

2025 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

HB 1018

DEPARTMENT 701 - STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2025-27 BASE-LEVEL BUDGET

Base Budget - Summary

	<u>Base Level</u>
Salaries and wages	\$16,832,853
Operating expenses	3,443,236
Capital assets	1,330,184
Grants	928,340
Cultural heritage grants	<u>500,000</u>
Total all funds	\$23,034,613
Less other funds	<u>2,434,264</u>
Total general fund	\$20,600,349
Full-time equivalent (FTE) positions	83.50

Selected Base Budget Information

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Includes funding for salaries and wages of 83.50 FTE positions, including \$1,806,044 for temporary salaries and \$85,265 for overtime salaries. Of the total, \$1,126,359 is from federal funds and \$18,756 is from the State Historical Society concession fund.	\$15,687,738	\$1,145,115	\$16,832,853
2. Includes funding for operating expenses, primarily related to information technology costs, professional and operating fees, utilities, travel, and building, repairs, and insurance costs. Of the total, \$95,000 is from federal funds and \$100,000 is from the State Historical Society gifts and bequests fund.	\$3,248,236	\$195,000	\$3,443,236
3. Includes funding for capital assets, including \$165,809 from federal funds.	\$1,164,375	\$165,809	\$1,330,184
4. Includes federal funding for National Historical Publications and Records Commission grants for the preservation and use of American documents and heritage.	\$0	\$928,340	\$928,340
5. Includes funding for cultural heritage grants provided to local communities for the preservation of North Dakota historical sites and artifacts.	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000

Continuing Appropriations

State Historical Society gifts and bequests fund - North Dakota Century Code Section 55-01-04 - Gifts and bequests for support of museum operations. For the 2021-23 biennium, the fund had \$779,218 of revenue, \$305,629 of expenditures, and a fund balance of \$1,404,122 on June 30, 2023.

America 250 Commission - Section 55-01-14 - Provides the America 250 Commission may accept gifts, grants, and donations from public and nonpublic sources and may expend these funds for the purpose of coordinating and engaging in semiquincentennial activities in the state. Funding is deposited in the State Historical Society gifts and bequests fund. For the 2021-23 biennium, \$10,000 of revenue was received and deposited in the fund, \$0 was expended, and the balance was \$10,000 on June 30, 2023.

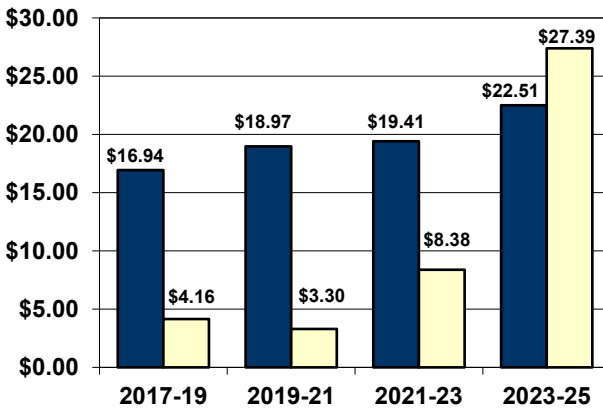
Concession fund - Section 55-02-04 - Operation of the State Historical Society museum store. For the 2021-23 biennium, the fund had \$2,064,372 of revenue, \$1,618,197 of expenditures, and a fund balance of \$1,999,493 on June 30, 2023.

State Historical Society revolving fund - Section 55-03-04 - For archaeological permits and the management and analysis of records and artifacts. For the 2021-23 biennium, the fund had \$39,050 of revenue, \$5,534 of expenditures, and a fund balance of \$151,341 on June 30, 2023.

Historical Appropriations Information

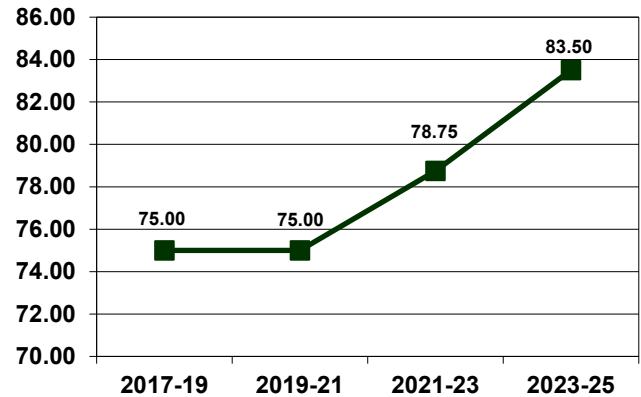
Agency Appropriations and FTE Positions

Agency Funding (Millions)



■ General Fund □ Other Funds

FTE Positions



Ongoing General Fund Appropriations

	2015-17	2017-19	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25
Ongoing general fund appropriations	\$17,254,791	\$16,673,644	\$17,368,691	\$19,386,350	\$20,600,349
Increase (decrease) from previous biennium	N/A	(\$581,147)	\$695,047	\$2,017,659	\$1,213,999
Percentage increase (decrease) from previous biennium	N/A	(3.4%)	4.2%	11.6%	6.3%
Cumulative percentage increase (decrease) from 2015-17 biennium	N/A	(3.4%)	0.7%	12.4%	19.4%

Major Increases (Decreases) in Ongoing General Fund Appropriations

2017-19 Biennium

1. Removed 1 FTE custodial position (\$106,393)
2. Removed 2 undesignated FTE positions (\$58,237)
3. Reduced salaries and wages in anticipation of savings from vacant positions and employee turnover (\$243,714)
4. Reduced funding for temporary employees (\$147,986)
5. Reduced funding for operating expenses from the general fund and increased funding from other funds by \$150,000 for a net adjustment of (\$100,414) (\$250,414)
6. Removed funding for cultural heritage grants (\$293,454)
7. Reduced funding for capital assets (\$22,641)

2019-21 Biennium

1. Removed ongoing funding for extraordinary repairs (\$307,357)
2. Reduced funding for bond payments to provide a total of \$1,144,542 (\$214,754)
3. Added funding for cultural heritage grants \$500,000

2021-23 Biennium

1. Transferred 3.75 FTE positions and the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center operations from the Parks and Recreation Department to the State Historical Society \$1,140,595
2. Increased funding for temporary employees to provide a total of \$1,965,545 \$400,000
3. Added ongoing funding for the State Archives Digital Repository subscription expenses \$125,000

2023-25 Biennium

1. Reduced funding for bond payments to provide a total of \$592,375 (\$586,640)
2. Added funding for ongoing historic building improvements \$500,000

One-Time General Fund Appropriations

	2015-17	2017-19	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25
One-time general fund appropriations	\$2,922,969	\$0	\$1,597,000	\$25,000	\$1,906,839

Major One-Time General Fund Appropriations

2017-19 Biennium

None \$0

2019-21 Biennium

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| 1. Historic site and extraordinary repairs | \$1,000,000 |
| 2. Exhibit and collections care | \$372,000 |
| 3. Auditorium chair replacement project | \$75,000 |
| 4. Pioneer Village relocation | \$150,000 |

2021-23 Biennium

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| 1. State Archives Digital Repository upgrade | \$25,000 |
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2023-25 Biennium

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| 1. Operating expense inflationary costs | \$120,795 |
| 2. Geographic information system remote access and upgrade | \$225,000 |
| 3. Digital interactive initiative | \$425,000 |
| 4. Medora site planning | \$150,000 |
| 5. Newspaper preservation | \$236,044 |
| 6. Ellendale opera house restoration | \$250,000 |
| 7. Whitestone Hill monument | \$250,000 |
| 8. America's 250 th celebration | \$250,000 |



**State Historical Society
Department No. 701
2025 House Bill No. 1018**

**EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION
2025-27 BIENNIUM**

Budget Summary

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Executive budget recommendation	85.50	\$26,608,187	\$122,607,858	\$149,216,045
Base level	83.50	20,600,349	2,434,264	23,034,613
Increase (decrease)	2.00	\$6,007,838	\$120,173,594	\$126,181,432
Percentage increase (decrease)	2.4%	29.2%	4,936.8%	547.8%

NOTE:

More detailed information on the executive budget recommendation is attached as Appendix A.

A copy of the draft appropriations bill reflecting the executive budget recommendation is attached as Appendix B.

Selected Highlights

- Adds \$780,291, of which \$700,614 is from the general fund and \$79,677 is from other funds, for salary increases of up to 4 percent effective July 1, 2025, and 3 percent effective July 1, 2026
- Adds \$510,449, of which \$458,503 is from the general fund and \$51,946 is from other funds, for a health insurance premium increase of \$250 per month (15.2 percent), from \$1,643 to \$1,893, per employee
- Adds \$1,768,392, of which \$919,203 is from the general fund and \$849,189 is from other funds, to replace the 2023-25 biennium new FTE pool (\$1,131,016) and vacant FTE pool (\$637,376)
- Adds \$408,381 from the general fund for 2 FTE positions, including a FTE exhibition preparator position (\$194,170) and a FTE tribal liaison position (\$214,211). Of the total \$10,225 is **one-time funding** for new FTE position operating expenses.
- Adds \$1,203,247 from the general fund for the cost to continue temporary salaries (\$945,088) and operating expenses, primarily related to insurance, information technology (IT), and utilities (\$258,159)
- Removes \$500,000 from the general fund for cultural heritage grants, resulting in no funding remaining for the program
- Adds \$502,796 from the general fund for compliance costs associated with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), of which \$402,796 is ongoing funding for temporary salaries (\$361,596) and operating expenses (\$9,280) and \$100,000 is **one-time funding** for operating expenses
- Adds **one-time funding** from the general fund for Pembina State Museum exhibit design objects
- Adds **one-time funding** of \$83,644,524, of which \$40,000,000 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) and \$43,644,524 is from the historical bequests and gifts fund, for the military gallery expansion project
- Adds **one-time funding** of \$24,470,000 from SIIF for Medora area planning, including a Chateau de Mores Interpretive Center expansion project (\$13,470,000), a Chimney Park multi-use facility project (\$10,000,000), and the construction of an additional interpretive center (\$1,000,000)
- Adds **one-time funding** of \$5 million of which \$2 million is from the general fund and \$3 million is from SIIF for improvements to historical structures and buildings
- Adds **one-time funding** of \$7 million from SIIF for America 250 semiquincentennial activities

Deficiency Appropriations

There are no deficiency appropriations recommended in the executive budget for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

The operational audit of the State Historical Society conducted by the State Auditor's office for the period ending June 30, 2022, did not identify any significant audit findings.

The financial statement audits of the State Historical Foundation conducted by Haga Kommer, Ltd. for the periods ending June 30, 2023, and June 30, 2024, did not identify any significant audit findings.

Agency Fees

As reported to the Legislative Management, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-35-27, this agency has 1 fee. The agency did not recommend any changes to the fee.

Major Related Legislation

As of the date of this report, there is no major related legislation for this agency.

NOTE:

Please see the Fiscal Impact Report for additional information regarding bills under consideration which contain either a state revenue impact, an appropriation, or a state fiscal impact.



State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

	Executive Budget			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes				
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)
Salary increase		700,614	79,677	780,291
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		402,796		402,796
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services		150,796	220,080	370,876
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402
Adds funding for the cost to continue IT increases		71,996		71,996
Adds funding for cost to continue increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and utilities		186,163		186,163
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0
Remove funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$3,048,023	\$1,182,059	\$4,230,082
One-Time Funding Items				
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$10,225		10,225
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services		4,090		4,090
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs objects		638,000		638,000
Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community grant program			75,000	75,000
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			83,644,524	83,644,524
Adds funding for Medora area planning - Chateau de Mores Interpretive Center expansion			13,470,000	13,470,000
Adds funding for Medora area planning - Chimney Park multi-use facility project			10,000,000	10,000,000
Adds funding for Medora area planning - Additional interpretive center			1,000,000	1,000,000

Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings		2,000,000	3,000,000	5,000,000
Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000
Adds funding for America 250 semiquincentennial activities			7,000,000	7,000,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$2,959,815	\$118,991,535	\$121,951,350
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$6,007,838	\$120,173,594	\$126,181,432
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$26,608,187	\$122,607,858	\$149,216,045

Federal funds included in other funds

\$3,765,675

Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level

2.4%

14.8%

48.6%

18.4%

Total changes - Percentage of base level

2.4%

29.2%

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547.8%

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	Executive Budget
Appropriation - Revolving fund	Section 3 would appropriate all fees collected and deposited in the revolving fund to the State Historical Society.
Appropriation - Gifts, grants, and bequests	Section 4 would appropriate all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society to the State Historical Society.
Department of Transportation grant	Section 5 would identify that \$100,000 of funding in the estimated income line item is from the Department of Transportation for defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center for the 2025-27 biennium.
SIIF	Section 6 would identify \$74,470,000 appropriated in Section 1 is from SIIF, of which \$40,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$24,470,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, and \$7,000,000 is for America 250 semiquincentennial activities.
FTE position adjustments	Section 7 would allow the State Historical Society to increase or decrease authorized FTE positions as needed, subject to the availability of funds.
Exemption - SIIF	Section 8 would allow the State Historical Society to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,250,000 appropriated from SIIF for historic building improvements and the \$375,000 appropriated from SIIF for improving exhibit engagement during the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1018
(Governor's Recommendation)

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

A bill for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society; and to provide an exemption.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the state historical society for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that agency, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027, as follows:

	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
Salaries and Wages	\$16,832,853	\$ 5,053,498	\$21,886,351
Operating Expenses	3,443,236	2,297,785	5,741,021
Capital Assets	1,330,184	111,537,649	112,867,833
Grants	928,340	792,500	1,720,840
Cultural Heritage Grants	500,000	(500,000)	0
America's 250 th	0	7,000,000	7,000,000
Exhibits	0	0	0
Total All Funds	\$23,034,613	\$126,181,432	\$149,216,045
Less Estimated Income	<u>2,434,264</u>	<u>120,173,594</u>	<u>122,607,858</u>
Total General Fund	\$20,600,349	\$ 6,007,838	\$26,608,187
Full-Time Equivalent Positions	83.50	2.00	85.50

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-eighth legislative assembly for the 2023-25 biennium and the 2025-27 one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2023-25</u>	<u>2025-27</u>
Historic site and extraordinary repairs	\$3,250,000	\$ 5,000,000
State archives digital repository upgrade	0	207,500
Inflationary costs	120,795	0
Digital interactive initiative	425,000	0
Geographic information system remote access and	250,000	0
Medora site planning	150,000	24,470,000
Army corps of engineers grant	400,000	0
Opera house restoration	250,000	0
Whitestone Hill monument	250,000	0
Digital humanities advancement grant	30,000	0
Scanner and microfilm plotter	236,044	0
Exhibit engagement	375,000	642,900
Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grant	750,000	750,000
Underrepresented community grant	125,000	75,000

America's 250 th celebration	250,000	7,000,000
Military gallery	20,000,000	83,644,524
Native American graves and repatriation act FTE	0	106,135
Enhance digital services	0	4,090
National resources grant	0	2,011
USDA forest service grant	0	50,000
Total All Funds	\$26,861,839	\$121,952,160
Less Estimated Income	<u>24,955,000</u>	<u>118,991,535</u>
Total General Fund	\$1,906,839	\$ 2,960,625

The 2025-27 one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for the 2027-29 biennium. The historical society shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 3. REVOLVING FUND - APPROPRIATION. All fees collected by the state historical society and deposited in the revolving fund established pursuant to section 55-03-04 are appropriated to the state historical society for the purposes provided in chapter 55-03, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 4. GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS - APPROPRIATION. All gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the state historical society and deposited with the state treasurer pursuant to section 55-01-04 are appropriated to the state historical society for the purposes provided in section 55-01-04, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. ESTIMATED INCOME - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT. The estimated income line item in subdivision 3 of section 1 of this Act, includes \$100,000 of grant funding from the department of transportation for the purpose of defraying expenses for the Lewis and Clark interpretive center.

