



**HB-9 MONTANA CULTURAL TRUST
RESTORE MONTANA: RECOVERY &
SUSTAINABILITY FOR HISTORIC TOWNS**

A stylized graphic on the left side of the slide depicting a mountain range. The top mountain peak is white with a dark blue sky above it. Below the peak is a blue sky area, followed by a white wavy line representing a horizon or water. Below that is a green area representing a field or forest, and at the bottom is a yellow area representing a road or path.

Restore Montana ToolKit for Preserving Montana Communities

- Significant Buildings
- Community Engagement
- Local Government Commitment
- Public-Private Partnerships
- National Register Status
- Due Diligence
- Preservation Incentives

Significant Buildings



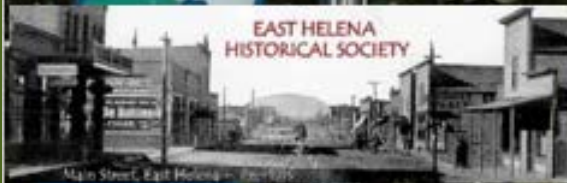
Community Engagement



Local Commitment to Preservation

Public-Private Partnerships

OUR PARTNERS!





Due Diligence:

Feasibility Study

RIGHT FOR
THE FACILITY

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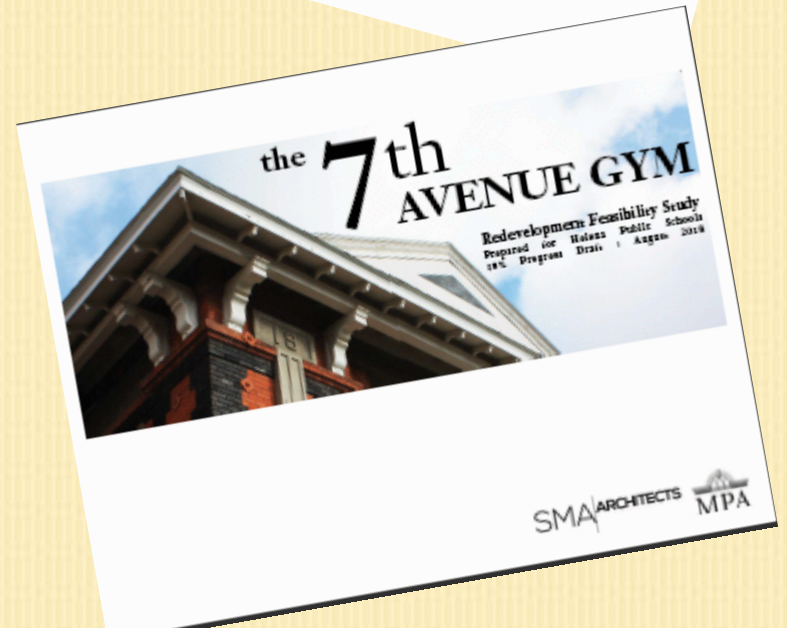
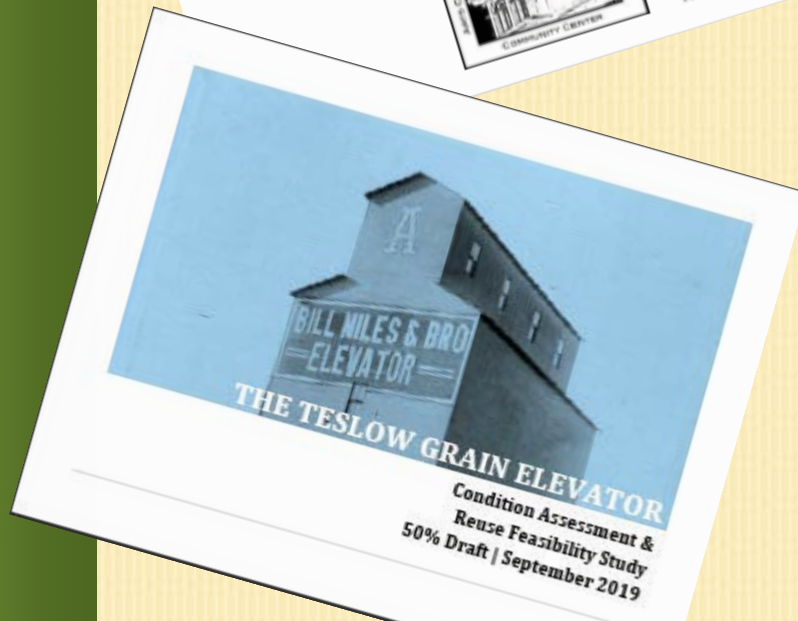
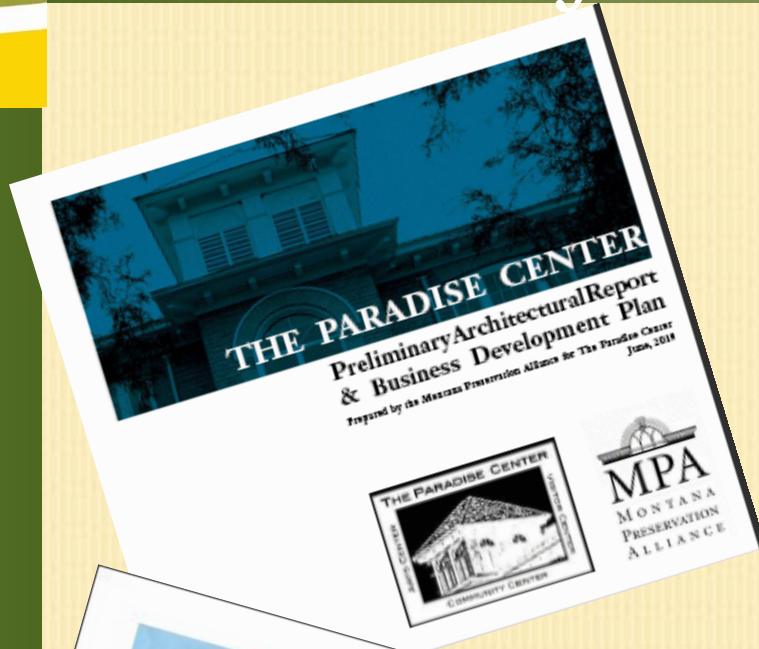
RIGHT FOR
THE VISION

