32 collegiate members on the upper two floors, while the first two floors include community rooms and common spaces. The lower floors are open to the public and see approximately 750 visitors annually. The building is a contributing historic resource within the University Area Historic District. In the 1950s, the building was expanded to the north and repairs were made to the stucco and masonry. The interior of the building has undergone many renovations but retains distinguishing historic features. The proposed projects will preserve many of the original 1920s-eara features of the house, as well as some of the 1950s-era additions.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Discoloration and degradation of exterior masonry, concrete, stucco and trims.
- Two original wood windows need repair/restoration; multiple steel windows are discolored and in need of repair.
- Shower units on the 2nd and 3rd floors are outdated and in need of replacement.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Clean and repair the fire escape
- Clean and repoint masonry
- Repair concrete
- Re-stucco the exterior and paint trim
- Repair and maintain windows
- Upgrade interior shower units

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and is currently working with a historic preservation architect.

Project No. 46 Montana Building Condominium Association, *The Montana Building*
Façade improvements to the Montana Building, including removal of lead paint, replacement of windows and preservation of historic glass, and restoration of original brick.

This application received 860 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 46 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$481,920	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
MBCA	Cash	$120,480	Will be raised by special assessment on MBCA members upon successful grant award
Project Total		**$602,400**	

Applicant type – For Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The six-story Montana Building was constructed in 1910 and owned by U.S. Senator Joseph Dixon. In 1911 President Theodore Roosevelt visited Missoula at Senator Dixon's invitation and spoke in front of the building. Roosevelt and Dixon had worked together in the conservation of public lands and the establishment of national forests, national parks, and a bison sanctuary. At the event Roosevelt spoke about their friendship and common values. As part of a series of interior and exterior remodeling projects from 1955 through 1971, many of the building's historic features were removed or altered, including the installation of non-historic masonry veneer panels to the exterior. A 2010 restoration project removed some non-historic elements, including the veneer panels and the marble-crete street level cornice. The proposed project aims to continue the restoration. Currently, the Montana Building is commercially operated, with retail space on the street level and offices on floors 2-6.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- The exterior façade was partially restored in 2010, but the restoration work needs to be completed.
- Existing paint finishes occurring on the majority of the building are faded and deteriorating.
- Windows are original construction and after 114 years of operation use are worn, damaged, and/or no longer close properly.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will include:
- Removal of exterior paint finishes to expose original masonry
- Masonry repair and repointing
- Removal of non-historic façade elements including fabric awnings and aluminum storefront doors and windows
- Rehabilitation and restoration of the original wood window sashes and frames

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards. The applicant stated they have consulted with SHPO and the Missoula Historic Preservation Commission to ensure the work is in accordance with the SOI standards.

Project No. 47 Urban Renewal Associates, LLC, Penwell Building
Restoration of the Penwell Building through removal of lead paint and non-compatible finishes. Project will also entail masonry repairs.

This application received 850 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 47 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Urban Renewal Associates	Bank Loan	$853,913*	Committed*
Project Total		**$1,353,913***	

*The application reflected some inconsistencies regarding the amount of the match, the status of matching funds, and the projected project total. If awarded the applicant will need to clarify the budget and status of matching funds.

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Penwell Building, completed in 1910, is a primary contributing resource within Missoula's Southside Historic District. It is one of the first commercial buildings erected in the area today referred to as the "Hip Strip." For 114 years, the building has provided short- and long-term lodging while also housing a variety of commercial establishments. Currently, the building houses 36 residential units and 6 commercial businesses. Ownership of the building has changed frequently over the last century, resulting in modifications that have either removed or obscured some of the building's character-defining features.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Deterioration of exterior brick masonry.
- ❑ Exterior paint missing in areas.
- ❑ Window sashes are worn and peeling.
- ❑ Lead paint on exterior.
- ❑ Historically inaccurate brick base on storefronts.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Restore storefront base
- ❑ Remove hazardous materials

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

Condition – *If awarded, the applicant will need to clarify the budget and status of matching funds.*

Project No. 48 Anaconda Benevolent Protective Order of Elks Lodge 239, Anaconda Elks Club
Full replacement of electrical system to bring the building up to code, including new panels, wiring, outlets, and fixtures.

This application received 845 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 48 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$429,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Matching Funds	Grant	$30,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$459,000**	

Applicant type – Non-profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Anaconda Lodge 239, of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, was constructed in 1891 to house the offices and printing plant of the Anaconda Standard Newspaper on the ground floor and Montana executive offices of the Anaconda Copper Mining Company (ACM) on the second floor. The Anaconda Standard was founded by Marcus Daly, the General Manager of the ACM. Following Daly's death in 1900, the ACM offices were moved to Butte and the second floor of the building was used as general office space. In the early 1950s, the ACM converted the building into the Anaconda Company Employees Club. ACM closed the club in 1959. The Anaconda Benevolent Protective Order of Elks purchased the building in 1962 and completed a major renovation of the structure. Today, the building both houses the Elks Club and functions as Deer Lodge County's Civic Center. The building's electrical system is outdated and incapable of meeting the needs of contemporary use.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ The electrical system is outdated and does not meet the needs of a contemporary structure.
- ❑ Electrical circuits in the kitchen are insufficient for modern appliances.
- ❑ The lighting is outdated, and light switches need replacement.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Hire an electrical contractor to trace existing circuits
- ❑ Install a large capacity service panel
- ❑ Install sub-panels on each floor
- ❑ Rewire the building in its entirety with wiring, outlets, switches, and updated light fixtures

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

Conditions – *If awarded the applicant must complete the Environmental Review process or provide the missing documentation regarding the public meeting. The applicant must also provide proof of match.*

Project No. 49 Sidney Yellowstone Merc LLC, *Yellowstone Perc*

Interior and exterior repairs, including installation of fire suppression system, uncovering of exterior stairways, addition of ADA restrooms, replacement of second story windows, and removal of siding covering original brickwork.