SECTION 6. ESTIMATED INCOME – STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND – ONE TIME FUNDING. The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$74,470,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$40,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion of the heritage center, \$7,000,000 is for America's 250th activities, \$3,000,000 is for critical repairs to historic site structures, \$24,470,000 is for capital projects in Medora. This funding is considered a one-time funding item.

SECTION 7. EXEMPTION - FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION ADJUSTMENTS. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the state historical society may increase or decrease authorized full-time equivalent positions as needed, subject to availability of funds, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The state historical society shall report to the office of management and budget and legislative council any adjustments made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 8. EXEMPTION – STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND. Section 54-44.1-11 does not apply to the appropriation in subsection 6 of section 1 of chapter 50 of the 2023 Session Laws, and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be continued and used for the purpose of critical repairs to historic site structures, and for creating new and repairing existing exhibits during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, ending June 30, 2027.



**State Historical Society
Department No. 701
2025 House Bill No. 1018**

**REVISED EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION
2025-27 BIENNIUM**

Budget Summary

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Burgum budget recommendation	85.50	\$26,608,187	\$122,607,858	\$149,216,045
Revisions - Increase (decrease)	0.00	(2,769,978)	(22,372,457)	(25,142,435)
Armstrong budget recommendation	85.50	\$23,838,209	\$100,235,401	\$124,073,610
Base level	83.50	20,600,349	2,434,264	23,034,613
Increase (decrease)	2.00	\$3,237,860	\$97,801,137	\$101,038,997
Percentage increase (decrease)	2.4%	15.7%	4,017.7%	438.6%

NOTE:

More detailed information on the revised executive budget recommendation is attached as appendix.

Selected Highlights

- Adds **\$637,856**, of which **\$572,726** is from the general fund and **\$65,130** is from other funds, for salary increases of up to **3 percent** effective July 1, 2025, and 3 percent effective July 1, 2026
- Adds \$510,449, of which \$458,503 is from the general fund and \$51,946 is from other funds, for a health insurance premium increase of \$250 per month (15.2 percent), from \$1,643 to \$1,893, per employee
- Adds \$1,768,392, of which \$919,203 is from the general fund and \$849,189 is from other funds, to replace the 2023-25 biennium new FTE pool (\$1,131,016) and vacant FTE pool (\$637,376)
- Adds \$408,381 from the general fund and SIIF for 2 FTE positions, including a FTE exhibition preparator position (\$194,170) and a FTE tribal liaison position (\$214,211). Of the total \$10,225 is one-time funding for new FTE position operating expenses, **including \$6,135 from the general fund and \$4,090 from SIIF**.
- Adds \$1,203,247 from the general fund for the cost to continue temporary salaries (\$945,088) and operating expenses, primarily related to insurance, information technology (IT), and utilities (\$258,159)
- Removes \$500,000 from the general fund for cultural heritage grants, resulting in no funding remaining for the program
- Adds \$502,796 from the general fund for compliance costs associated with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), of which \$402,796 is ongoing funding for temporary salaries (\$388,876) and operating expenses (\$13,920) and \$100,000 is one-time funding for operating expenses
- Adds one-time funding of \$638,000 from SIIF for Pembina State Museum exhibit design objects
- Adds one-time funding of \$83,644,524, of which \$40,000,000 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) and \$43,644,524 is from the historical bequests and gifts fund, for the military gallery expansion project
- Adds one-time funding of **\$6,470,000** from SIIF for Medora area planning
- Adds one-time funding of \$3 million from SIIF for improvements to historical structures and buildings
- Adds one-time funding of **\$2 million** from SIIF for America 250 semiquincentennial activities

Deficiency Appropriations

There are no deficiency appropriations recommended in the executive budget for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

The operational audit of the State Historical Society conducted by the State Auditor's office for the period ending June 30, 2022, did not identify any significant audit findings.

The financial statement audits of the State Historical Foundation conducted by Haga Kommer, Ltd. for the periods ending June 30, 2023, and June 30, 2024, did not identify any significant audit findings.

Agency Fees

As reported to the Legislative Management, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-35-27, this agency has 1 fee. The agency did not recommend any changes to the fee.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1264 - This bill appropriates \$75,000 of one-time funding from the general fund to the State Historical Society for constructing a bridge at the Whitestone Hill state historic site.

House Bill No. 1438 - This bill appropriates \$1,100,000 of one-time funding from the general fund to the State Historical Society for providing a grant to an organization dedicated to the restoration of a historic theater in a city of more than 100,000. The bill includes a \$1-to-\$1 matching funds requirement.

NOTE:

Please see the Fiscal Impact Report for additional information regarding bills under consideration which contain either a state revenue impact, an appropriation, or a state fiscal impact.



State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

	Armstrong Budget			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes				
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)
Salary increase		572,726	65,130	637,856
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		402,796		402,796
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services		150,796	220,080	370,876
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402
Adds funding for the cost to continue IT increases		71,996		71,996
Adds funding for cost to continue increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and		186,163		186,163
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0
Remove funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$2,920,135	\$1,167,512	\$4,087,647
One-Time Funding Items				
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$6,135	4,090	10,225
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services		4,090		4,090
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs objects			638,000	638,000
Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community grant program			75,000	75,000
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			83,644,524	83,644,524
Adds funding for Medora area planning			6,470,000	6,470,000
Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings			3,000,000	3,000,000

Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000
Adds funding for America 250 semiquincentennial activities			2,000,000	2,000,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,633,625	\$96,951,350
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$3,237,860	\$97,801,137	\$101,038,997
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$23,838,209	\$100,235,401	\$124,073,610
<i>Federal funds included in other funds</i>			\$3,755,740	
<i>Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level</i>	2.4%	14.2%	48.0%	17.7%
<i>Total changes - Percentage of base level</i>	2.4%	15.7%	4017.7%	438.6%

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Prairie Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
1/14/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society.

10:09 a.m. Acting Chairman Swiontek called the meeting to order.

Members present: Vice Chairman Swiontek, Representative Louser, Representative Martinson, Representative Richter, Representative Hanson

Members absent: Chairman Nathe, Representative Sanford

Chairman Nathe arrived at 10:28 a.m.

10:09 Dr. Bill Peterson Director of State Historical Society testified in favor of HB

1018. Testimony (# 28830, 28912, 28923).

10:54 a.m. Meeting closed by Vice Chairman Swiontek.

Steven Riehl, Committee Clerk

State Historical Society of North Dakota

Testimony

House Appropriations

House Bill

January 14, 2025

10-11 a.m.

Prairie Room

Dr. Bill Peterson, Director & ND SHPO

- North Dakota Century Code Chapter NDCC 55-01 - NDCC 55-12 authorizes the State Historical Society.

- Mission:
Empower Through History

- Values:
 - Access
 - Collaboration
 - Commitment to preservation

There were no audit findings for the agency in the previous biennium.



State Historical Society of North Dakota Organization Chart

State Historical Board: 7 appointed by Governor, 5 members by statute			
Director & SHPO: Dr. William Peterson			
Administration Director (26 FTE)	Archaeology & Historic Preservation Director/Deputy SHPO (13 FTE)	State Archives Director/State Archivist (12 FTE)	Audience Engagement & Museum Director (31.5 FTE)
Business Office	State Historic Preservation Office	Reference	New Media Management
Technology Administration	Archaeology	Research Library	Marketing & Public Relations
Museum Store	Architecture	Digitization and Microfilming	Publications
Building Operations	Cultural Heritage Research	Digital Repository	Exhibits Management
Facility Rentals	Archaeology Collections	Archives Collections	Museum Collections
Security	Education	Education	Education & ND Studies
Training and Safety	Technical Assistance	Technical Assistance	Technical Assistance
	Federal and State Grants		Historic Sites
			Visitor Services
			Volunteer Management

2025-2027 STRATEGIC PLAN

MISSION

Empower
Through History

VALUES

Access to History

Collaborative
Environment

Commitment to
Preservation

PARTNER FOR IMPACT

- Reach specified areas of compliance with new national NAGPRA regulations and enhance tribal nation relationships related to these processes.
- Build a military gallery and ND Heritage Center expansion, with considerations for an additional two galleries to potentially follow.
- Increase educational opportunities through outreach initiatives.
- Enhance visitor experiences and visitation at identified historic sites and museums.
- Develop best uses for three state properties in Medora based on 2024 studies.
- Commemorate ND 250.

BUILD ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY

- Plan for military gallery and ND Heritage Center expansion staff and resource needs.
- Incorporate agricultural and large object galleries into an additional ND Heritage Center expansion plan.
- Increase advocacy efforts throughout all departments.
- Increase educational opportunities through outreach initiatives and expand content of ND Studies.

EMBRACE EMERGING TECHNOLOGY USE

- Enhance citizen-focused digital services and interactives.
- Increase access to state history through digital integration of products & services.
- Ensure proper digital storage capacity to keep up with agency needs.
- Modernize department practices for easier use of services by ND citizens.
- Use GIS as an agency resource with designated staff training.

INCREASE EARNED REVENUE

- Expand the ND Heritage Center & State Museum usage and visitation.
- Enhance visitor experiences at all staffed state historic sites and museums, increasing visitation.

2024 at a Glance



611,270
VISITORS
TO STATE MUSEUMS
AND HISTORIC SITES



213
VOLUNTEERS



60 STATE MUSEUMS
& HISTORIC SITES

49 HISTORIC BUILDINGS

8 INTERPRETIVE CENTERS

21 SERVICE BUILDINGS

19 CCC MARKERS/KIOSKS

1,224 ACRES TOTAL



10
FRIENDS GROUPS
SUPPORTING HISTORIC SITES



80,000
SQ. FT. OF
EXHIBITS

STATE MUSEUMS
& HISTORIC SITES

EMPLOYEES

83.5 FULL TIME

119 TEMPORARY



1 GOVERNING
BOARD



NATIONAL
AWARD



588,604
NEW USERS OF
AGENCY WEBSITES



69,356
AGENCY SOCIAL
MEDIA FOLLOWERS



3 NEW NATIONAL
REGISTER LISTINGS

3,300
ANNUAL CULTURAL
RESOURCE REVIEWS
OF FEDERAL AND STATE
UNDERTAKINGS

LOOK WHAT YOU CAN EXPLORE IN STATE COLLECTIONS!

