

**State Historical Society
Budget No. 701
House Bill Nos. 1018 and 1505; Senate Bill No. 2345**

| | FTE Positions | General Fund | Other Funds | Total |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 2021-23 legislative appropriation | 78.75 | \$19,411,350 | \$8,379,952 | \$27,791,302 |
| 2019-21 legislative appropriation | <u>75.00</u> | <u>18,965,691</u> | <u>3,298,252</u> | <u>22,263,943</u> |
| 2021-23 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2019-21 appropriation | 3.75 | \$445,659 | \$5,081,700 | \$5,527,359 |

Item Description

Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center - The Legislative Assembly transferred 3.75 FTE positions (\$1,029,094) and related operating expenses (\$399,500) from the Parks and Recreation Department to the State Historical Society relating to the transfer of operations of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center. Section 7 of House Bill No. 1018 requires the society to display, maintain, and protect the Lewis and Clark artifacts included in the transfer of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center from the Parks and Recreation Department to the society at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center. A climate-controlled environment must be maintained to protect the artifacts as necessary.

Funding for temporary employees - The Legislative Assembly increased funding for temporary employees by \$400,000 from the general fund to provide a total of \$1,965,545.

Historical site and extraordinary repairs - One-time funding - In House Bill No. 1505, the Legislative Assembly provided \$4.2 million from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund for historical site and extraordinary repairs and in Senate Bill No. 2345, provided \$950,000 from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund for essential infrastructure at historic sites.

Status/Result

The operations of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center were transferred from the Parks and Recreation Department on July 1, 2021. Through February 28, 2022, the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center has collected revenue of \$107,253 of the \$187,999 estimated to be collected during the 2021-23 biennium. The Parks and Recreation Department also transferred \$208,465 in donations related to the interpretive center, which will be expended under appropriation authority provided by the Legislative Assembly in Section 4 of House Bill No. 1018, which appropriates all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society.

With the additional funding for temporary employees, the State Historical Society increased the minimum wage from \$10.75 per hour to \$13 per hour. Effective July 1, 2022 the minimum wage for temporary employees will be increased from \$13 per hour to \$14 per hour.

Through February 28, 2022, the State Historical Society has received bids totaling \$2.5 million for 17 essential infrastructure and extraordinary repair projects at historic sites.