This application received 830 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 49 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Stockman Business	Loan	$140,000	Confirmed
Richland Revolving Loan	Loan	$100,000	Confirmed
Montana Main Street	Grant	$50,000	Confirmed
Sidney Yellowstone Merc LLC	Cash	$100,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$890,000***	

***** The Commerce Review Team noted some inconsistencies regarding the proposed total project costs. The applicant listed the total project cost as $750k (500k requested MHPG funding; 250k confirmed match), but the list of funding sources totals $890k, including 390k in confirmed matching funds

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Located at the intersection of Central Avenue and Main Street in Sidney, the original Yellowstone Mercantile Building was constructed in 1906, and sold goods shipped up the Yellowstone River by steamship. The 25,000 sq. ft. building is one of the few remaining historic buildings in downtown Sidney. In 2011, the building's remaining retail business closed, and the building was inaccessible to the public until 2022 when it was it was sold to its current owner. After standing vacant for 2 years, the building is now undergoing renovation for use as a downtown events venue with a capacity for 50 people. Upon completion, the building will also house a coffee shop.

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

- The fire suppression system is outdated, and the building is out of compliance with city and state building codes.
- In 1970, steel siding was added to the building, covering two stories of single-pane glass windows, brick columns, and exterior crown molding.
- The windows are damaged and limit the climate control of the building.
- The sidewalks are caving into the building's basement.
- Neither restroom is ADA-compliant.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Install a fire suppression system
- Uncover exterior stairways
- Install ADA accessible restrooms
- Replace 2nd story windows
- Remove exterior steel siding covering the original brickwork

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and has consulted with SHPO.

Condition – *If awarded, the applicant must provide additional documentation regarding the public meeting component of the Environmental Review.*

Project No. 50 West Valley Property, LLC, *Superior Schoolhouse*
Rehabilitation of the original (1916) Superior School house building and 1925 gymnasium, including repairs to insulation, windows, roofing, and mechanical/electrical systems. Upgrades will also include assessment of ADA accessibility issues.

This application received 820 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 50 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
West Valley Properties	Cash	$295,000	Confirmed
Construction Loan	Loan	$500,000	Pending
Project Total		**$1,295,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The original Superior Schoolhouse is a raised 2 ½ story brick building built in 1915 and 1916 by local builder Charles Augustine. The building is an example of Colonial Revival style architecture and was the first substantial public building constructed in the small mining/lumber town of Superior, Montana. Two additional construction projects were undertaken to enlarge the school in 1925 and 1947. The north-side 1925 addition added a multi-purpose room, kitchen and gymnasium to the facility. The south-side 1947 addition added six more classrooms, an administrative office and a sick room to the complex. The complex housed Superior's elementary and secondary school students until its closure in 1995. Currently, the 1916 structure sits vacant. The 1925 and 1947 additions were transformed into commercial spaces and currently house a variety of tenants, although the 1925 structure needs upgrades. The Superior Schoolhouse is independently listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Deteriorated and damaged insulation.
- ❑ Deteriorated and damaged windows.
- ❑ Deteriorated and damaged roofing.
- ❑ Code violations.
- ❑ Substantial mechanical and electrical issues.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Upgrade thermal envelope (insulation, roofing, windows)
- ❑ Rebuild roof
- ❑ Upgrade electrical and mechanical systems
- ❑ Address ADA accessibility
- ❑ Address egress to building

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

Project No. 51 Libby Lofts, LLC, *Historic Libby High School/Libby Lofts*
Exterior work to the vacant historic High School building (now Libby Lofts), including rebuilding the bowed exterior wall, replacement of collapsed/damaged portions of roof, and window replacement.

This application received 815 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 51 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
City of Libby Community/Economic Development Grant	Grant	$138,000	Pending
Libby Lofts, LLC Members	Capital Contribution	$71,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$709,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The historic Libby High School building was built in 1916 and received an addition in 1926. Between 1916 and 2000 it served as a high school, an elementary school, and a community college. The 27,240 sq. ft. structure was vacated in 2000, at which point the building, and its 1.74 acres began to deteriorate. Libby Lofts, LLC purchased the building in 2007, but the majority owner passed away shortly thereafter, and the project was stalled until 2023. In 2023, Libby Lofts, LCC reorganized with new owners. The 3-year projected goal is to first stabilize and rehabilitate the building (Phase I) and then establish 26 midlevel apartment units, a free-to-use community room with historic displays, and landscaping (Phase II). The applicant is seeking MHPG funding for Phase I. The building is independently listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- The exterior of the building is in serious disrepair, and in need of roof and exterior wall repair to protect the structural integrity of the building.
- Traditional financing for the rehabilitation of the building (Phase II) cannot be secured until immediate safety concerns are addressed, and the structural integrity of the building secured (Phase I).

