

MONTANA HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT PROGRAM

PROGRAM BUDGET COMPARISON

Figure 40 compares the 2021 biennium appropriated budget to the 2023 biennium appropriated budget by type of expenditure and source of funding.

Figure 40

Program Comparison -Montana Historic Preservation Grant Program				
Budget Item	Budget 2021 Biennium	Budget 2023 Biennium	Biennium Change	Biennium % Change
Number of Grants	2	26	24	1200.0%
Grants Cost	<u>Appropriated</u> \$800,000	<u>Appropriated</u> \$5,490,121	4,690,121	586.3%
Total Costs	\$800,000	\$5,490,121	\$4,690,121	586.3%
State Special	800,000	5,490,121	4,690,121	586.3%
Total Funds	\$800,000	\$5,490,121	\$4,690,121	586.3%

PROGRAM DISCUSSION

The Montana Historic Preservation Grant (MHPG) Program, administered by the Department of Commerce (DOC) and codified in Section 22-3-1305, MCA, provides competitive grants to historical societies, history museums, and other public or private entities for the preservation of Montana’s history and historic sites. MHPG project grants are available on a competitive basis and are submitted to the DOC on a biennial basis. Eligible applicants include, but are not limited to a person, association, or representative of a governing unit.

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE ACTION

The 67th Legislature passed HB 12, increasing the appropriation and therein the number of grants that would be funded. The legislature made several changes to the MHGP, which included:

- Elimination of 10 grant recommendations
 - Three grants in Helena
 - Four grants in Virginia and Nevada Cities
 - Two grants in parks
 - One grant to a town
- Reduced 27 grant awards
- Re-ranked three grants to be included in the funding

The legislature also added language to HB 12 requiring that the grant recipients provide a match of 20.0% of the estimated project costs with the following:

“Projects requested by a local government must provide a 20% match of the total estimated project costs. Projects requested by other entities must provide a 20% match of the recommended grant amount.”

The added language only impacts grants authorized in the 2023 biennium. The addition of the language resulted in the reduction in the funding amount for 27 grant awards, as mentioned above.

Figure 41 on the following pages provides a complete listing of the grants authorized by the 67th Legislature.

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Figure 41

Montana Historic Preservation Grant Program (MHPG) HB 12 - 2023 Biennium					
Rank	Project Title / Project Description	Project Type	Total Project Cost	Grants Awarded	Cummulative Total
1	Yucca Theater in Hysham Repair wall and roof of the Yucca Theater	Historic Site	\$28,600	\$23,300	\$23,300
2	The Dion Block in Glendive Replace roof and improve interior skylights over atrium spaces of Dion Block	Historic Site	275,763	206,822	230,122
2	Crowley Block in Lewistown Restore or replace of cornice, frieze, masonry, windows and doors at the Crowley	Historic Site	7,142,203	412,535	642,657
4	The People's Center in Pablo Upgrade and install new well, sewer system, security upgrades and ADA improvements to the People's Center	History Museum	63,250	50,600	693,257
4	Central School Building in Kalispell Repair, flush, and clean the HVAC system at Central School Building which houses the Northwest Montana History Museum	History Museum	74,151	58,385	751,642
4	Boulder Hot Springs Restore exterior of the Boulder Hot Springs	Historic Site	715,000	498,500	1,250,142
7	10th Street Bridge in Great Falls Install baluster and safety railings on the historic 10th Street Bridge	Historic Site	341,000	125,000	1,375,142
8	Ringling Mansion in White Sulphur Springs Reconstruct Ringling Mansion historic wrap-around porch, including ADA improvements	Historic Site	121,000	89,500	1,464,642
9	Livingston Depot Center Restore historic windows and install storm windows in the Livingston Depot Center	Historic Site	285,663	140,000	1,604,642
9	Seeley Lake Historical Museum & Visitor's Center Replace and install furnace at the Seeley Lake Historical Museum & Visitor's Center	History Museum	15,000	15,000	1,619,642
9	The Heritage Museum in Libby Replace Heritage Museum roof	History Museum	281,950	229,690	1,849,332
12	Carpenters Union Hall in Butte Install fire escape and external elevator, and upgrade building for seismic protection of the Carpenter's Union Hall	Historic Site	381,000	228,600	2,077,932
12	O'Fallon Historical Museum in Baker Rehabilitate foundation of the Fallon County Jail, which houses the O'Fallon Historical Museum.	History Museum	351,361	298,657	2,376,589
12	Paradise Center Install elevator and upgrade ADA features in bathroom facility at Historic Paradise Center	Historic Site	154,025	123,220	2,499,809
16	Blaine County Museum in Chinook Repair foundation of Blaine County Museum	History Museum	75,300	60,240	2,560,049
16	Gardiner Community Center Replace roof and complete structural improvements to the Gardiner Community Center, originally the Gardiner Opera House	Historic Site	650,000	500,000	3,060,049
17	Dillon Public Library Dillon Public Library	Historic Site	14,309	11,447	3,071,496
17	Troy Museum and Visitor Center Troy Museum and Visitor Center	Historic Site	6,539	4,904	3,076,400
17	Old Town Hall in Shelby Repair roof of Old Town Hall	Historic Site	12,000	9,000	3,085,400
21	Mother Lode Theater in Butte Install fire suppression system and alarm system at Mother Lode Theater	Historic Site	550,000	450,000	3,535,400
21	East Barracks at Fort Owen Preserve east barracks at Fort Owen	Historic Site	109,561	81,561	3,616,961
24	Hotel Finlen in Butte Install sprinkler system and safety system in the Hotel Finlen	Historic Site	2,955,060	341,189	3,958,150
24	Museum of the Rockies in Bozeman Construct new roof superstructure to mitigate seismic and roof deficiencies at Museum of the Rockies	History Museum	3,990,528	500,000	4,458,150
26	Milwaukee Depot in Missoula Restore exterior of building including windows, masonry, and roof at the Milwaukee Depot	Historic Site	1,302,900	500,000	4,958,150
26	Missoula Art Museum Upgrade climate control system and improve energy efficiency of the Missoula Art Museum	Historic Site	510,000	419,000	5,377,150
29	Spotted Bear Ranger Station near Hungry Horse Update displays, install wayfinding, and install heating system at the historic Spotted Bear Ranger Station.	History Museum	112,200	72,200	5,449,350
MHPG Funded Projects			20,518,363	5,449,350	
Projects below this line are not funded					