130,779 BOOKS & OTHER PUBLICATIONS

2.1 MILLION PHOTOGRAPHS

1,581 NEWSPAPER TITLES

4,575 ORAL HISTORIES

3,597 MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS

1,903 LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORD SERIES

2,369 STATE GOVERNMENT RECORD SERIES

3,000 FEET OF SHELF SPACE OF MOVING
IMAGE COLLECTIONS

80,000+ MUSEUM ARTIFACTS

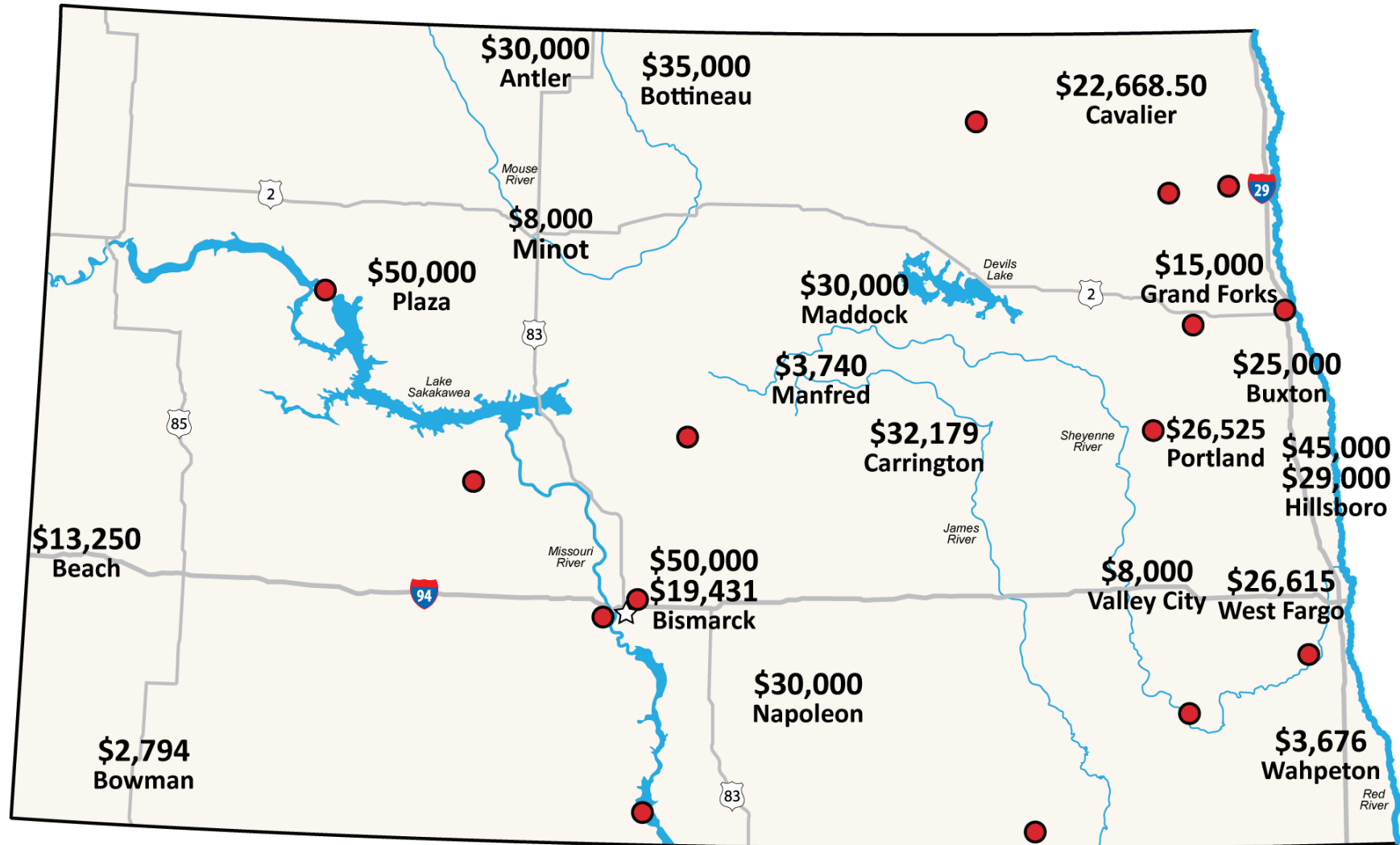
12 MILLION+ ARCHAEOLOGICAL ARTIFACTS

9% OF N.D. ACRES SURVEYED FOR
CULTURAL RESOURCES

21,000 CULTURAL RESOURCE REPORTS &
76,000 SITE FORMS USED BY
595 SPECIALISTS



Cultural Heritage Grants





New Positions

Position	FTE	Date Filled	Source	Amount Transferred from OMB	Appropriation Authority Removed	Amount Estimated to be Spent
Museum Store Manager	1.00	7/1/2023	Special	232,375	309,208	220,502
Assistant Store Manager	1.00	7/1/2023	Special	178,032	244,142	164,948
Lead Store Clerk	1.00	7/1/2023	Special	159,470	216,688	144,658
Events Coordinator	0.25	7/1/2023	General	44,850	64,814	44,857
Public Information Officer	0.50	9/18/2023	General	108,574	108,574	97,883
New Media Specialist	1.00	8/14/2023	General	172,420	187,590	173,198
TOTAL	4.75			895,721	1,131,016	846,046



New Positions – Slide 10

The agency was approved for 4.75 new positions during the 2023-25 biennium.

The first three positions listed were established, fully benefited, and funded by special fund continuing appropriations through our museum store sales in accordance with NDCC 55-02-04. We were granted the authority for these positions. These new positions were filled immediately effective 7/1/2023.

The fourth position was approved to add a .25 FTE onto a fully benefitted generally funded .75 FTE position that the agency had in our events coordinator capacity. This position was filled immediately effective 7/1/2023.

The fifth position was approved to add a .5 FTE onto a fully benefitted generally funded .5 FTE position that the agency had in a public information officer capacity. The person holding .5 FTE position chose to retire instead of work in a full-time capacity. Therefore, we posted and hired a new employee effective 9/18/2023.

The sixth position was a newly authorized and funded position to create and oversee the new digital content and the software and maintenance of these new technologies. This position was posted, and we hired an internal team member to fill this position.

Vacant Positions

- 11 positions turned over in the 2023-25 biennium
- Average of 2.5 months to fill 10 positions
- 1 position remains unfilled
- Vacancy savings of \$143,255 in general and \$16,829 in federal
- Vacancy savings used in continuing to make salaries more equitable.

Source	Appropriation Authority Removed	Amount Transferred from OMB	Additional Anticipated Request
General Fund	558,225	202,115	356,110
Federal Fund	44,382	-	-
Special Fund	34,769	-	-
TOTAL	637,376	202,115	356,110



Vacant Positions – Slide 11

In the current biennium through December 31, 2024, there were 11 FTEs that separated employment, which included resignations, retirements, and other departures. On average, we filled 10 of these positions within 2.5 months. There is 1 position that remains vacant, which we estimate will be filled by February 2025.

After paying out \$25,060 in leave payouts, vacancy savings resulted in \$143,255 in general funds and \$16,829 in federal funds. The sixty-eight legislative assembly removed the authority of \$558,225 in general funds, \$44,382 in federal funds, and \$34,769 in special funds from the agency's budget for vacant FTE positions.

Our agency has transferred \$202,115 in general funds from the OMB pool and anticipate in requesting an additional \$356,110 in general funds. The vacancy savings are being used to make our employees' salaries more equitable. Prior to the target market equity increases, our agency had an average comp ratio of .878. As of September 2024, the average comp ratio was .941. While this is a step in the right direction, we are committed to making salaries more equitable by ensuring employees with at least 3 years of service in a supervisory position are at a comp ratio of .95 and in a non-supervisory position are at a comp ratio of .88. We estimate \$165K in general funds and \$13K in federal funds will be used in the effort of making salaries more equitable.

2025-27 Request/Recommendation Total to Current Biennium

	2023-25 Biennium Appropriations	2025-27 Agency Budget Request	2025-27 Burgum Budget Recommended
Salaries and Wages	16,514,494	22,132,296	21,886,351
Operating Expenses	4,595,831	5,892,016	5,741,021
Capital Assets	25,414,428	154,095,833	112,867,833
Grants	1,803,340	1,720,840	1,720,840
Cultural Heritage Grants	500,000	11,500,000	-
America's 250th Exhibits	250,000 300,000	7,200,000 -	7,000,000 -
TOTAL	49,378,093	202,540,985	149,216,045
FTE	83.5	97.5	85.5

2025-27 Legislative Base to Base Budget Request

	2025-27 Legislative Base Level	2025-27 Changes to Base Budget	2025-27 OMB Base Budget Request	2025-27 Optional Budget Changes	2025-27 Total Budget Request
Salaries and Wages	16,832,853	1,461,671	18,294,524	3,837,772	22,132,296
General Fund	15,687,738	831,228	16,518,966	3,404,230	19,923,196
Federal Fund	1,126,359	66,315	1,192,674	433,542	1,626,216
Special Fund	18,756	564,128	582,884	-	582,884
Operating Expenses	3,443,236	56,996	3,500,232	2,391,784	5,892,016
General Fund	3,248,236	71,996	3,320,232	2,305,833	5,626,065
Federal Fund	95,000	(15,000)	80,000	85,951	165,951
Special Fund	100,000	-	100,000	-	100,000
Capital Assets	1,330,184	(634,375)	695,809	153,400,024	154,095,833
General Fund	1,164,375	(634,375)	530,000	110,455,500	110,985,500
Federal Fund	165,809	-	165,809	-	165,809
Special Fund	-	-	-	42,944,524	42,944,524
Grants	928,340	42,500	970,840	750,000	1,720,840
Federal Fund	928,340	42,500	970,840	750,000	1,720,840
Cultural Heritage Grants	500,000	(500,000)	-	11,500,000	11,500,000
General Fund	500,000	(500,000)	-	11,500,000	11,500,000
America's 250th	-	-	-	7,200,000	7,200,000
General Fund	-	-	-	7,200,000	7,200,000
General Fund	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	23,034,613	426,792	23,461,405	179,079,580	202,540,985
General Fund	20,600,349	(231,151)	20,369,198	134,865,563	155,234,761
Federal Fund	2,315,508	93,815	2,409,323	1,269,493	3,678,816
Special Fund	118,756	564,128	682,884	42,944,524	43,627,408
FTE	83.5	-	83.5	14.0	97.5

2025-27 Legislative Base to Base Budget Request/ Recommendation – Slide 13

Salaries and Wages – The base budget request of \$18,294,524 will be used to pay the salaries and wages for 83.5 FTE positions within our four departments. We employ positions specializing in archaeology; historic preservation; archives; collections management; curation; exhibition; communications; marketing; education; visitor services, including historic site management; Museum Store operations; and administration.

In addition, we employ up to 119 temporary employees in a calendar year. Most of these positions work seasonally at our historic sites.

The Legislative Base in the amount of \$16,832,853 is composed of:

- \$15,687,738 in General funding for most employees and 40% match for those employees qualified under the Historic Preservation Fund grant
- \$1,126,359 in Federal funding for 60% match for those employees qualified under the Historic Preservation Fund grant, and
- \$18,756 in Special funding for employees that carry out the business activities at our Museum Stores across the state.

The changes to base in the amount of \$1,461,671 includes:

- The addition of \$1,768,392 that was removed in the 2023-25 biennium for the vacant FTE pool (\$919,203 in General funding, \$44,382 in Federal funding, and \$804,807 in Special funding.);
- The reduction of \$87,975 in General funding for the 3% budget reduction;
- The addition of \$2 1,933 in Federal funding authority to account for the increases in salaries for those employees qualified under the Historic Preservation Fund grant; and
- The reduction of \$240,679 in Special funding as the authority provided in the 2023-25 was higher than what was needed.


Operating Expenses – The base budget request of \$3,500,232 is needed for IT services; utilities at our historic sites and storage facilities; fleet services and other travel expenses; property, risk management, and workforce safety insurance; building and grounds supplies for our historic sites; advertising and marketing expenses; and other operating expenses.

The Legislative Base in the amount of \$3,443,236 is composed of:

- \$3,248,236 in General funding,
- \$95,000 in Federal funding under the Historic Preservation Fund grant, and
- \$100,000 in Special funding derived from a grant from NDDOT for use at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center.

The changes to the base in the amount of \$56,996 includes:

- The addition of \$71,996 for the IT allowance and
- The reduction of \$15,000 under National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant as we are asking to move the authority from Operating Expenses into Grants.



Capital Assets – The base budget request of \$695,809 will be used to purchase maintenance equipment on a rotational basis and for extraordinary repairs and maintenance at our historic sites.

The Legislative Base in the amount of \$1,330,184 is composed of:

- \$1,164,375 in General funding, which includes funding for the debt service payments of the 2005 Series A bond issue that were for the purpose of expanding the State Archives at the Heritage Center & State Museum and an Interpretive Center addition in Medora in 2005 and moneys for extraordinary repairs and maintenance at our historic sites, and
- \$165,809 in Federal funding under the Historic Preservation Fund grant to be used on our state properties that are on the National Register of Historic Places.

The changes to the base in the amount of (\$634,375) includes:

- The reduction of \$42,000 in General funding for the 3% budget reduction and
- The reduction of \$592,375 in General funds as in November 2023, the agency paid off the 2005 bond that was issued for the expansion of the Archives in the Heritage Center and the construction of an interpretive center in Medora.

Grants – The base budget request of \$970,840 will be used for grants to subrecipients under the Historic Preservation Fund grant to Certified Local Governments and under the National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant.

The Legislative Base is composed of:

- \$928,340 in Federal funding received under the Historic Preservation Fund grant.

The changes to the base in the amount of \$42,500 includes:

- \$42,500 under the National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant to provide grants to subrecipients for the preservation of archive collections.

Cultural Heritage Grants – The agency has an established grant program that provides small grants to communities throughout North Dakota for a variety of projects.

The Legislative Base is composed of:

- \$500,000 in General funding for the purpose of providing these grants.

The changes to the base in the amount of (\$500,000) is a result of the 3% budget reductions.

2025-27 Optional Budget Request by Priority

Rank	Initiative	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
1	Costs to continue operations	1,131,251	-	1,131,251	
2	North Dakota Heritage Center & State Museum Expansion	-	123,644,524	123,644,524	
3	Compliance with new NAGPRA regulations	610,872	106,135	717,007	3.00
4	State Archives Storage for Maximum Longevity & Efficiency	365,072	211,590	576,662	2.00

2025-27 Optional Budget Request by Priority

Rank	Initiative	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
5	North Dakota 250 Commemoration	-	7,200,000	7,200,000	
6	Historic Structure Building Improvements	-	7,203,000	7,203,000	
7	Updating State Historical Society Visitor, Student, and Digital User Info	809,758	138,180	947,938	4.00

2025-27 Optional Budget Request by Priority

Rank	Initiative	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
8	New Exhibition Needs for State Museum & State Historic Sites	435,244	642,090	1,077,334	2.00
9	Medora Area Planning	-	23,470,000	23,470,000	
10	Enhancing digital services among increasing workloads	370,876	4,090	374,966	2.00
11	Rural Revitalization & Cultural Heritage Grant Programs	11,685,440	2,045	11,687,485	1.00

2025-27 Optional Budget Request by Priority

Rank	Initiative	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
12	Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant	-	750,000	750,000	
13	Underrepresented Community Grant Program	-	75,000	75,000	
14	National Resources Cultural Services Grant	172,402	2,011	174,413	
15	USDA Forest Service Grant	-	50,000	50,000	
TOTAL		15,580,915	163,498,665	179,079,580	14.00

Optional Budget Requests – Slides 14-17

#1 – Costs to continue operations – With the request to cut 3% from our budgets, we realigned the operating expense budgets between departments within the agency. However, there are increased costs that go above and beyond our base budget needs. Funding is requested to restore the 3% budget cuts to temporary salaries and to add temporary positions that cover maintenance, data entry, visitor services, and interns across the agency. In addition, funding is needed for increased costs associated with NDIT data processing costs for IT projects completed with State Fiscal Recovery Funds; fire and tornado insurance premiums that are going up by 25%; a new elevator maintenance contract for the elevator that was installed in the 1883 Stutsman County Courthouse; storage needs for digital collections and supplies within the State Archives; and utilities as we are increasing the use and functionality of some of the 80 buildings and historic sites that we manage with the funding we’ve received for historic site repairs and improvements.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
1	Costs to continue operations		1,131,251		1,131,251	
	General Fund	Salaries and Wages	945,088		945,088	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses	186,163		186,163	

#2 – North Dakota Heritage Center & State Museum Expansion – The sixty-seventh legislative assembly authorized the adjutant general to accept up to \$10M from other funds for the construction of a North Dakota military museum and to enter into an agreement with the state historical society for this project, which was signed on October 17, 2022.