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Rebuild the bowed exterior wall
- Replace the damaged and/or collapsed portions of the roof
- Replace all the windows to meet the SOI standards for historic preservation

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards. The applicant has consulted with SHPO.

Project No. 52 333 Skyline LLC, *Historic Montgomery Ward Building*

Restoration of historic Montgomery Ward building, including installation of sprinkler system and water line, HVAC upgrades, the addition of one ADA compliant restroom & renovation of existing restrooms for ADA compliance, and the installation of an elevator.

This application received 795 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 52 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Owner Funds	Cash	$131,000	Confirmed
Stockman Bank	Loan	1,569,000	Pending
Project Total		**$2,200,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The 1928 Montgomery Ward Building, a cornerstone of the Kalispell Main Street Historic District, features distinctive Gothic-inspired architecture and decorative brickwork. For over 50 years, the building served as a commercial hub but is currently non-operational due to its inability to meet contemporary safety and accessibility standards. The building is independently listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Plans for the building include adapting the ground floor to house commercial and office spaces, converting the mezzanine into a lounge area that celebrates the building's past, and restoring the grand ballroom on the top floor as a functional event space.

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

- The building does not meet contemporary safety or accessibility standards.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will

- Install a fire suppression system
- Update the electrical system
- Replace the current HVAC system with a modern, energy-efficient system
- Renovate existing 2nd and 3rd floor bathrooms for ADA compliance
- Add an ADA bathroom on the main level
- Install an elevator

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards but more exposition regarding the exposed joints would have strengthened the application.

Project No. 53 Billings Depot Inc., *Billings Depot Caboose*

Full restoration of the caboose to repair all exterior and interior damage and convert the caboose into a multi-use event space. Proposed work includes repair and sealing of walls and roof; repainting of walls, roof, and railings; repair of bathroom; repair and restoration of original wood stove, conductor seating, and workspaces.

This application received 790 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 53 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$236,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Depot Fundraising	Donation	$59,000	Pending
Project Total		**$295,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy (CB&Q) 13872 caboose was built in 1917 and was donated to the Billings Depot in 1998. The caboose currently resides on the depot campus along the historic Montana Avenue district in downtown Billings. The Billings Depot is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and spans four full city blocks. The Depot was constructed in 1909 to service three railroads and greatly influenced the development of Billings. Due to severe weather damage and vandalism, the caboose remains vacant and unusable except as a backdrop for photos. During the 2023 legislative session (2025 Biennium), the Billings Depot was awarded $414,400 in MHPG funding for repairs and improvements to the main depot building. The project is slated for completion in 2026.

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

- Weather damage to the exterior of the caboose, including the roof, windows, and walls.
- Deterioration of the wood and damage to doors due to vandalism.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will

- Repaint exterior walls, roof and railings
- Repair all weather damage to the interior
- Repair bathroom and create a serving area for food & beverage
- Repair and restore original wood stove, conductor seating and workspaces
- Remodel the interior space to function as a modular meeting / dining space with functioning windows giving access to the exterior courtyards on campus

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

Condition – *If awarded the applicant must complete the Environmental Review process.*

Project No. 54 Town of West Yellowstone, *Union Pacific Dining Lodge*
Complete roof replacement over the Mammoth Room section of the Union Pacific Dining Lounge.

This application received 790 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 53 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,00	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Town of West Yellowstone	Cash	$495,300	Confirmed
Town of West Yellowstone	Cash	$134,700	Pending approval of FY25 Budget
Project Total		**$1,130,000**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1926, the Union Pacific Dining Lodge was funded by the Union Pacific Railroad and constructed to serve train passengers visiting Yellowstone Park. When Union Pacific ceased railroad operations in the area in the 1960s, the Dining Lodge and other similar properties were given to the Town of West Yellowstone. Currently, the Town of West Yellowstone leases the structure to the Yellowstone Historic Center (YHC), a local non-profit dedicated to historic preservation. YHC uses the building as an event venue with a capacity of 500 and to house its administrative offices. A 2020 engineering assessment identified structural deficiencies with a portion of the roof. Based on structural concerns, the building is not available for events between mid-October and May. Replacing the roof would enable a longer event season and increased revenue.

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

- A section of the Union Pacific Dining Lodge is covered by an unstable roof, threatening the structural stability of the entire structure.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Complete a roof replacement over the Mammoth Room section of the Union Pacific Dining Lodge

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and has consulted with SHPO.

Condition – *If awarded the applicant must complete the public meeting component of the Environmental Review process.*

Project No. 55 Prairie County Museum & Evelyn Cameron Gallery, Inc., *State Bank of Terry Building*

Preservation of the building by stabilizing the foundation and repairing the masonry, drainage system, roof, and windows.

This application received 745 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 55 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$72,478	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Not Identified	Cash	$11,022	Confirmed
In-kind Services	*Not Identified*	$5,511	Confirmed
Project Total		**$89,011**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; History Museum/Historic Site

Project History – The State Bank of Terry was established in 1905, and its first building was constructed in 1906 out of cement blocks. The building was relocated to its current location in 1917, following a population boom due to the Milwaukee Railroad expansion. The Bank was able to withstand the widespread bank closures of the 1920s. Today it remains one of the only remaining cement buildings in Terry. The building now serves as part of the Prairie County Museum, which is open during the summer months and by appointment throughout the year.