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Figure 41 Continued

Rank	Project Title / Project Description	Project Type	Total Project Cost	Grants Awarded	Cummulative Total
29	Opera House Theater in Phillipsburg Phillipsburg Playhouse Productions	Historic Site	555,200	0	5,449,350
32	Conservation Legacy Center in Missoula Install security system, fire protection, climate control, and storage at the Conservation Legacy Center at the National Museum of Forest Service History.	History Museum	2,000,000	0	5,449,350
34	Billings Depot Refinish exterior doors, repair concrete, renovate caboose, install roof snow spikes, install security camera system and audio-visual equipment, install parking lot signage, and repair flooring at the Billings Depot	Historic Site	505,000	0	5,449,350
34	Yellowstone Historic Center in West Yellowstone Remove existing flooring, asbestos abatement and install concrete floor with in-floor radiant heating	Historic Site	500,000	0	5,449,350
36	Roosevelt School Building in Red Lodge Install fire suppression system at the historic Roosevelt School Building	Historic Site	527,115	0	5,449,350
36	Norton House in Columbus Stabilize foundation, repair and strengthen brick, and replace gutters and install rock apron to control water erosion at Norton House	Historical Society	456,398	0	5,449,350
38	East Helena Volunteer Fireman's Hall Renovate East Helena Volunteer Fireman's Hall	Historic Site	720,000	0	5,449,350
39	Conrad Mansion Museum in Kalispell Upgrade electrical wiring at Conrad Mansion	History Museum	36,000	0	5,449,350
39	Deer Lodge Visitor Center and Discover Deer Lodge Office Improve façade and renovate interior of Deer Lodge Visitor Center and Discover Deer Lodge office	Historic Site	135,000	0	5,449,350
39	Wheeler Property in Glacier National Park Restore Wheeler Property to house Waterton-Glacier Peace Park Center	Historic Site	610,000	0	5,449,350
39	The O'Rourke Building in Butte Stabilize foundation and walls of North Annex at the O'Rourke Building	Historic Site	2,151,250	0	5,449,350
43	Civic Center in Great Falls Replace exterior concrete panels, steps, and roof at Civic Center	Historic Site	5,513,126	0	5,449,350
43	Riverside Park in Laurel Rehabilitate five historic structures in Riverside Park	Historic Site	432,000	0	5,449,350
46	Black Bear Inn in Thompson Falls Rehabilitate roof, windows and brick at Black Bear Inn	Historic Site	95,000	0	5,449,350
47	Placer School in Winston Preserve exterior of Placer School	Historic Site	94,650	0	5,449,350
49	Historic Red Brick Building in Hardin Renovate and improve mechanical systems of historic red brick building in downtown Hardin	Historic Site	41,738	0	5,449,350
49	Rocky Mountain Building in Great Falls Renovate Rocky Mountain Building	Historic Site	18,000,000	0	5,449,350
49	Alberton Railroad Depot Replace windows in the Alberton Community Center	Historic Site	40,168	0	5,449,350
52	Hammond Arcade Building in Missoula Restore interior and exterior of the Hammond Arcade building	Historic Site	744,702	0	5,449,350
52	Ashby Cabin in Lincoln Relocate Ashby Cabin to new museum campus in downtown Lincoln and install artifact storage and display climate control system	Historical Society	31,150	0	5,449,350
52	St Patrick's Mission in Butte Stabilize walls, repair floors and windows, and upgrade electrical system at St. Patrick's Mission	History Museum	43,420	0	5,449,350
55	Kinney Building in Wibaux Repair basement walls, improve façade, upgrade ADA features, and complete Preliminary Architectural Report of the Kinney Block	Historic Site	102,250	0	5,449,350
56	Fromberg Opera House Replace roof, upgrade ADA features at the American Legion Post 71, originally the Fromberg Opera House	Historic Site	89,679	0	5,449,350
56	City Hall in Deer Lodge Stabilize exterior of Deer Lodge City Hall and complete Preliminary Architectural Report	Historic Site	271,000	0	5,449,350
56	Old Fort Benton Reconstruct wall and upgrade kitchen at Old Fort Benton	Historic Site	300,279	0	5,449,350
59	City Hall in Dillon Install elevator and upgrade ADA features at Dillon City Hall	Historic Site	900,000	0	5,449,350