The sixty-eighth legislative assembly extended a line of credit of \$20M from the Bank of North Dakota to the state historical society to continue with this project. It was the intent that the society request funding from the sixty-ninth legislative assembly from the legacy earnings fund to repay the line of credit. Funding is requested to repay the costs incurred during the 2023-25 biennium from the BND line of credit.

The military gallery expansion project with a mission to “Honor, Educate, and Inspire” is well established and in the construction document phase. Private fundraising for this project continues. Descriptive materials of this project are included as an attachment on pages 44-66. Funding is requested to construct an addition that will be sure to attract visitors with a 20,000 square foot state-of-the-art military gallery, a regimental room that will seat up to 400 guests, an expanded restaurant with a North Dakota flavor, and an expanded amphitheater.

As almost 20% of the objects in the Inspiration Gallery: Yesterday and Today at the State Museum are military collections and will be moved into the Military Gallery, funding is needed for repairs and preservation of the artifacts in need of conservation. With these items being relocated, the Inspiration Gallery will need to be updated. Funding is requested to conserve the military artifacts that will be transferred from the Inspiration Gallery into the Military Gallery; hire a consultant to plan an upgrade of the Inspiration Gallery; and purchase supplies and technologies needed for the production of new exhibits in the Inspiration Gallery.

In addition to a military gallery expansion, the Society has completed a preliminary design of an additional expansion for an agricultural addition. Agriculture is North Dakota's #1 industry, and the society would like to showcase our strong agricultural sector with state-of-the-art exhibition highlighting this history, technology, and nature of agriculture in ND. Funding is requested to design and begin construction on this expansion.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
2	North Dakota Heritage Center & State Museum Expansion			123,644,524	123,644,524	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses		700,000	700,000	
	Donations	Operating Expenses		0	0	
	General Fund	Capital Assets		80,000,000	80,000,000	
	Donations	Capital Assets		42,944,524	42,944,524	

#3 – Compliance with new NAGPRA regulations - In early 2024, the Department of Interior released new regulations on the compliance of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (1990) or NAGPRA. NAGPRA requires that institutions receiving federal funds, such as museums and universities, to make efforts to repatriate skeletal remains, funerary objects, sacred items, and objects of cultural patrimony. The new regulations change the decision-making authority from institutions to tribal communities as to which items are covered by NAGPRA laws and which were exempt. Therefore, the display of any Native American artifacts should include tribal consultation before finalizing exhibits. The Historical Society completed its NAGPRA inventory of existing collections in 1992. The current efforts to comply with the new guidelines would represent the first agency-wide inventory since the early 1990s. Funding is requested to hire 3 FTE positions for tribal consultation and collections management; operating expenses associated with new FTE positions; and to hire a tribal consultant.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
3	Compliance with new NAGPRA regulations		610,872	106,135	717,007	3.00
	General Fund	Salaries and Wages	596,952	0	596,952	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses	13,920	106,135	120,055	

#4 – State Archives Storage for Maximum Longevity & Efficiency – The State Archivist is mandated as the official custodian of the archival resources of the state under NDCC-55-02.1-03. Archival resources are defined by NDCC 55-02.1-01 as "noncurrent public records which are no longer essential to the functioning of the agency of origin and which the state archivist determines to have permanent value for research, reference, or other use appropriate to document the organization, function, policies, and transactions of government. "

An integral part of serving as the official custodian is the ability to properly house, preserve, and create access to records of historic value. A recent inventory and study of the current storage space indicates the State Archives

will be at full storage capacity in less than twelve years, resulting in a need for a building expansion. Funding is requested to hire a structural engineer to study the load carrying capacity in order to upgrade current storage solutions by enclosing and fireproofing storage carriages; converting microfilm and map case storage for more efficient shelving and use of space; and replacing static shelving with compact shelving, which would provide an additional 7,500 linear feet of capacity. By maximizing space usage now an expansion may be prolonged well beyond the twelve-year estimate.

The State Archives is seeking funding for two additional FTEs to improve the processing, preservation, and access to records of historic value. These positions will address the growing volume of incoming government records and backlog of legacy materials, leading to increased longevity of current storage capacity, along with increasing transparency, engagement, and access for patrons in North Dakota, the United States, and worldwide.

The State Archives currently receives an average of 1,024 linear feet of paper and 49,271 digital records biennially. However, due to limited resources only 20 linear feet and approximately 20,000 digital files of backlog are processed each biennium (see below for chart).

One new FTE will focus on the backlog of legacy records, which has not been touched due to the priority given to incoming transfers. This archivist could inventory/reprocessing 500-700 linear feet biennially, based on the current new material output of each government archivist, improving access and preservation of historic materials. Not only would this position allow for the State Archives to create accessible records for researchers, but it could create more efficient storage capacity through the weeding and appraisal of duplicate materials.

The second requested FTE will assist with the management of the increasing volume of incoming records from government agencies. From July 2023 to June 2024, the State Archives received 1,609 linear feet of paper and 306.43 GB – a significant rise from previous years – already surpassing the average intake in the past five biennium. This role is essential to prevent future backlogs and maintain access to historic government records.

Average extent of incoming Analog Gov. Records per biennium (linear feet)	Average extent of incoming Digital Gov. Records per biennium (files/GB)	Paper Gov. Backlog as of 12/2024 (Linear Feet)	Digital Gov. Record Backlog as of 12/2024 (Files)	Average extent of Gov. Record Backlog Processed per biennium
1,024 feet	49,271 (271.62 GB)	22,805	100,740	40 feet 20,000 files 84 collections reprocessed out of 6,959 total government collections

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
4	State Archives Storage for Maximum Longevity & Efficiency		365,072	211,590	576,662	2.00
	General Fund	Salaries and Wages	355,792	0	355,792	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses	9,280	4,090	13,370	
	General Fund	Capital Assets	0	207,500	207,500	

#5 – North Dakota 250 Commemoration - NDCC 55-01-13 & 14 establishes the America 250 commission and presents the powers and duties of the commission. As the commemoration date of July 4, 2026 will occur during the next biennium, funding is being requested to provide grants to communities and groups in the 8 regions across North Dakota; plan, fabricate, and purchase an exhibit production service for a State Museum Governors Gallery exhibition to be installed in the Governors Gallery of the State Museum; and provide public programming and events at the State Museum and state historic sites to compliment the North Dakota 250 exhibition in communities across the state.

Here are the details about this request:


Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
5	North Dakota 250 Commemoration			7,200,000	7,200,000	
	General Fund	America's 250th Celebration		7,200,000	7,200,000	

#6 – Historic Structure Building Improvements - In the 2021-2023 and 2023-2025 bienniums, \$4.2M in APRA funds and \$3.25M in SIIF funds, respectively, were appropriated to the agency for historical structure building improvements. We continue to monitor and prioritize a list of our building improvement needs. An attachment of all the historic building improvement needs are listed on pages 71-77. These improvements are needed to continue our goal of modernizing and repairing state structures and sites so that they are welcoming and attractive to all ND residents and visitors. Funding is requested to hire the appropriate design professionals and/or contractors to perform these improvements.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
6	Historic Structure Building Improvements			7,203,000	7,203,000	
	General Fund	Capital Assets		7,203,000	7,203,000	

#7 – Updating Learning Opportunities for Visitor, Student, and Digital Users – Updates to our education tools are needed for sharing the State Historical Society's educational information
Funding is being requested to hire a website design firm to update the outdated State Historical Society website design and functionality.



Planned visitor education updates include producing and installing 30 new outdoor interpretive signs to replace signs at state historic sites that currently feature outdated or inaccurate history. We request funding for both signage and installation at various state historic sites throughout ND.

This project, along with a tremendous increase in demand for digital and print materials produced by our agency, creates a need for an additional assistant editor position. Visitation to our North Dakota Studies website, required by Century Code and meeting state standards for grades 4, 8, and high school, increased by 11,252 users from 2023 to 2024--totaling 172,834 users in 2024. All ND Studies web content needs to be reviewed, new content written, and edited by this professional. The six ND Studies books in print also need to be updated, totaling more than 1,200 pages of content. During 2023-24, 24 new student lesson plans were edited for historical accuracy, grammar, and ease of reading by our editors, with 33 more backlogged. In addition, all content available on our websites needs to be vetted and updated as we continue to grow our online audience. Total website users increased over the past five years by more than 100,000 users. This professional editor will also help research, write, edit, and manage the growing amount of state history content placed into increasing numbers of exhibits—in the past creating an average of six per year from 2017-2020 and now averaging 10 new exhibits per year from 2021-24. We have also ramped up our historic sites and museums program publicity, added two newsletters, increased social media posts, videos, grant proposals, and additional content provided to the public. All of the agency's public materials are written or edited by the editorial team to maintain consistent "one voice" branding and accuracy across the agency.

The 2024 North Dakota History Day participation increased from 141 students participating in 2024 to an anticipated 856 students joining in spring 2025. 805 students have already registered from the Fargo area including Fargo North, Fargo Davies, and Fargo South, along with additional students from across the state. During this biennium we also launched a field trip program offering 50 new free tours for students at the State Museum, with 101 programs being provided. We provided two history training workshops for 157 North Dakota teachers. And due to increasing demand, we added new programs for toddlers through Grade 5, expanding from 44 programs in 2022 to now offering 200 programs per year. We have also researched, written and provided 24 new ND Studies lesson plans for teachers in 2023-24. Funding is requested for our agency to hire two additional education positions to manage these growing education workloads involving North Dakota's students, teachers, and lifelong learners.

Updates are needed to the Interpretive Center at Fort Totten State Historic Site. Fort Totten served as an Indian boarding school for decades longer that it was a military outpost. Funding is requested to hire consultants to create new exhibits reflecting a more inclusive story with tribal nation involvement of the boarding school experience.

There is a need for our agency to provide GIS and AI technical assistance to users and researchers that are required to meet the requirements under the National Historic Preservation Act, ND Century Code 55-02, 55-03, and 55-10, and ND Administrative Code 40-02. Funding is requested to hire a position that will leverage GIS and AI resources to provide state-of-the-art assistance to North Dakota's citizens and visitors including federal agencies conducting cultural resource reviews, identify applicants looking for federal funding or permitting, and provide world-class historical experiences for all.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
7	Updating State Historical Society Visitor, Student, and Digital User Info		809,758	138,180	947,938	4.00
	General Fund	Salaries and Wages	791,998	0	791,998	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses	17,760	113,180	130,940	
	General Fund	Capital Assets	0	25,000	25,000	

#8 – New Exhibition Needs for the State Museum & State Historic Sites – Our public-facing information and most-used visitor services which attract tourists, students, and digital users of our content from around the world need to be updated to continue to showcase the best of North Dakota’s history.

The first initiative involves updating the Pembina Museum exhibitions. In the 2023-25 biennium, consultants were hired to revamp the exhibition space with updated history. Funding is requested to purchase the exhibit objects and install the new gallery design. In addition, funding is requested to collaborate with ND Geological Survey paleontologists to develop a new permanent fossil exhibit in the Pembina Museum’s temporary exhibits gallery, which would promote the valuable fossil discoveries in this region of the state and draw new visitors to the museum. Funding is also being requested to increase awareness of the Pembina State Museum by designing two billboards that would reach traffic coming and going from Canada. North Dakota Century Code 55-02-06 mandates agency responsibility to promote the Pembina State Museum.

Additionally, funding is requested to fulfill the newspaper advertisement requirements of the museum abandoned property law in chapter NDCC 55-12 to resolve the ownership status of loans that have remained in our possession without any contact from the lender dating back 10 years or more.

Over the past 30 years, the State Historical Society has grown with the addition of six state historic sites, the Pembina State Museum, and expansions of the State Museum and other sites, and new interpretive centers at the Chateau and Fort Abercrombie. All of these include exhibition spaces. Yet the number of staff who manage exhibition work has not increased. In addition, over the next five years, upcoming exhibition projects include the creation and management of a new ND Military Gallery, exhibit projects in Medora at our existing facilities and potential new facilities, a redesign of the State Museum’s Inspiration Gallery, a new exhibit at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, and an entirely revamped exhibition space at the Pembina State Museum. However, with this exciting agency growth in service to North Dakota citizens, we continue this work with a team of three curatorial staff, one exhibitions manager, and one exhibitions preparator to serve our exhibition needs. We are also producing an average of 10 new exhibits per year, instead of an average of six exhibits per year from 2017-2020. Funding is requested for one exhibitions position to work with partners and exhibitions firms on proposals and contracts, help install exhibitions, address maintenance challenges, fabricate exhibit components, fix aging exhibition and technology parts, and work with electrical components.

We also request a curator position to help determine and prepare objects for our many growing exhibits, clean exhibit cases and objects in increased museum spaces, serve as the expert for public inquiries about the military gallery artifacts, and catalogue and monitor the conditions of these artifacts. We are already receiving public interest in donating items and expect public interest to continue to grow as the military gallery construction begins. This position would also help our staff expand our statewide outreach curatorial work with local

communities and local historical societies as demand is increasing. In 2024, curators assisted the historical societies of Bottineau, Enderlin, Hettinger, McIntosh, Dunn and McHenry with cataloging collections.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
8	New Exhibition Needs for State Museum & State Historic Sites		435,244	642,090	1,077,334	2.00
	General Fund	Salaries and Wages	388,964	0	388,964	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses	46,280	642,090	688,370	

#9 – Medora Area Planning - In 2024, the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) initiated a comprehensive strategic planning process for the Chateau de Morès State Historic Site's three properties in Medora. This plan is designed to guide the site's development from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2034. This long-range plan is included as an attachment on pages 67-70. In addition, we are in contract negotiations with Snøhetta for architectural design services to implement these goals.