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

- Unstable foundation.
- Inadequate drainage system.
- Damaged masonry.
- Roof leakage.
- Leaking and deteriorating windows.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will

- Repair masonry, drainage system, roof, and windows
- Stabilize the foundation

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

Project No. 56 Downtowner Group LLC, *Downtowner Building*
Roof repair and restoration of exterior masonry.

This application received 740 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 56 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$273,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Downtowner Group, LLC	Cash	$69,000	Confirmed
Project Total		**$342,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – F.L. Benepe, two-time mayor of Bozeman, constructed the Downtowner Building (formerly the F.L. Benepe Agricultural Implements Building) to house his agricultural implements business which catered to farmers throughout the Gallatin Valley. Despite various interior and exterior modifications throughout its history (most notably its 1977 transformation in to "The Downtowner Mall"), the structure still displays the original painted sign on the west side of the building. The building is mentioned on the U.S. Department of Interiors list of National Places based on its connections to agricultural growth in the Gallatin Valley. Currently, the structure functions as a multi-use commercial building housing 19 retail, restaurant, and professional spaces.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Multiple roof leaks and seepage have developed over the last 2-3 years, exposing deficiencies in the EPDM layer of the roof.
- Portions of the exterior masonry are deteriorating and present safety hazards.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Repair the damaged EPDM roof
- Repair and replace damaged brickwork on the second story

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

Project No. 57 Basin, Inc., *The Red Barn at Hagerman Ranch*
Renovation of the Red Barn to add foundation and upgrade electrical and plumbing systems.

This application received 720 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 57 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$228,800	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Basin, Inc.	Cash	$57,200	Committed
Project Total		**$286,000**	

Applicant type – For Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Situated on a working ranch along the banks of the Yellowstone River, the Red Barn at Hagerman Ranch has a single-story, pitched roof and wide sliding door for the main entrance. Most of the barn structure has not been maintained for the past 30 years. The building faces structural insecurity due to lack of a foundation and deferred maintenance. The stated goal of the project is to preserve the historic structure, provide a needed events venue, and enable visitors to foster an appreciation for historic and contemporary ranch life.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- Structural insecurity caused by lack of a foundation.
- Outdated electrical and plumbing systems.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Lay a foundation
- Upgrade electrical and plumbing systems

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

Condition – *If awarded the applicant must provide documentation of a completed Environmental Review.*

Project No. 58 Golden Triangle Development LLC, *Project 400*

Renovation of building, including moving of electrical box, restoration of exterior to original appearance, ceiling repairs, and vermin mitigation. The full project calls for repurposing of building for commercial and housing spaces.

This application received 710 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 58 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$378,167	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Golden Triangle Development, LLC	Cash	$94,542	Pending
Project Total		**$472,709**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Built in 1909, 400 South Main was a multipurpose building that housed Conrad's largest mercantile company (Conrad Mercantile Co.), Conrad's primary hotel (The Ryan Hotel – later the Conrad Hotel), one of Conrad's first banks (Pondera Velley State Bank), and the townsite office. During Prohibition, the building housed Conrad's largest speakeasy in the cellar and basement of the building. Many of the speakeasy features remain intact.

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

- Unsafe electrical power box.
- Leaking roof and water damage.
- Unusable space due to rodent and vermin nuisance.
- Lack of elevator.
- 2nd floor vandalism.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:

- Move the electrical box to exterior of building
- Preserve and refinish the exterior facade
- Patch two ceiling leaks
- Clean-up vacant spaces

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

Project No. 59 Villa Theatre Foundation, *Villa Theatre*
Installation of HVAC system and upgrades to existing gas lines to ensure code compliance.

This application received 705 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 59 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
In-Kind Donation	Donation	$33,333	Confirmed
Fundraising Campaign	Cash	$50,000	In Progress
Montana Foundation	Grant	$2,000	Pending
Reimagine Rural	Grant	$2,000	Pending
Phil Co Development	Grant	$2,000	Pending
SBA Business Loan	Loan	$5,000	Pending
Bear Paw Development	Grant	$4,000	Pending
Villa Theatre	Cash	$1,667	Confirmed
Project Total		**$600,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Villa Theatre in Malta was built in 1955 as a 500-seat venue. Currently, the Villa Theatre cannot operate year-round or at full capacity due to the instability of the existing climate control system, which was installed during the original construction and relies on out-of-compliance gas meters.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- The building is unheated.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Install an HVAC system
- Upgrade the existing gas meters to ensure code compliance

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

Condition - *If awarded the applicant must complete the public meeting portion of the Environmental Review process.*

Project No. 60 Brooks Adventures LLC DBA RB Drive-In, *RB Drive-In*
Internal and external renovations, including upgrades to HVAC system, revitalization of original 1950s signage, painting of exterior brick, ceiling replacement, and insulation installation.