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Rank	Project Title / Project Description	Project Type	Total Project Cost	Grants Awarded	Cummulative Total
62	Miles City Elks Lodge #537 Upgrade plumbing system, electrical system, and ADA features and repair windows at Miles City Elks Lodge	Historic Site	645,850	0	5,449,350
62	W.A. Clark Prison Theater in Deer Lodge Repair roof and improve building structure at W.A. Clark Prison Theater	Historic Site	218,000	0	5,449,350
64	Huntley Project Museum Construct new storage building at Huntley Project Museum	History Museum	55,740	0	5,449,350
64	Sacred Heart Church in Harlem Repair roof, stucco, and floor; paint interior and exterior of building; and install new windows and doors at Sacred Heart Church	Historic Site	151,980	0	5,449,350
66	Rundle Building in Glasgow Improve façade and renovate commercial spaces of Rundle Building	Historic Site	651,600	0	5,449,350
67	Big Timber Civic Center Repair gym floor and bleachers, replace exterior siding, upgrade plumbing and electrical systems, install fire alarm system, repair exterior wall and roof, and complete a Preliminary Architectural Report at Civic Center	Historic Site	675,440	0	5,449,350
67	Bell Street Bridge in Glendive Complete Preliminary Engineering Report for Bell Street Bridge	Historic Site	65,000	0	5,449,350
69	Emerson Center's Crawford Theater in Bozeman Upgrade electrical system, repair interior of the Emerson Center's Crawford Theater	Historic Site	335,000	0	5,449,350
69	Gallatin History Museum in Bozeman Install security and fire protection system at Gallatin History Museum	History Museum	24,188	0	5,449,350
69	Grandey School Building in Terry Restore cupola and dormer windows and install gutters at historic Grandey School Building	Historic Site	220,000	0	5,449,350
72	Hotel Libby Replace roof and beams at historic Hotel Libby	Historic Site	239,000	0	5,449,350
72	Stevensville United Methodist Church Remove and replace roof and roof structure at historic Stevensville Grade School	Historic Site	240,000	0	5,449,350
72	Yellowstone County Museum in Billings Upgrade ADA features at Yellowstone County Museum	History Museum	359,068	0	5,449,350
75	Malta Carnegie Library Replace roof at Malta Carnegie Library	Historic Site	100,000	0	5,449,350
75	Arts & Crafts Building in Lame Deer Renovate the Arts & Crafts Building at Lame Deer	Historic Site	643,300	0	5,449,350
75	The Original Daly Mansion in Hamilton Replace plumbing, electrical, insulation, and windows and improve façade and repair roof at Marcus Daly Home	Historic Site	1,091,730	0	5,449,350
75	Marias Museum of History & Art in Shelby Repair and replace roof at Marias Museum of History & Art	History Museum	28,000	0	5,449,350
79	St Paul's Episcopal Church in Fort Benton Repair building structure, foundation and bricks at St. Paul's Episcopal Church	Historic Site	155,030	0	5,449,350
79	Mineral Museum in Butte Restore floor and abate asbestos at Montana Bureau of Mines and Geology Mineral Museum	Historic Site	158,440	0	5,449,350
81	The Stevensville Historical Museum Upgrade heating, cooling and ventilation system, repair windows, and install insulation at Stevensville Museum	History Museum	37,100	0	5,449,350
82	Pioneer Building in Cut Bank Restore façade, replace roof, install heating, cooling and ventilation system, construct "lean-to" at Pioneer Building	History Museum	220,110	0	5,449,350
82	Victor Heritage Museum Purchase and install climate control system and organize and inventory collection at Victor Heritage Museum	History Museum	5,075	0	5,449,350
84	Kendall Townsite in Lewistown Construct visitor center at Kendall Townsite	Historic Site	1,031,500	0	5,449,350
85	Children's Museum of Montana in Great Falls Install security system, climate control system, and fire protection system in Children's Museum of Montana	History Museum	42,900,000	0	5,449,350
86	Reese Creek School near Belgrade Renovate Reese Creek School	Historic Site	490,540	0	5,449,350
87	Havre Beneath the Streets Repair walls, ceiling and upgrade ADA features in Havre Beneath the Streets	History Museum	200,000	0	5,449,350
89	Old Auditorium in Geraldine Repair and insulate exterior wall at the Old Auditorium	Historic Site	61,266	0	5,449,350