Funding is requested to implement the following:

1. Sustainable use of the Chateau's three sites; balancing preservation of exhibits and artifacts with visitor engagement; and carefully designing restorations and enhancements, including installing heating, air, and improved accessibility at the historic Chateau home.
2. A Chateau Interpretive Center building addition of a museum focusing on hunting and wildlife found in North Dakota. Weaving together the conservation legacy of Theodore Roosevelt with the Chateau's history as a summer hunting lodge, this museum and its family-oriented programs will increase our visitation. Both guests of the Theodore Roosevelt Library a short distance away and additional Medora tourists are expected to embrace this unique visitor experience. This building addition will include a large gallery exhibit space, food service, and some housing for staff.
3. Plans for constructing a family-friendly riverfront walkway, along with developing river access for kayaking, canoeing, tubing, and wading.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
9	Medora Area Planning			23,470,000	23,470,000	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses		450,000	450,000	
	SIIF	Operating Expenses		0	0	
	General Fund	Capital Assets		23,020,000	23,020,000	

#10 – Revolutionizing archaeology among increasing requests - The State Historical Society has statutory authority for federal and state cultural resource reviews through its State Historic Preservation Office and State Historic Site Management responsibilities under the National Historic Preservation Act, North Dakota Century Code 55-02, 55-03, and 55-10, and North Dakota Administrative Code 40-02. The increase in federal

infrastructure projects coupled with an expected increase in energy production is increasing workloads, with a 42% increase from 2022.

Additionally, the State Historical Society has been at the forefront in the use of non-destructive methods, such as the introduction of Uncrewed Aerial Systems and geophysical prospection tools, including Ground Penetrating Radar, which are revolutionizing archaeology. Funding is requested to for an additional FTE to conducting studies in-house at our managed properties to help set precedents in modernizing fieldwork for cultural resource management consultants to use non-destructive methods. This will aid contractors in the adoption of technological innovations thus reducing contractors' costs, which can then be passed on to the clients seeking regulatory assistance.

In order to develop innovative procedures for consistent and timely consultation, provide efficient technical assistance to federal agencies and private applicants amongst increasing workloads, and educate stakeholders on the importance of protecting North Dakota's finite cultural heritage while streamlining review processes, funding is requested for an additional FTE to keep up with this ongoing demand.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
10	Revolutionizing archaeology among increasing workloads		370,876	4,090	374,966	2.00
	General Fund	Salaries and Wages	144,636	0	144,636	
	Federal Fund	Salaries and Wages	216,960	0	216,960	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses	6,160	4,090	10,250	
	Federal Fund	Operating Expenses	3,120	0	3,120	

#11 – Rural Revitalization & Cultural Heritage Grant Programs - Historic preservation conserves resources, reduces waste, and saves money by repairing and reusing existing buildings instead of tearing them down and building new ones. Across the state, historic preservation and economic development are making a difference. The preservation of old buildings, neighborhoods, and landscapes define the look of a community. The rehabilitation of a single historic building can spark a new residential or commercial development. Suburban sprawl and roadside development make every community look the same, it is important for rural North Dakota to keep their identities intact.

For example, Traill County North Dakota is a treasure trove of historic architecture with nineteen buildings listed in the National Register of Historic Places and three historic districts, one of which is the state's oldest public library at the Mayville Public Library. Constructed of rustic sandstone, classic columns, wood brackets, and cornice windows, the city has made a commitment to maintaining the historic library with recent rehabilitation to the windows, doors, cornice, and roof contributing \$200,000 for preservation since 2001. The library remains in use and is an anchor for other historic architectural buildings in region. Another example is the former Williston Middle School, which sat empty for years before being transformed into affordable senior housing representing both a way to help seniors living on fixed income and preserve the history of Williston. The \$10.6 million redevelopment was supported by federal, state and local government funding. The Ellendale Opera House building is yet another example. Although the community has sustainable businesses operating in this

building, the structure continues to have restoration needs. Funding is being requested to provide larger sums under a state Rural Revitalization grant to revitalize and rehabilitate projects similar to that of the Williston High School, the Mayville Public Library, and the Ellendale Opera House.

In addition, as part of the 3% budget reduction, the agency cut \$500,000 from our cultural heritage grant program. These are small grants that are given to communities throughout North Dakota for a variety of projects ranging from \$10K-\$30K. The demand for these grants continues to increase. Funding is being requested to reinstate this grant program, along with hiring an additional FTE to monitor these programs.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
11	Rural Revitalization & Cultural Heritage Grant Programs		11,685,440	2,045	11,687,485	1.00
	General Fund	Salaries and Wages	180,800	0	180,800	
	General Fund	Operating Expenses	4,640	2,045	6,685	
	General Fund	Grants	11,500,000	0	11,500,000	

#12 – Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant - The Paul Bruhn grant program is administered by the National Park Service and provides pass-thru Federal grant funding to qualifying subrecipients for historic preservation to National Register listed buildings located in rural communities.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
12	Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant			750,000	750,000	
	Federal Fund	Grants		750,000	750,000	

#13 – Underrepresented Community Grant Program - Funding will be provided by a National Park Service Underrepresented Communities grant to hire a consultant that would focus on survey and context development of integrated baseball players and fields in North Dakota and culminate in a National Register Nomination.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
13	Underrepresented Community Grant Program			75,000	75,000	
	Federal Fund	Grants		75,000	75,000	

#14 – Natural Resources Cultural Services Grant - Funding is being provided by the NRCS, Natural Resources Cultural Services, to hire a full-time temporary Historic Preservation Specialist. This position would be

responsible for reviewing NRCS projects to ensure timely environmental reviews under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and also overseeing completion of all aspects of the consultation and review process, including data entry, internal coordination of the review process, identification of historic properties, assessment of effects and providing comments to applicable federal agency.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
14	National Resources Cultural Services Grant		172,402	2,011	174,413	
	Federal Fund	Salaries and Wages	170,122	0	170,122	
	Federal Fund	Operating Expenses	2,280	2,011	4,291	

#15 – USDA Forest Service Grant - Funding will be provided by the USDA Forest Service to hire a full-time temporary Archaeology Collections Specialist. This position would support and assist with care, preservation and maintenance of the USDA Forest Service collections housed at the SHSND.

Here are the details about this request:

Priority	Fund	Source	Agency Request Ongoing	Agency Request One-Time	Agency Request Total	FTE Request
15	USDA Forest Service Grant			50,000	50,000	
	Federal Fund	Salaries and Wages		46,460	46,460	
	Federal Fund	Operating Expenses		3,540	3,540	

2023-25 One-Time Funding Uses

One-Time Funding Description	2023-25
Historic site and extraordinary repairs	3,250,000
Inflationary costs	120,795
Digital interactive initiative	425,000
Geographic information system remote access and upgrade	250,000
Medora site planning	150,000
Army corps of engineers grant	400,000
Opera house restoration	250,000
Whitestone Hill monument	250,000
Digital humanities advancement grant	30,000
Scanner and microfilm plotter	236,044
Exhibit engagement	375,000
Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grant	750,000
Underrepresented community grant	125,000
America's 250th celebration	250,000
Military museum	20,000,000
Total all funds	26,861,839
Total special funds	24,955,000
Total general fund	1,906,839



2023-25 One-Time Funding Uses – Slide 19

Historical site and extraordinary repairs - \$3,250,000 in SIIF funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$366,362.91 has been spent.

To date, this money has funded projects that include hiring an architect and conducting an environmental survey at Fort Totten State Historic Site where we are planning to restore the gymnasium; restoring the house/office at Whitestone Hill State Historic Site which is now being used to provide housing for the site's supervisor; stabilizing the foundation and repairing the roof and exterior wall at the Chateau de Mores historic home; and plaster and painting repair at the Welk Homestead State Historic Site.

Other projects that have been obligated include Greenflush restrooms that will be installed at the Welk Homestead, Whitestone Hill, and Fort Buford State Historic Sites; continued work at the Chateau de Mores home that include an electrical upgrade, insulation, and the installation of an HVAC; installation of a septic system at the Caretaker's Cottage in Medora; and repairs to the fire suppression tank at Fort Buford.

Other projects that we plan to enter into contracts in 2025 include regrading the Gingras Trading Post State Historic Site due to silting, along with replacing the windows; repairing the roof and wall of the event center at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center; replacing the boiler and improving the heating system at the Oscar Zero Missile Alert Facility within the Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile State Historic Site; and miscellaneous repairs to additional sites.

We plan to have the full amount obligated by the end of the biennium but may need carryover authority to complete these projects.


Inflationary costs - \$120,795 in General funds were appropriated.

As December 31, 2024, \$24,158.92 has been spent. This adjustment has been applied to increased utility costs at our artifact storage units and historic sites. At this time, we are unable to determine if we will use all the funds appropriated.

Digital interactive initiative - \$425,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$27,400 has been spent.

To date, the agency has purchased a several items that will debut as part of our ND250 exhibit in the State Museum including: a digital interactive screen to highlight important tribal nation stories from the 1700s as part of our ND250 exhibition; a Magic Box exhibit piece to showcase films, documents, and artifacts related to the state capitol burning and construction of the next capitol; another large digital screen that will show a statewide interactive trail of "World's Largest" sculptures, as well as state historical sites to visit. After this exhibit closes at the end of 2027, these pieces will move to the Inspiration Gallery: Yesterday and Today at the State Museum. Another large digital screen will be installed in the Inspiration Gallery and allow the visitor to select engaging film footage, personal stories, and artifact stories related to the military in North Dakota.



In addition, the agency is working to install a visitor digital walking trail from the Capitol Grounds to the Former Governors' Mansion and Camp Hancock State Historic Site in downtown Bismarck that will provide a colorful history of statues, landmarks, and buildings.

A new kiosk is being ordered for Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center to develop a new Missouri river education component.

The agency plans to spend the full amount authorized. Our goal is to use all the funds by June 30, 2025, but carryover authority may be needed.

Geographic information system remote access and upgrade - \$250,000, of which \$225,000 in General funds and \$25,000 in historic revolving funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$5,658 has been spent. Additionally, \$50,000 has been obligated to VertiGIS for professional support and development (\$1,530 invoiced and paid 12/16/2024). Another \$45,000 is earmarked for additional VertiGIS software modules (VertiGIS FM), and remaining budget is earmarked for additional professional development services as they are identified during project design. We plan to use all funding by June 30, 2025.

Medora site planning - \$150,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$82,073 has been spent.

As previously noted, a comprehensive strategic plan for the Chateau de Morès State Historic Site and surrounding properties in Medora was completed. See a copy of the long-range plan on pages 67-70.

The remaining funding will be used for architectural design services for the various properties in Medora working with Snøhetta. We have come to terms and conditions with Snøhetta, with work scheduled to begin at the beginning of 2025.

Army corps of engineers grant - \$250,000 in Federal funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, there weren't any funds spent. We did not enter into a Task Order agreement with the COE; therefore, we do not expect to spend this authority.


Opera house restoration - \$250,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$250,000 had been spent.

With this grant, a major restoration of the west wall, sidewalk, and foundation of the Ellendale Opera House was completed.

Whitestone Hill monument - \$250,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, there weren't any funds spent. A contract has been awarded to Quintus 3D for the professional architectural and design services of a Native American Memorial/Monument at Whitestone Hill State Historic Site. The firm is progressing on the design work. The agency plans



Digital humanities advancement grant - \$30,000 in Federal funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, no funds were spent. We were not awarded this grant; therefore, we do not expect to spend this authority.

Scanner and microfilm plotter - \$236,044 in General funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$185,458 has been spent. The State Archives purchased an Archive Writer allowing digital newspapers to be quickly downloaded and printed in microfilm and eliminating distorted images caused by human error. All North Dakota newspapers preserved on microfilm by the agency will be processing using this new technology by the beginning of 2025. In addition, Archives purchased a Scan Master, which is a new imaging system that speeds up the scanning of oversize items such as maps and newspapers. The agency is currently in the procurement process to purchase a microfilm processor. The agency plans to spend the full amount authorized.

Exhibit engagement - \$375,000, of which \$300,000 in SIIF funds and \$75,000 in donated funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$62,526 has been spent. To date, the agency has purchased six 98" digital screens to replace failing and pixelized technology in the Inspiration Gallery at the State Museum. In addition, a new "Guns of the Expedition" exhibit is being created, with new exhibit cases and historic objects being ordered at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center in Washburn. A "Sunflowers & Sundogs" exhibit was installed at the Chateau Interpretive Center in Medora with a few additions to come. A new sound system has been ordered for the Chateau Interpretive Center to add sounds to the museum gallery. An exhibit contractor was hired to refresh the Pembina State Museum and plans are underway to order a few new exhibit objects for this extensive update.

Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grant - \$750,000 in Federal funds were appropriated.


As of December 31, 2024, there weren't any funds spent. We have applied for this grant for the past three years but have not been awarded the funding. Therefore, we do not expect to spend this authority by June 30, 2025.

Underrepresented community grant - \$125,000 in Federal funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$28,527 has been spent. The Fort Totten Indian Boarding School National Register nomination update is moving forward. A contractor has been hired and has made two visits to the site. They are planning a research trip to Bismarck in January 2025. The draft of the updated nomination is due June with the final nomination being presented at the August 2025 State Review Board. We are asking for carryover authority for the remaining amount to be carried over into the 2025-27 biennium for this project as we have a contract extending through March 2026.

America's 250th celebration - \$250,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of December 31, 2024, \$3,514 has been spent. Work continues on this project as we prepare to share North Dakota's story as part of the nation's 250th birthday on July 4, 2026. In accordance with NDCC 55-01-14 Section 4. Subsection c., the State's replica of the Liberty Bell was moved from storage and is on exhibit in the ND Heritage Center & State Museum. We are advertising for a North Dakota 250 Coordinator to help plan and coordinate statewide events. We are asking for carryover authority for the remaining amount in addition to the optional request.

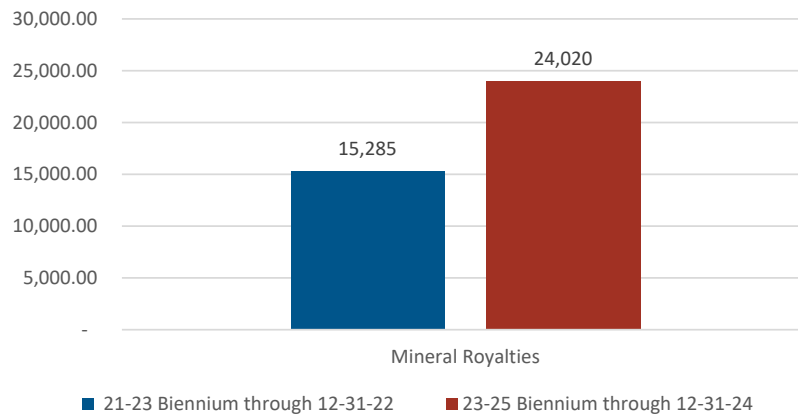


Military museum - \$20,000,000 line of credit was extended to the agency.