This application received 700 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 60 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$109,035.20	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Brooks Adventures LLC	Cash	$27,258.80	Confirmed
Project Total		**$136,294.00**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – Founded in 1948, the 982 sq. ft RB Drive-In is reportedly Montana's oldest drive-in restaurant, and includes historic Order-Matics, carhops, and authentic 1950s decor. It is open year-round despite deficiencies that make it difficult and expensive to operate during the winter months. The building includes a dining room for customers, a small storage area, and a kitchen for food preparation. The business employs many local students.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- The building was not intended for use during the winter season, as it is not equipped with insulation nor heat.
- The 2 original RB signs need restoration.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will:
- Upgrade the HVAC system
- Restore the original 1950s signage
- Paint exterior brick
- Install a new ceiling and insulation

***Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties* -** It appears the applicant did not consider the SOI standards and the SOI standards may not be applicable to the project.

Condition – *If awarded the applicant must complete the Environmental Review process.*

Project No. 61 Homeword, Inc. *Lenox Flats LLC*
Chiller and roof replacements, masonry restoration, painting of wooden structures, flooring replacement, window caulking, and addition of video surveillance. ***The Commerce Review Team notes that the chiller and roof membrane were replaced with the 2023 (2025 Biennium) MHPG funding.***

This application received 695 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 61 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$188,330	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Replacement Reserve	Reserves	$20,400	Committed
Homeword Loan	Loan	$26,900	Committed
Project Total		**$235,630**	

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 its construction and served as the Lenox Hotel from 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 floors using Low Income Housing Tax Credits and HUD HOME funding. The 1st floor functions as a 2,500 sq. foot commercial space. It has been over 20 years since the initial redevelopment and repairs are needed. In 2023, Homeword, Inc. was awarded 3 separate MHPG awards, including $100,000 for the Lenox Flats building. The grant was closed-out in August of 2024. The applicant spent 100% of the award in replacing the chiller and the flat roof membrane, as well as repairing and painting portions of the exterior porches and balconies. In re-applying, the implication is that the previously awarded funds (~1/3 of the request) were not sufficient to complete the full project as proposed.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Exterior brick needs minor repointing and repair.
- ❑ Flooring in the common area is showing wear.
- ❑ Exterior wooden trim has peeling and worn paint.
- ❑ Deteriorating or missing window caulking.
- ❑ The fire panel is no longer code compliant.
- ❑ Security issues in the neighborhood warrant security measures.

Proposed Solution* – The proposed project will
- ❑ Repoint and repair the exterior brick walls
- ❑ Paint wooden trim and architectural elements
- ❑ Re-caulk windows
- ❑ Replace flooring in the interior common area
- ❑ Replace the existing fire panel to bring it up to applicable building code
- ❑ Install security cameras

**The Commerce Review Team removed previously completed work (chiller replacement and roof membrane replacement) from the list of proposed solutions*

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

Project No. 62 Yellowstone Gateway Museum Foundation, *Yellowstone Gateway Museum of Park County*

Construction of a storage and research facility to be attached to existing structure and installation of climate control systems to protect collections.

This application received 695 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 61 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$499,620	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Park County	Grant	$50,000	Confirmed
Volunteer and Staff Contributions	In-Kind	$30,000	Confirmed
Yellowstone Gateway Museum Foundation	Grant	$25,000	Pending
Project Total		**$604,620**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; History Museum

Project History – The Yellowstone Gateway Museum houses nearly 50,000 artifacts and archival materials related to Montana's cultural and natural history—particularly the Anzick site and Yellowstone National Park. The museum aims to provide visitors and locals alike with historic insights into Montana and the American west. With the proposed project, the applicant seeks to construct a new collection, research, and storage facility.

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

- Lack of climate-controlled storage area for 50,000 artifacts and archival materials.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will

- Construct a collections storage and research facility
- Install climate control systems

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant considered the SOI standards and will adhere to best practices for preserving historic integrity.

Condition - *If awarded the applicant will need to complete the Environmental Review process.*

Project No. 63 Lonesome Prairie Properties LLC, *Main Street Building*
Upgrades to electrical, plumbing, heating, and cooling systems. Other repairs include flooring restoration and structural repair, installation of new insulation, window replacement and upgrades, and installation of ADA compliant entries and exits.

This application received 670 points out of a possible 1,200 points and ranked 63 out of 63 for funding in the 2027 Biennium.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	Status of Funds
MHPG	Grant	$232,000	Awaiting decision of the Legislature
Lonesome Prairie Properties, LLC	Cash	$58,000	Pending
Project Total		**$290,000**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The 1919 Main Street Building was the first insurance building built after Harlowton's Main Street Fire in the 1900s. This brick building was first owned by Lynn & Dunn and housed their insurance company and a title office. Currently, the building is vacant. The owners intend to re-open it is a commercial building with space available for a youth art gallery.

Identified Problem – The applicant's need include resolving deficiencies that include the following:
- ❑ Upgrades the electrical, plumbing, heating, and cooling systems.
- ❑ Flooring needs restoration.
- ❑ Windows are damaged and/or deteriorating.
- ❑ Lack of ADA compliant entries and exits.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will
- ❑ Install a new electrical system
- ❑ Upgrade plumbing
- ❑ Add new insulation
- ❑ Repair/replace and weatherproof windows
- ❑ Restore original flooring
- ❑ Upgrade heating and cooling systems
- ❑ Add ADA compliant doors and entries

Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties – It appears the applicant did not consider the SOI standards.

Condition – *If awarded the applicant must complete the Environmental Review Process.*

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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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	43 %
Health Resources Services Administration	Grant	$590,893	57 %
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 façade.