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RIGHT FOR
THE COMMUNITY

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Due Diligence: Preliminary Architectural Report





BLACK BEAR INN ~ THOMPSON FALLS

Feasibility study funded via Montana Main Street host
by Sanders Co Development Corp





Paradise school ~ Closed in 2013

Now a Visitor / Community / Art Center



Preservation Incentives FOR BRICK & MORTAR

Grand Union Hotel FORT BENTON, MONTANA



BEFORE



AFTER

PROJECT PROFILE

ORIGINAL CONSTRUCTION DATE
1882

ORIGINAL USE
Hotel lodging, restaurant
and bar

DATE OF REHABILITATION
1999

NEW USE
26 hotel rooms, restaurant/bar,
conference facilities, and
gift shop

Property and Project Highlights

- The Grand Union Hotel was built and furnished for \$200,000 in 1882.
- It was a vacant, barren shell with burst plumbing and boarded windows for ten years before its purchase in 1995.
- A \$2 million rehabilitation created 27 hotel rooms, a renowned farm-to-table restaurant and a conference/event center that can serve 100 people.

Key Project Financing

Estimated Total Development Cost:	\$2 million
Estimated Federal Historic Tax Credits	\$380,000
First Interstate Bank of Montana loan:	\$800,000
Bear Paw Development Corp.	
Community Development Block Grant:	\$400,000

APPENDIX E: POTENTIAL FUNDING & RESOURCES FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN MONTANA

STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS

MT STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

Montana's state agency that encourages the preservation of historic places. MT SHPO offers technical assistance, along with information on recording historic properties and the National Register Program.

NEW! Historic Revitalization Subgrants: Revitalizing Montana's Rural Heritage

In Fall of 2019, MT SHPO was awarded funds from the National Park Service for historic preservation projects in communities under 50,000 in population. The total pool is \$250,000, and grants will range from \$10,000 - \$100,000. They will call for letters of inquiry in fall 2019, and will invite full applications from promising applicants. Funds must be matched 60:40, cash and/or in-kind. Preference will be given to projects in towns with active preservation programs. Full details anticipated in October 2019.

Historic Preservation Investment Tax Credits

Montana's state agency that encourages the preservation of historic places. MT SHPO offers technical assistance, and information on how to apply and qualify for federal and state historic preservation investment tax credits. Periodically they also have grant funding. Contact:

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PO Box 201202, Helena, MT 5962

MT DEPT OF COMMERCE (MT DoC)

NEW! Montana Grants for Museums and Historic Sites

The Montana Legislature passed the Montana Museum's Act in 2019, which will fund new facilities for the Montana Historical Society along with grants for historic preservation. The MT Dept of Commerce is in process of writing the rules for these new funds, derived from a 1% addition to the MT Accommodations Tax. Funds will be awarded on a biennial basis, after approval by the Legislature. The first round of applications are anticipated in summer 2020.

Montana Tourism Infrastructure Investment Grants

MT DoC funds tourism-related brick-and-mortar projects, such as construction costs associated with building new and/or rehabilitating older tourism and recreation attractions, historical sites or artifacts; costs associated with purchasing new and/or existing tourism and recreation attractions, historical sites or artifacts; and equipment purchased for tourism operations. Non-profit sponsors or local governments are eligible to apply. The funds are awarded on an annual basis through a competitive application process. Sponsors are required to invest \$1 for every \$2 in TIIP Grant funds received.

<http://www.travelmontana.mt.gov/ourprograms/TourismDevEd.asp>
MTDoC, 301 S Park, Helena, MT (406) 444-2654

Montana Main Street Program

The Montana Main Street program is housed in the MT DoC Small Business division. Main Street is local revitalization using preservation of historic communities as a centerpiece. The program offers a variety of

Preservation Incentives

THE GREAT 338! MONTANA MUSEUMS & PRESERVATION ACT



Funding for Preservation



FOUNDATION GRANTS:

- MT HISTORY FOUNDATION
- LOCAL COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS
- NORTHWESTERN ENERGY COMMUNITY GRANTS
- STEELE REESE
- MURDOCK TRUST

PRESERVATION TAX CREDITS IN MONTANA

The Federal Historic Tax Credit



MONTANA: Creating Jobs, Building Communities, Preserving Heritage

PREPARED BY MONTANA PRESERVATION ALLIANCE AND
THE NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION



TAX PROJECTS IN DOWNTOWN BILLINGS





LEWISTOWN BROADWAY APARTMENTS:

PLANNING: National Trust, State Historic Preservation,

Feasibility: Big Sky Trust & CDBG ~ PAR

EPA ~ Targeted Brownfields Assessment

BRICK & MORTAR: 1772, Brownfields, TIF, Tax Credits

MT SHPO Rural Grants and Tax Credits



ROUNDUP CENTRAL SCHOOL

Roundup formed the **Musselshell Rural Investment Cooperative**, Montana's first investment cooperative





HELENA ~ VACANT BUILDINGS IN THE QUEEN CITY All eligible for Historic Tax Credits



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THANK YOU!