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Rank	Project Title / Project Description	Project Type	Total Project Cost	Grants Awarded	Cummulative Total
90	Wolf Point Area Museum Construct six mock storefronts at Wolf Point Area Museum	History Museum	62,610	0	5,449,350
91	Farmer's Daughter General Store in Hardin Acquire original 20-foot bar to install and restore bar at Farmer's Daughter General Store	Historic Site	93,750	0	5,449,350
92	High Plains Women's Museum in Billings Digitize collection and rent storage unit at High Plains Women's Museum	History Museum	22,000	0	5,449,350
93	Big Horn County Historical Museum in Hardin Construct exhibit building at Big Horn Historical Museum	Historical Society	1,500,000	0	5,449,350
94	Hotel Deer Lodge Replace roof for Hotel Deer Lodge	Historic Site	14,000,000	0	5,449,350
Total MHPG Grants			\$122,094,805	\$5,449,350	

FUNDING

The historic preservation grants account funds appropriations for MHPG projects authorized by the legislature. The account receives revenues as established in 15-68-820, MCA, the accommodations sales tax. The account will receive the following:

- Until December 30, 2024, 5.0% in the account established in 22-3-1307 for historic preservation grants
- Starting January 1, 2025, 6.0% in the account established in 22-3-1307 for historic preservation grants

The allowable uses of the historic preservation account, as provided in 22-3-1307, MCA, “may be used only for historic preservation grants to be administered by the department of commerce.” Unlike many of the other grant programs of the LRP budget, administrative costs are not funded through the grants account. Figure 42 shows the projected balance of the historic preservation grants state special fund for the 2023 biennium. The fund is expected to begin the 2023 biennium with a fund balance of \$1.2 million. Total revenue deposited into the account in the 2023 biennium is projected to be \$4.1 million.

Figure 42

Montana Historic Preservation Grants - 2023 Biennium					
Account - 02217					
	FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Projected	FY 2022 Projected	FY 2023 Projected	2023 Bien. Projected
Estimated Beginning Fund Balance	\$0	\$610,403	\$1,243,342	(\$2,316,893)	\$1,243,342
Revenue Projections ¹					
Accommodation Sales Tax	610,403	1,432,939	1,889,115	2,196,046	4,085,161
Expenditures					
Prior Biennium	0	800,000	0	0	0
2023 Biennium Grants	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,449,350</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>5,449,350</u>
Total Expenditures/Appropriations	0	800,000	5,449,350	0	5,449,350
Ending Fund Balance	\$610,403	\$1,243,342	(\$2,316,893)	(\$120,847)	(\$120,847)

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Total appropriations from the account, provided in HB 12, are \$5.4 million. The resulting balance at the end of the 2023 biennium is projected to be negative \$120,847. The MHPG program will not spend more than the funds deposited into the account, instead the negative balance is an indicator that the appropriations exceed anticipated revenues and the program may be required to manage the use of the funding with consideration of the circumstances.

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EXECUTIVE BUDGET COMPARISON

Figure 43 provides the legislative changes from the executive budget proposal.

Figure 43

Executive Budget Comparison - Montana Historic Preservation Grant Program				
Budget Item	Budget	Budget	Change	% Change
	2023 Biennium	2023 Biennium		
Number of Grants	17	26	9	52.9%
	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Appropriated</u>		
Grants Cost	\$3,189,996	\$5,490,121	\$2,300,125	72.1%
Total Costs	\$3,189,996	\$5,490,121	\$2,300,125	72.1%
State Special	3,189,996	5,490,121	2,300,125	72.1%
Total Funds	\$3,189,996	\$5,490,121	\$2,300,125	72.1%

As shown in Figure 43, the legislature appropriated a MHPG budget that was \$2.3 million, or 72.1% higher than the executive proposal and the number of MHPG grant awards by nine.

OTHER LEGISLATION

The 67th Legislature did not enact any legislation that would directly impact the MHPG program.