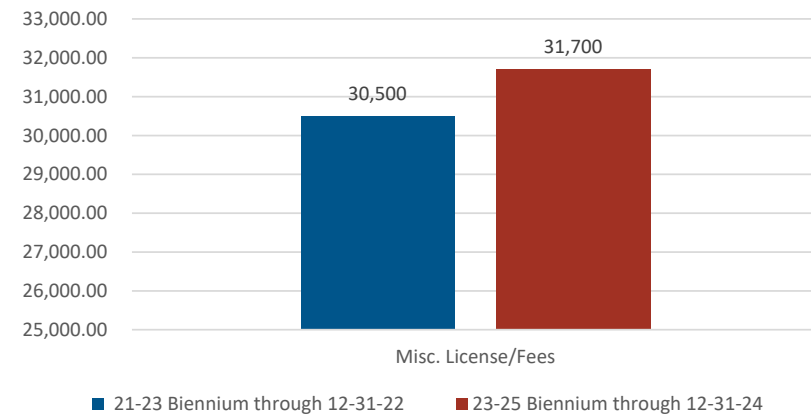
As of December 31, 2024, the agency has drawn \$2,256,392.10 and has \$27,810.09 due in interest. Zerr Berg Architects/BWBR were selected by a committee for architectural services of a preliminary design of a military museum. Zerr Berg/BWBR included the option, which the agency opted to take, to add on a virtual concept study completed by Ralph Appelbaum Associates. A selection committee then opted to hire Ralph Appelbaum and Associates to prepare and install the exhibits in the military gallery. Finally, a selection committee selected Kraus Anderson to be the construction manager at-risk for the project. We are currently in the Construction Documents phase of the project. Funding is requested to complete the project in the optional request.

Agency Collection Comparison

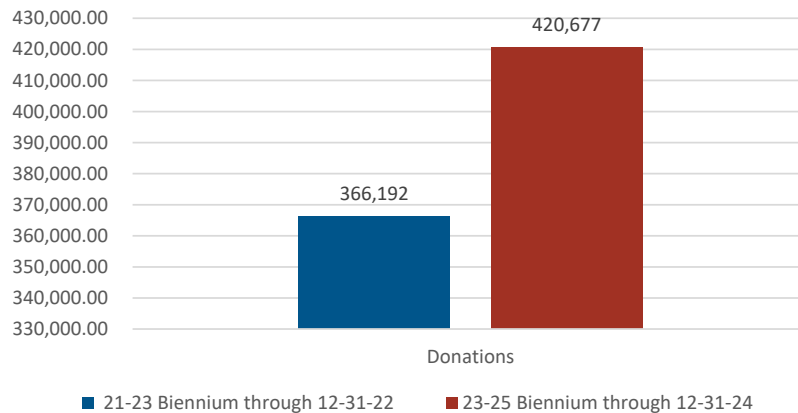
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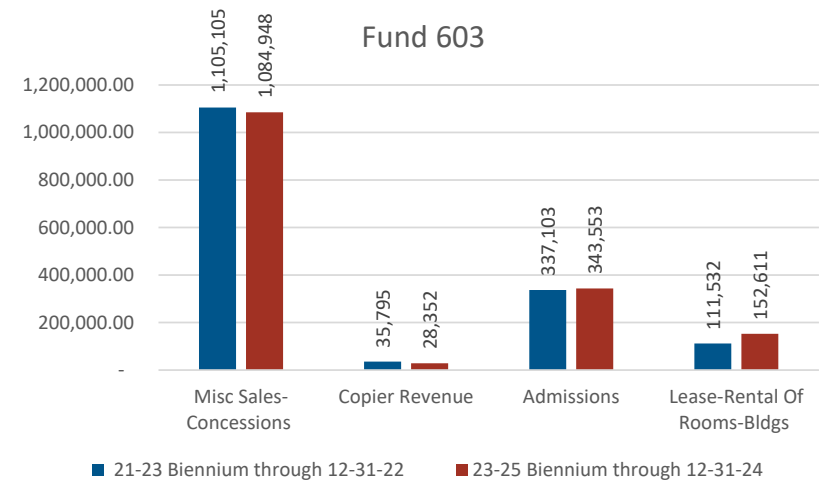
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Agency Collection Comparison – Slide 20

This slide shows a comparison of the revenues in the first 18 months of the 2021-23 biennium to the first 18 months in the 2023-25 biennium. I will discuss our revenues by each fund.

General Fund

The revenues in the General fund are mineral royalties received from land we own at our Fort Buford Historic Site in Williams County; at Killdeer Mountain Battlefield Historic Site in Dunn County; and at Writing Rock Historic Site in Divide County. Also included in these revenues are credits from our electrical bills paid to local electrical coops. These fees fluctuate according to oil production.

Fund 327 (State Historical Revolving Fund)

NDCC 55-03-04 establishes a revolving fund, which we call the Archaeological Permit fund. Revenue deposited into this fund is authorized under NDCC 55-03-01 and 01.1. These fees are for Archaeological Permits and for cultural resource reports issued of an amount set by the director. Charges to this fund are to pay for a portion of the GIS software licenses. These fees have not increased since the late 1990s. The Historical Society is reviewing its fee structure and anticipate updates by the end of calendar year 2025.

Fund 415 (Historical Gift and Bequest Fund)

NDCC 55-01-04 allows the agency to accept donations. Our significant donations in the 2023-25 biennium include mitigation funds received from BNSF that will be passed through as a grant to subrecipients, a grant from NDDOT for the deconstruction of a sign in Medora that will be reconstructed after work on Pacific Avenue is completed, funds received from the ND Newspaper Association to supplement the purchase of an Archive Writer, a donation to process the Ritterbush collections in the State Archives, and a grant from Teaching with Primary Sources to conduct a teacher in-service at Fort Totten Historical Site. All donations collected must be used for the purpose intended by the donor. Our donations remained fairly consistent from biennium to biennium.

Fund 603 (Concessions Fund)

NDCC 55-02-04 allows the agency to charge fees for concessions sales. The main sources of revenue under this fund are from museum store sales, costs for the public to make copies of archival documents available in Reference Services at the State Archives, admission sales at our historic sites, facility event rentals.

Copier revenue slightly decreased. These funds are used for the operating expenses to make the copies and may be used on temporary salaries for individuals in Reference Services within the State Archives.

There was also slight decrease in museum store sales. The fees for merchandise sold in the stores across the state are set according to retail standards that consist of cost, sales tax, MSRSP, and any surcharges that may apply to the item. Prices are set to cover the costs, which are used for salaries of the Museum Store employees and suppling inventory for all the sites.

We noted growth in admissions to state historic sites. A committee meets every few years to review the set admission fees. New admission fees went into effect Jan. 1, 2025, at our staffed historic sites. Admissions revenues supplement a portion of salaries for temporary employees at our historic sites.

Facility rental revenue went up significantly this period. This is due to an increase in our fees for facility rentals after a study was completed, which found our fees were significantly less than other local venues. These fees are used to fund salaries for event staff and security officers hired for facility rentals, along with being used for improvements and upgrades to our meeting rooms.



Federal State Fiscal Relief Funds

- HVAC system at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center
- Dark Fiber project to the Missouri Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center and Fort Buford State Historic Site
- Purchase of Security Cameras to be installed at our historic sites located in Jamestown, Medora, Williston, and Fort Abercrombie



Federal State Fiscal Relief Funds – Slide 21

In the 2021 Special Session, the legislative assembly authorized SFRF funds under House Bill 1505 Section 2 for historic site improvements, in which carryover authority was given by the sixty-eighth legislative assembly under Senate Bill 2018 Section 10. As of December 31, 2024, there was \$181,950.11 remaining to be spent. These moneys have been obligated to putting in a new HVAC system at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center. This project has been substantially completed and therefore the funds will be paid by June 30, 2025.

Also in the 2021 Special Session, the legislative assembly authorized SFRF funds under Senate Bill 2345 Section 1 Subsection 12, in which the Capital Construction Carryover Committee authorized carryover authority. As of December 31, 2024, there is \$410,991.58 remaining to be spent for IT infrastructure projects. We are working with NDIT to provide internet service through a rural internet service provider to the Missouri Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center (MYCIC) near Williston. We estimate this project will be completed in the spring of 2025 at an estimated cost of \$95K. A project to trench wires for two miles from MYCIC to the Fort Buford State Historic Site has been completed. \$203K will be paid from these funds in January 2025. The remaining \$113K is allocated for the purchase and installation of security cameras with the ability to integrate to our new security system at some of our sites, including the Chateau Interpretive Center, Fort Abercrombie, Fort Buford, and the 1883 Stutsman County Courthouse. These projects will use all available funds by June 30, 2025.

Carryover Uses Report in accordance with NDCC 55-44.1-11





Carryover uses report in accordance with NDCC 54-44.1-11 – Slide 22

NDCC 54-44.1-11 states, “...the state historical society shall report on the amounts and uses of funds carried over from one biennium to the appropriations committees of the next subsequent legislative assembly.”

The agency carried over \$709,503.41 from the 2021-23 biennium to the 2023-25 biennium.

A majority of the funds were carried over for historical site needs. Projects included new wayfinding signage at the Welk Homestead State Historic Site, obligation to replace the fence at Camp Hancock State Historic Site running beside the railroad tracks, the hiring of a consultant to design a new permanent exhibit at the Pembina State Museum, and to supplement what is needed in excess of the SFRF funds for the HVAC project at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center. Also, in working with the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force, funding is being used to transport an HH-1H Iroquois “Huey” helicopter that once belonged to the 79th Rescue Flight stationed at Grand Forks Air Force Base (1993 to 1998) from Arizona to display at the Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile State Historic Site in Cooperstown.

Grant funds obligated under the 2021-23 Cultural Heritage Grant were carried over into the 2023-25 biennium. Funding was granted to the McHenry County Historical Society for restoration of the City Hall, Antler Historical Society to restore the town square and State Bank of Antler building, and a Dakota Adventist Academy project to restore class composite photos that had been displayed in their hallways. These included composites from Dakota Adventist Academy, Sheyenne River Academy, and Plainview Academy.

Funds were also carried over for a consultant hired to develop a comprehensive agency plan for the audit, review, and enhancement of policies and procedures pertaining to 2024 guidelines to the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (1990), or NAGPRA.

Finally, funds were carried over for technology projects. These projects included repairing fiber lines in Medora, personal computers and monitors for staff, the purchase of a weather station at Camp Hancock in Bismarck, and upgrades to the sound system in the auditorium at the ND Heritage Center & State Museum.

Thank you.



