

# STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY



**Heritage Center expansion project** - House Bill No. 1481 (2009) provided one-time funding of \$39.7 million from the general fund and \$12 million from other funds for the Heritage Center expansion project. Section 2 of the bill provided that construction may not begin until the State Historical Society certifies to the Office of Management and Budget that of the federal or special funds required to complete the project, cash or pledges with a discounted cash value of at least \$6 million has been received by the State Historical Society. Section 4 of the bill required the director of the Facility Management Division of the Office of Management and Budget to serve as the project construction manager. Section 5 of the bill provided that the State Historical Society is to seek federal funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for the Heritage Center expansion and any funds received are appropriated for the project.

The State Historical Society awarded the following bids for the project:

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternate Bids <sup>1</sup>	Total Bid Award
Comstock Construction (general contractor)	\$20,198,700	\$1,959,000	\$22,157,700
Scott's Electric	3,341,600	1,375,851	4,717,451
Central Mechanical	4,198,000		4,198,000
Total	\$27,738,300	\$3,334,851	\$31,073,151

<sup>1</sup>Because the awarded bids for the project were lower than anticipated, bids were accepted for alternate projects, including compact shelving, landscaping, building signs, motorized window shades, and audio visual equipment.

Other costs for the project include \$3.7 million for architects and consultants and \$13.2 million for exhibits and project soft costs.

As of December 31, 2011, the State Historical Society has received approximately \$9.75 million of special funds for the project. As of March 31, 2012, the agency has spent \$13.3 million of total funds on the project. The State Historical Society did not receive federal funds under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for the Heritage Center expansion project. The agency anticipates the expansion project to be completed in the spring of 2013 with exhibits being completed by the fall of 2014.