Project Status – Not contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The applicant has not withdrawn, nor have they indicated if they intend to pursue the project and retain the grant. From the date of award (May 2023) through July 2024, Commerce staff emailed the awardee monthly or bimonthly. Starting in July 2024, Commerce staff emailed or called the grantee weekly until the September 1, 2024 deadline passed. Commerce staff requests legislative approval to terminate the grant and revert the funds to the program.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$272,000	80 %
Friends of HMFM	Cash	$20,000	6 %
Private Foundation	Grant	$30,000	9 %
Fundraising Campaign	Cash	$18,684	5 %
Project Total		**$340,684**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; History Museum/Historic Site

Project History – HMFM provides free programs for elementary, high school, and college students, serving an additional 5,000 students each year. HMFM 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:

- HMFM 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.

Project Status – Withdrawn. The applicant was awarded less than requested and was not confident they could complete the project for which they had applied with reduced funding. Therefore, the applicant withdrew, and the $175,200 grant funds were reverted to the program. The applicant has re-applied for a different project this cycle.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	34.72 %
Museum Cash Account	Cash	$30,000	2.08 %
Mountain West Dynamark	Material donation	$19,750	1.37 %
Gibson Well Repair & Earth Moving	Material donation	$2,000	0.14 %
Dueling Dinosaurs, LLC	Material donation	$2,250	0.16 %
Tom Wankel	Material donation	$10,000	0.69 %
Montana Tourism Grant	Grant	$25,000	1.74 %
Garfield County Endowment	Grant	$3,000	0.21 %
Central Montana Foundation	Grant	$20,000	1.39 %
Montana History Foundation	Grant	$25,000	1.74 %
Montana Historical Society	Grant	$20,000	1.39 %
Nibs and Edna Allen Foundation	Grant	$5,000	0.35 %
Stockman Bank	Grant	$10,000	0.69 %
First Interstate Bank	Grant	$5,000	0.35 %
Northwest Farm Credit Service	Grant	$5,000	0.35 %
Mountain West	Grant	$5,000	0.35 %
Institute of Museum and Library	Grant	$25,000	1.74 %
MDOC-CDBG (PAR)	Grant	$50,000	3.47 %
Garfield County Bank	Cash	$3,000	0.21 %
Town Pump	Grant	$5,000	0.35 %
Memorial fund raising	Cash	$10,000	0.69 %
McCone Electric	Grant	$5,000	0.35 %
In-Kind Donations	Cash	$200,000	13.89 %
Monetary Pledges	Cash	$200,000	13.89 %
Clearwater Energy	Grant	$5,000	0.35 %
Montana Coal Board	Grant	$7,000	0.49 %
Various Fundraisers	Cash	$245,000	17.01 %
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.

Project Status – Withdrawn. The applicant decided to not move forward with the project. The $400,000 in grant funds have been reverted to the program.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$166,073	71 %
Montana Heritage Commission	Capital	$68,000	29 %
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.

Project Status – Withdrawn. The applicant decided not to move forward with the project at this time. The $161,201 in grant funds have been reverted to the program.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$90,040	80 %
Original Montana Club Cooperative Association	In Kind	$1,000	1 %
Original Montana Club Cooperative Association	Cash	$8,726	7 %
Punk Ward Fund	Cash	$11,000	10 %
Lewis & Clark County Heritage Tourism Council	Grant	$2,000	2 %
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 and upgrading three bathrooms with ADA complaint features such as grab bars, outward swinging doors, compliant faucet handles and widened doors.

Project Status – Not Contracted. The building was sold before the awardee contracted with the Department of Commerce. The new owner would like to proceed with the project and requests legislative approval to transfer the grant.

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75 Park Street LLC, *Kelly Block Building*

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Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	52 %
75 Park Street LLC	Cash	$468,300	48 %
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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	43 %
One Health	Cash	$653,202	57 %
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 need 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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 downtown that hosts 100+ events each year, anchoring downtown Billings and bringing 10,000 individuals into the area.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$414,400	79 %
DBA Space to Place	Grant	$5,000	1 %
Billings Depot, Inc.	Cash	$103,600	20 %
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 lunchroom (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.
- 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.

Project Status - Contracted. As of September 2024, $14,400 in grant funds have been expended. Project is 29% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	72 %
Moss Mansion	Money Market Account	$100,000	14 %
Moss Mansion	Fundraising	$100,000	14 %
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 causes ruptured pipes. The deficiency appears to have been present for many years but 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $472,750.70 in grant funds have been expended. Project is 92% complete.

Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation – *Blackfoot Spiritual & Heritage Center

Construction of a Blackfeet Spiritual & Heritage Center, named the "Buffalo Bull Lodge."

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	20%
Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation	Match	$1,986,380	80%
Project Total		**$2,486,380**	

Applicant type – Government; History Museum

Scope of the Work - The proposed project will include construction of a Blackfeet Spiritual & Heritage Center, named the "Buffalo Bull Lodge."

Project Status - Contracted. As of September 2024, $234,352.96 in grant funds have been expended. 47% of MHPG funds are expended.