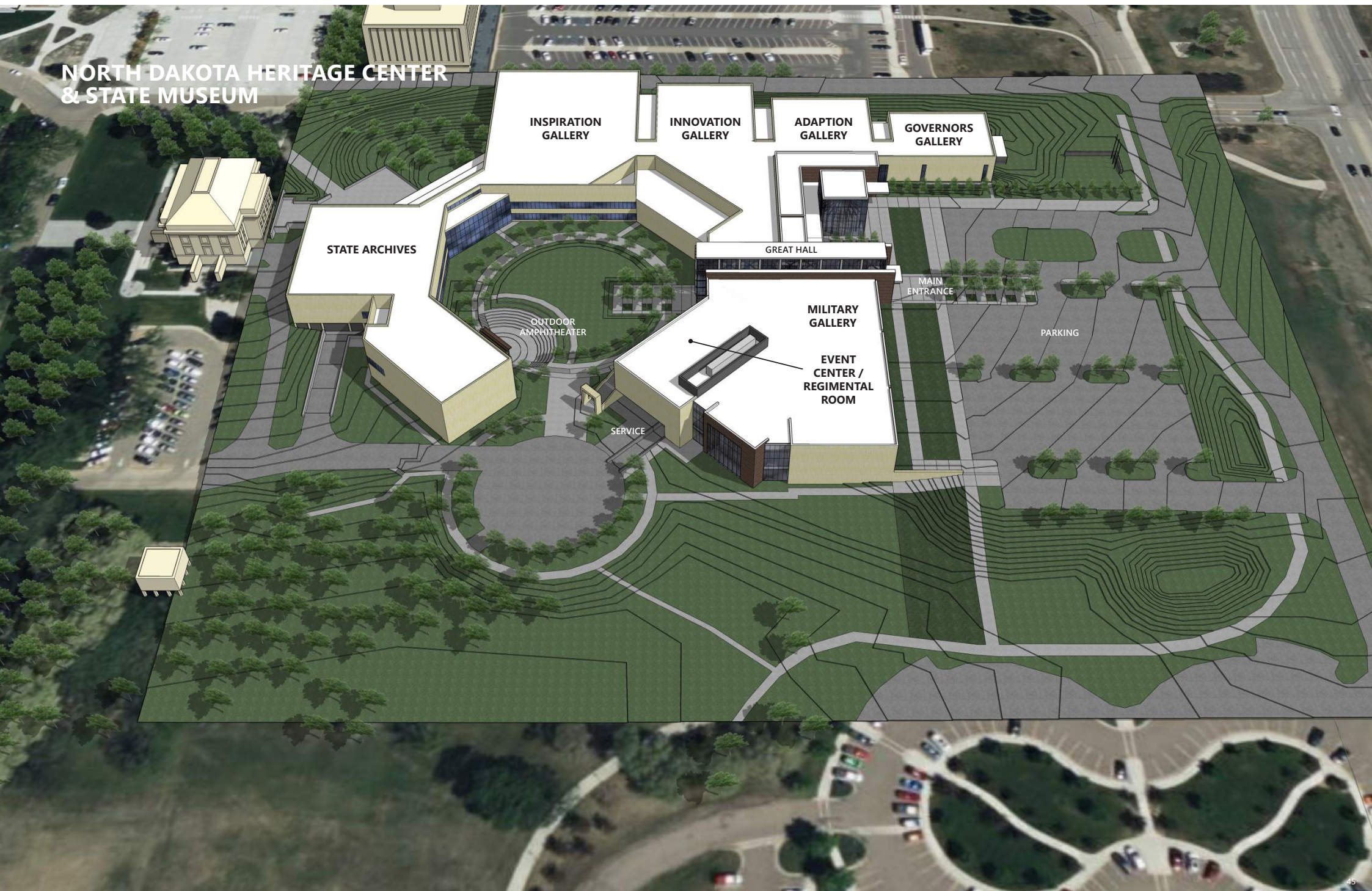
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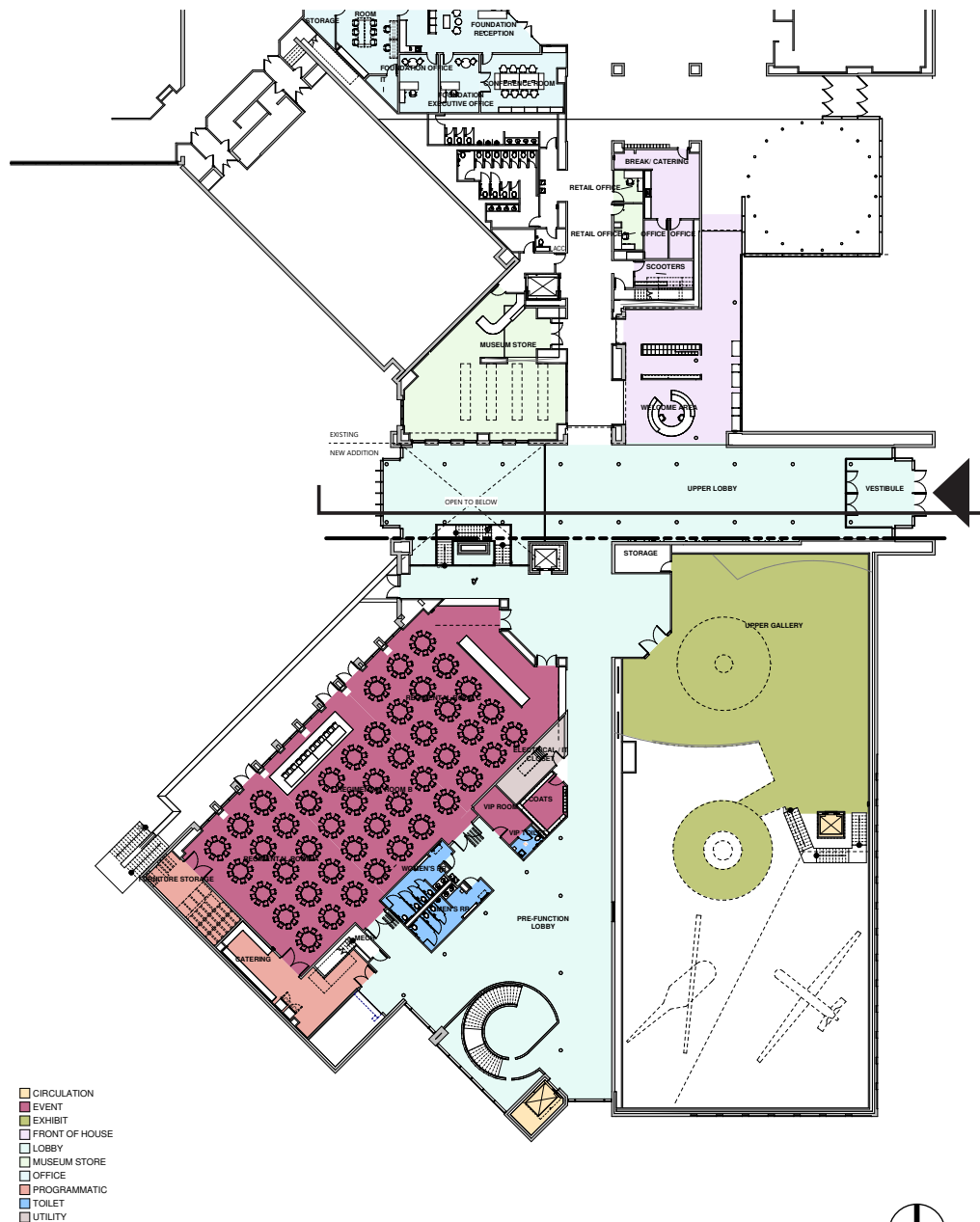
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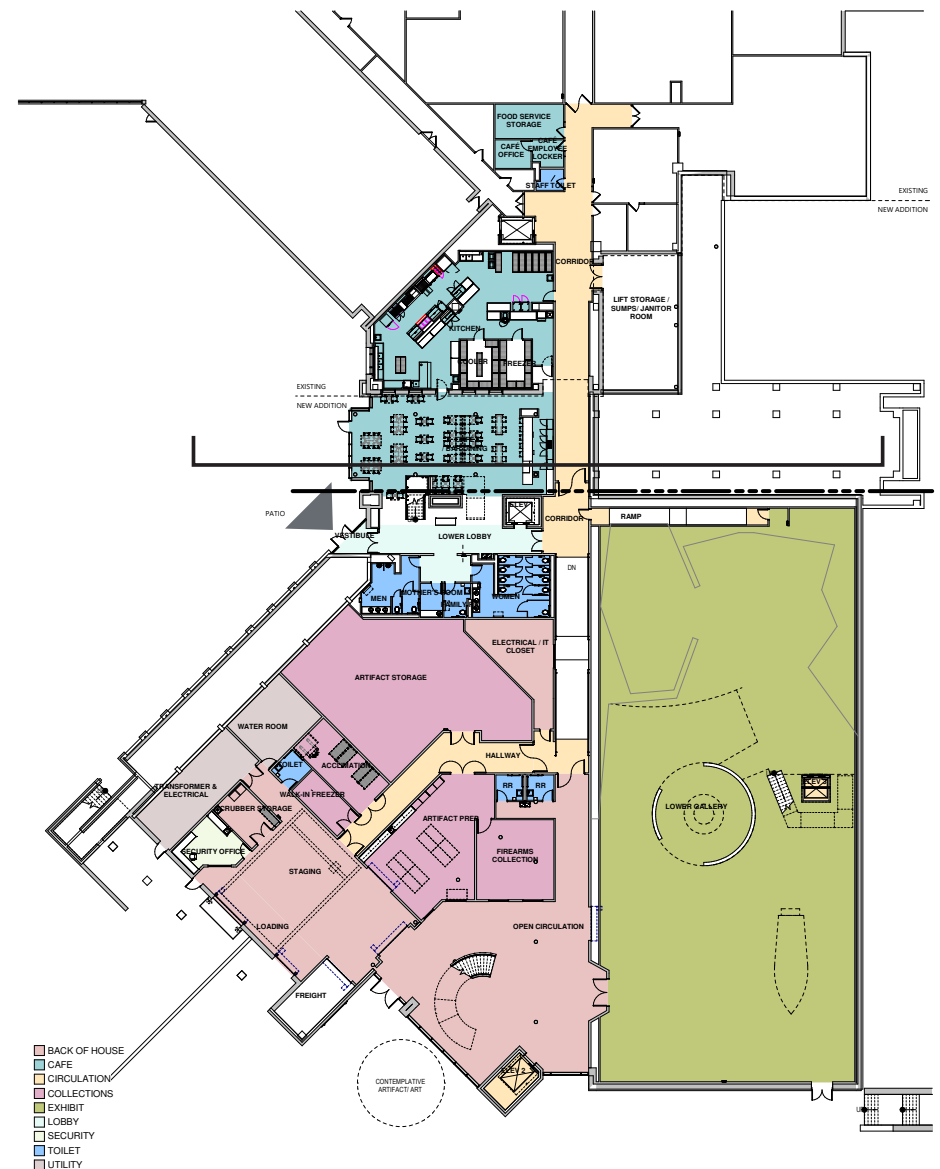
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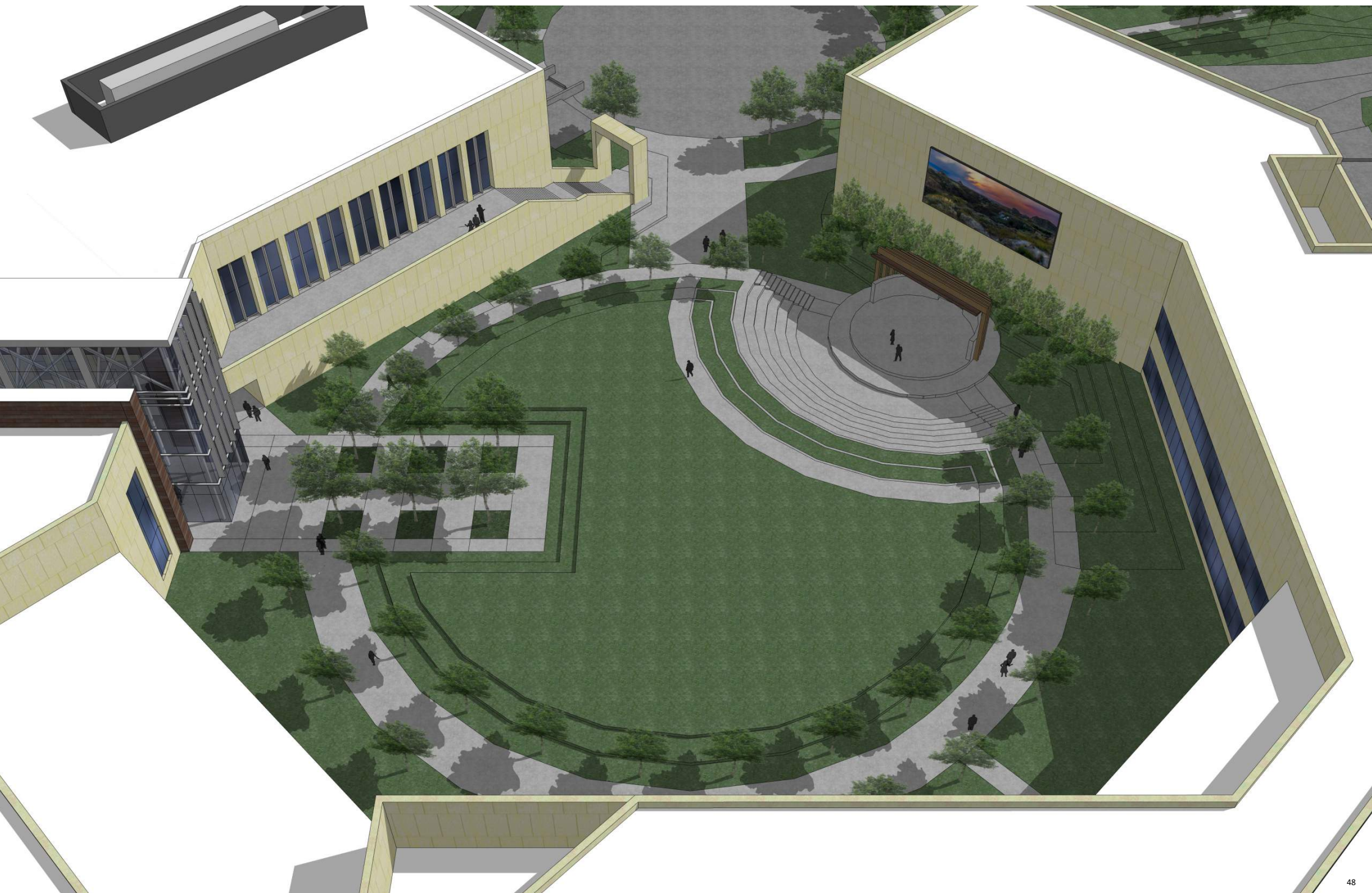
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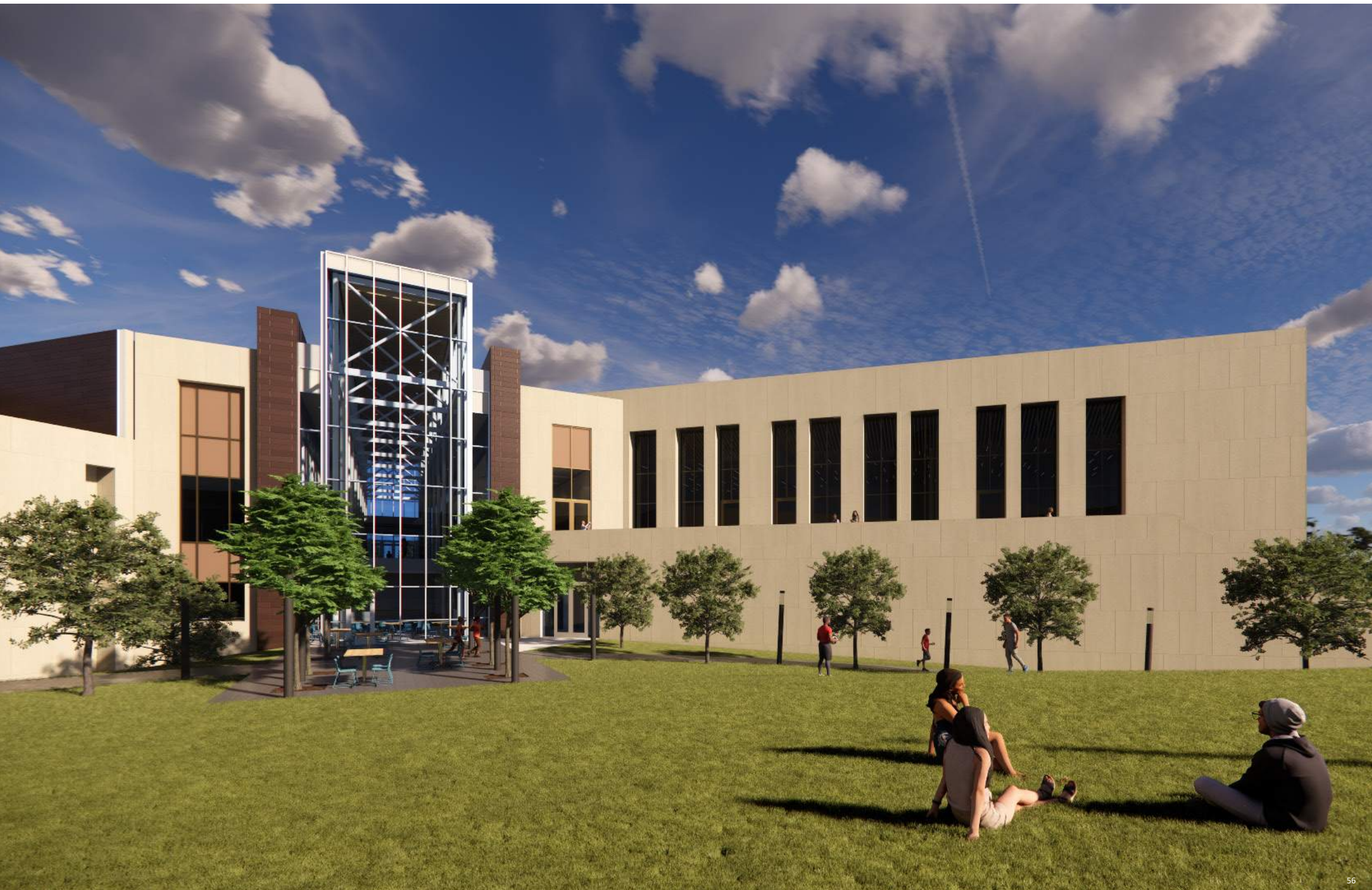