*Project was added to HB12 by the legislature.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$136,366	80 %
Buses of Yellowstone Preservation Trust	Cash	$24,092	14 %
Montana History Foundation	Grant	$10,000	6 %
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 the 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 have 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $74,214.59 in grant funds have been expended. Project is 60% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$340,000	80 %
Cascade County Historical Society	Cash	$76,000	18 %
LPW Architecture	In-kind donation	$9,000	2 %
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 sparce 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.

Project Status - Contracted. As of September 2024, $337,207 in grant funds have been expended. Project is 62.3% complete.

Cine Billings dba 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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$236,000	79 %
Art House Cinema	Cash	$46,000	15 %
Contractors, Architects, Engineers	In-Kind	$19,000	6 %
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. 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 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.

Project Status - Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

ClarDan, LLC, *Walkerville Community Market

Construction of historic front windows. Replacement of flooring and ceiling to meet fire code.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$25,000	32 %
ClarDan Match	Match	$32,450	42 %
Dpt. Of Agriculture	Match	$20,000	26 %
Project Total		**$77,450**	

Applicant type – For-Profit; Historic Site

Scope of the Work - The proposed project will include construction of historic front windows and replacement of flooring and ceiling to meet fire code.

Project Status - Complete. As of September 2024, $25,000 in grant funds have been expended.

*Project was added by the legislature to HB5.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$235,000	84 %
Copper Village Museum Building Fund	Cash	$23,500	8 %
URA	Grant	$15,000	5 %
Anaconda Community Foundation	Grant	$5,000	2 %
Anaconda Deer Lodge County Discretionary Fund	Grant	$3,500	1 %
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 on 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$100,000	80 %
Daly Mansion	Cash	$20,000	20 %
Project Total		**$120,000**	

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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

Deer Lodge, City of, *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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$283,500	80 %
City of Deer Lodge	Cash	$72,000	20 %
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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	48 %
FPFAC Funding	Savings	$147,945	14 %
Murdoch Family Trust	Grant	$350,000	33 %
Treacy Foundation	Grant	$50,000	5 %
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 **r**emoving 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $50,000 in grant funds have been expended. 10% of MHPG funds have been expended.

Friends of the Historic Libby Hotel, *Historic Hotel Libby*

Reroofing the Historic Hotel Libby to allow all additional renovation projects to move forward with the goal of opening as a fully functional hotel for the community of Libby.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$173,659	78 %
Friends of the Historic Libby Hotel	Cash	$8,756	4 %
Friends of the Historic Libby Hotel	Cash	$34,658	15 %
Washington Foundation	Grant	$5,000	3 %
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 has been completed. The roof sheathing has become soft, missing roof 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 replacing 100 feet of the main support beams, 2-3 damaged trusses, roof and shingles.

Project Status – Complete. As of September 2024, $174,659 of grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$493,200	80 %
GNPC	Donors/Foundations/Grants	$117,105	20 %
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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

Great Falls, City of, *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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$250,000	63 %
City of Great Falls	Cash	$147,300	37 %
Project Total		**$397,300**	

Applicant type – Government; Historic Site

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.

Project Status - Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

Harlowton, City of, *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

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$375,000	50.67 %
EPA Brownfields	Grant	$75,000	10.14 %
Snowy Mountain Development Corporation's Brownfields Area-wide Assessment Grant	Loan	$40,000	5.41 %
Snowy Mountain Development Corporation's Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grant	Grant	$250,000	33.78 %
Project Total		**$515,000**	

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 into three phases with the proposed project being in phase 2.

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

- The 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 project proposed was to secure the building against water intrusion and vandalism, and repair the exterior walls, windows, and doors to properly insulate and provide a weathertight enclosure so the Roundhouse could be open to the public. The applicant has requested an amendment to their contract to reduce the scope of work to focus on removing and repairing the roof.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$359,672	80 %
Havre Beneath the Streets	Cash	$65,000	15 %
Schine Electric	In-Kind	$2,500	1 %
Bear Paw Development Corporation	In-Kind	$20,000	4 %
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 includes 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, and removing and replacing the lighting, security system, and handicap stairlift in that area.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $103,590 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 15% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$31,000	62 %
Hockaday Museum of Art	In-Kind	10,000	20 %
Airworks, Inc	In-Kind	$2,500	5 %
Hartley Foundation	Grant	$5,000	10 %
Northwestern Energy	Grant	$1,500	3 %
Project Total		**$50,000**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

Project History – The Hockaday Museum of Art is in the 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Projects
MHPG	Grant	$100,000	79 %
Replacement Reserves	Reserves	$30,000	8 %
Homeword Loan	Loan	$50,500	13 %
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.

Project Status – Complete. As of September 2024, $100,000 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Projects
MHPG	Grant	$100,00	78 %
Replacement Reserves	Cash	$30,000	8 %
Homeword Loan	Loan	$52,300	14 %
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 its construction during Missoula's rapidly expanding economy in the early 1900s. Most significantly, the building was registered as the Lenox Hotel between 1922-1981. Homeward, 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 soon,
- 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.

Project Status – Complete. As of September 2024, $100,000 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Projects
MHPG	Grant	$100,00	80 %
Ouellette Place Refinance Funds	Reserves	$71,900	20 %
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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $48,850 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 99% complete.

Joliet Town of, *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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$83,000	83 %
Town of Joliet	Cash	$17,000	17 %
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 its 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, needs 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 a 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $34,374.50 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 50% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$119,688	80 %
Nibs & Edna Allen Foundation	Grant	$17,200	11 %
Miles City Convent Keepers	Cash	$13,425	9 %
Project Total		**$150,313**	

Applicant type – Non-Profit; Historic Site

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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $91,799.30 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 77% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$200,000	80 %
Elks Members	In-Kind donation- 2,500 hours @$20/hr	$50,000	20 %
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:

- Most 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 the 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Projects
MHPG	Grant	$92,963	80 %
Greater Polson Community Foundation	Grant	$3,000	2 %
Misc. Barn Raising funds	Cash	$1,500	1.3 %
Miracle of America Museum funds	Cash	$18,000	15 %
In-kind labor	In-kind (100 hours@ $20/hr)	$2,000	1.7 %
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.

Project Status – Complete. As of September 2024, $92,963 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$141,250	62 %
Montana Heritage Commission	Capital	$85,000	38 %
Project Total		**$226,250**	

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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$300,000	15 %
Private Museum Donor	Estate Gift	$1,700,000	85 %
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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$300,979	81.7 %
Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art	Cash	$65,479	17.7 %
Sherwin Williams	In-Kind Donation	$671	0.2 %
Big Sky National Heritage Grant	Grant	$1000	0.3 %
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 educational programs. There have 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 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $292,708 in grant funds have been expended. 97% of MHPG funds have been expended.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$498,720	30 %
CDBG Housing	Grant	$600,000	36 %
Private Contributions	Cash	$400,000	24 %
Steele-Reese Foundation	Grant	$75,000	5 %
Wells-Fargo Foundation	Grant	$50,000	3 %
Treacy Foundation	Grant	$26,280	2 %
Project Total		**$1,650,000**	

Applicant type – Government; 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $43,611.95 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 5% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$392,277	69 %
Project49	Cash	$179,000	31 %
Project Total		**$571, 277**	

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 was 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 needs 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $20,314 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 14% complete.

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 needs to be completed before further restoration work in the Gregory T. Harper Hall can continue.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$367,578	80 %
Treacy Foundation	Grant	$36,639	8 %
Montana History Foundation	Grant	$10,000	2 %
Hansberger Foundation	Grant	$15,000	3 %
Red lodge Area Community Foundation	Cash	$30,255	7 %
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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $78,358.29 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 45% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$211,590	58.88 %
SGS Properties- Window replacement (2021)	In-Kind	$88,000	24.49 %
SGS Properties- Construction (2022)	In- Kind	$12,800	3.56 %
SGS Properties	Cash	$37,000	10.29 %
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 many 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.

Project Status - Contracted. As of September 2024, $27,248.84 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 25% complete.

Shelby, City of, *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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$5,600	80 %
City of Shelby	General Fund	$1,400	20 %
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 because 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 the 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.

Project Status – Complete. As of September 2024, $5,600 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$116,000	79 %
Owner Sonja Maxwell	Cash	$30,000	21 %
Project Total		**$146,000**	

*During the 2023 legislative session, the Charles Krug House was sold to Eslick Properties, LLC. Accordingly, Commerce contracted with the new owner, who completed the project.

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.

Project Status - Complete. As of September 2024, $116,000 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$160,000	82 %
SMART	Loan	$35,000	18 %
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 of 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/repointing the brick on the parapet to maintain the historical integrity of the structure.

Project Status – Complete. As of September 2024, $118,552.34 in grant funds have been expended. The remaining $41,447.66 in funding was reverted to the program. The project is 100% complete.

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 in the heart of Columbus, MT and is used for various county offices and functions.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$500,000	23 %
Stillwater County	Cash	$125,200	7 %
Stillwater County	Loan	$1,500,000	70 %
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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $456,332.71 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 15% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$141,773	83 %
Ringling Commons, LLC	Cash	$28,355	17 %
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 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $68,735 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 15% complete.

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.

Funding Source	Type of Funds	Amount	% of Project
MHPG	Grant	$270,000	30 %
Yogo Mansion, LLC	Cash	$100,000	11 %
Bank	Loan	$540,000	59 %
Project Total		**$910, 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**.** 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:

- ❑ The 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.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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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 Crocket Club	Cash	$482,900	37%
Project Total		**$1,302,900**	

Applicant Type - Non-Profit; 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 – Complete. As of September 2024, $500,000 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.

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; 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 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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; 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 – Complete. As of September 2024, $140,000 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.

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; 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 - Complete. As of September 2024, $206,822 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% 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 museum's energy and climate control system 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 museum's 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 2024, $45,597.73 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 9% complete.

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; 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 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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 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 how 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 accommodation 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 educational 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 ADA accessibility.

Project Status – Contracted. As of September 2024, $41,448.48 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 75% complete.

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 has been 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 2024, $0 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 0% complete.

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. Most 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 is 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 2024, $97,887 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 90% complete.

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; 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) has 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 2024, $391,953.97 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 98% complete.

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 2024, $53,919.27 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 43.13% complete.

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 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 for 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 2024, $14,584.88 in grant funds have been expended. 83% of MHPG funds are expended.

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; 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 building's 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 repairs exceeds the cost for replacing the system with a new unit.

Proposed Solution – The proposed project will replace the building's 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 – Complete. As of September 2024, $13,235.20 in grant funds have been expended. 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 – Complete. As of September 2022, $4,904 in grant funds have been expended. The project is 100% complete.