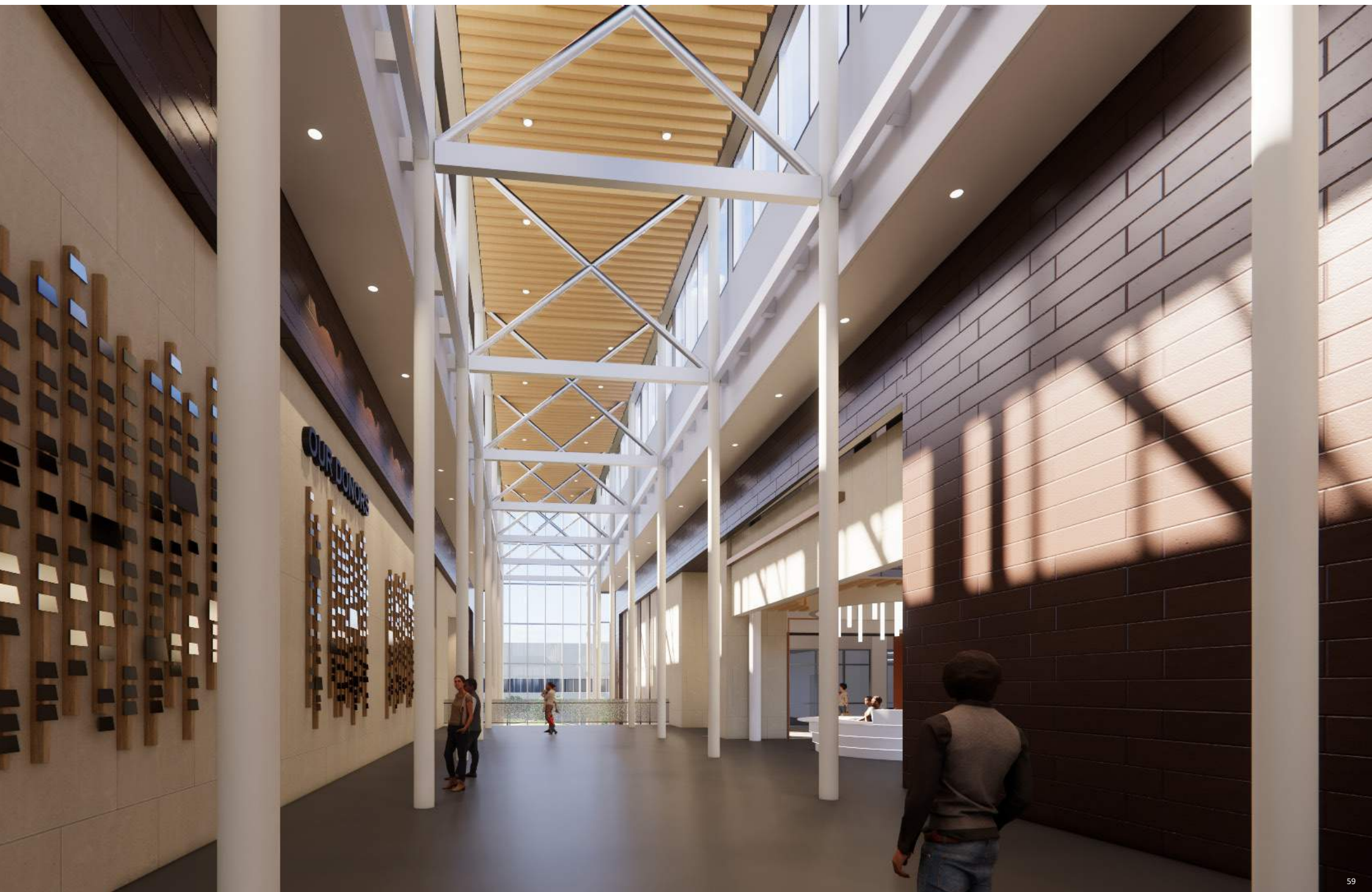












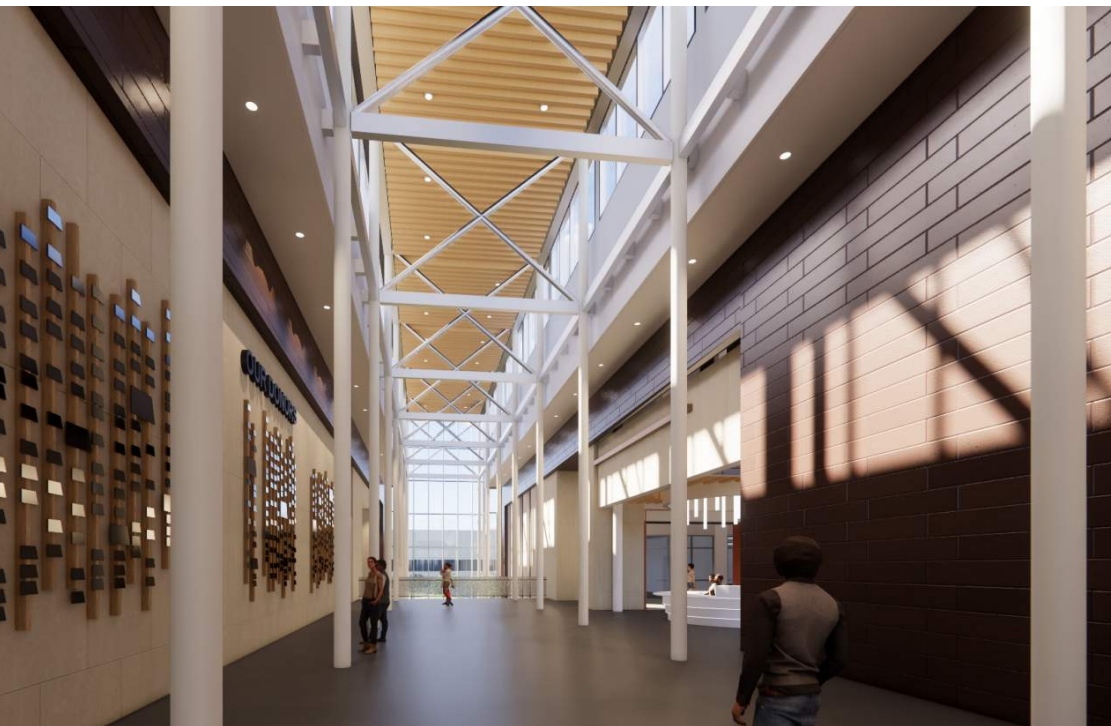














STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF NORTH DAKOTA
CHATEAU DE MORÈS STATE HISTORIC SITE



Ten-Year Strategic Plan

For The Chateau de Morès State Historic Site

July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2034



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2023, the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) initiated a comprehensive strategic planning process for the Chateau de Morès State Historic Site. This plan is designed to guide the site's development from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2034, aligning with SHSND's mission to identify, preserve, interpret, and promote North Dakota's heritage.

The primary goals of this plan are to expand services and attractions, increase visitation, ensure sustainability and responsible use, enhance community engagement, and secure financial viability.

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

The strategic plan was developed with the help of Odney, Inc., Dakota Strategies, LLC, and Klipfel Consulting, who were instrumental in gathering extensive input from a diverse group of stakeholders.

This process included:

- **Strategy Development Group (SDG):** The SDG was asked to collaborate and make recommendations to the SHSND Leadership Team on the strategic plan. It consisted of sixteen members representing the Governor's Office, Legislature, Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library, Theodore Roosevelt National Park, Medora Foundation, Dickinson CVB, Indian Affairs, SHSND Foundation, ND Tourism, and SHSND. The SDG met five times from January 1, 2024, through May 31, 2024.
- **Surveys:** An online survey was conducted from January 16, 2024, through February 5, 2024, with 618 participants providing valuable insights. A Mailchimp scoring survey was conducted in May 2024.
- **Interviews:** Personal interviews were conducted from January 1, 2024, through April 29, 2024, with a total of 39 interviews completed.
- **Focus Groups:** Four focus groups were conducted from January 1, 2024, through May 31, 2024, to gather in-depth feedback and suggestions.

The process included identifying and analyzing strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT). The results of this SWOT analysis are attached as APPENDIX A. The SHSND weaknesses can easily be overcome by the strengths. All the opportunities can be pursued as strategic initiatives.

The process also helped generate the "big ideas" that have been incorporated into this strategic plan.

These efforts ensured that the strategic plan reflects the views and needs of key stakeholders, including the SHSND Executive Team, Chateau de Morès State Historic Site team members, other SHSND members, the State Historical Society of North Dakota Foundation, the State Historical Board, the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library Foundation, the Medora Area Convention & Visitors Bureaus (CVB), the Governor's Office, Billings County leaders, City of Medora leaders, and other community stakeholders.

KEY OBJECTIVES AND GOALS

The strategic plan outlines specific objectives, goals, and tactics, guided by SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound) criteria.

Key objectives include:

1. **Expand Services and Attractions:** Identify innovative programs and attractions to enhance the visitor experience, including the development of year-round programming, recreation of the historic packing plant with tourist amenities, and a new interpretive gallery focused on hunting and wildlife.

2. **Increase Visitation:** Develop strategies to increase the number of Chateau visitors from 15,000 per year to 100,000 per year, leveraging the anticipated increase in regional tourism due to the opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library in 2026.
3. **Educational Impact:** Enable 25,000 students per year to participate in programs and tours at the Chateau, Packing Plant, and/or Memorial Park.
4. **Sustainability and Responsible Use:** Ensure the sustainable use of the sites, balancing preservation of exhibits and artifacts with visitor engagement, and carefully designing restorations and enhancements, including installing heating, air and humidity control, and improved accessibility within historic preservation standards in the Chateau, and developing river access for recreational activities while mitigating disruption to the environment.
5. **Partnership and Community Engagement:** Enhance partnerships with federal, state, local and private partners in conjunction with community outreach to integrate the site more deeply with local, state, and federal infrastructure, and promote tourism through mutual efforts.
6. **Financial Viability:** Propose revenue-generating opportunities to support site maintenance and program expansion, including mixed-use amenities at Chimney Park.

IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING

The strategic plan includes a detailed implementation and timeline section, beginning with the first leadership meeting in July 2024. Key steps include:

- **Assignment of Responsibilities:** Specific individuals or teams will be assigned to implement and monitor the goals and tactics.
- **Communication:** Regular communication of key components of the strategic plan to all relevant team members.
- **Ongoing Review:** Daily focus on goals, quarterly reviews and evaluations, and annual external surveys to gather feedback and compare metrics.

MEASURING SUCCESS

Success will be measured through quarterly internal scoring, simplified surveys of stakeholders, and tracking the amount of funding committed to development and the number of projects funded.

ALIGNMENT WITH GOVERNOR DOUG BURGUM'S STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

The strategic plan supports Governor Doug Burgum's strategic initiatives, including the Main Street Initiative, Tribal Engagement, Reinventing Government, Behavioral Health and Addiction, and Transforming Education. These alignments ensure that the plan not only meets the goals of SHSND but also supports broader state initiatives.

This comprehensive strategic plan, with its clear objectives, goals, and tactics, positions the Chateau de Morès State Historic Site for significant growth and development over the next decade. By obtaining legislative support and engaging with stakeholders, focusing on sustainability, and leveraging opportunities for increased tourism and community engagement, SHSND aims to transform the site into a premier, year-round destination that offers immersive historical experiences and serves as a vibrant hub for cultural and educational activities in North Dakota.

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
95	\$1,120,000.00	Fort Totten	Gymnasium Restoration -Phase 2
90	\$26,432.00	Camp Hancock	Museum - Air Conditioning in Upper Level Air Conditioning in Upper Level
90	\$9,912.00	Camp Hancock	Museum - Lawn Irrigation System Lawn Irrigation System
90	\$207,200.00	Double Ditch Indian Village	Site Public Rest Room
90	\$6,608.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Window Sealing
90	\$30,397.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Wood Fence Replacement
90	\$6,608.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion & Carriage House Energy Efficiency Improvements
90	\$10,000.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Small porch roof over NE window with saging and warping.
90	\$10,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Shingles on large shed, near the ridge line need repair
90	\$4,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Flag pole in flag mall area replaced
90	\$52,864.00	Fort Rice	Shelter Foundation Repairs
90	\$13,216.00	Fort Rice	Shelter Roof Replacement
90	\$3,920.00	Fort Totten	Admin Building -water filtration system
90	\$13,216.00	Fort Totten	All Buildings Re-Key
90	\$350,224.00	Fort Totten	Chaplain & Surgeon Quarter's Restore Interior
90	\$10,000.00	Fort Totten	Parking lot Cameras
90	\$7,000.00	Fort Totten	Security Cameras
90	\$25,000.00	Fort Totten	Admin Building -water into building
90	\$7,500.00	Fort Totten	Replace lights in the office and visitors
90	\$4,000.00	Fort Totten	Site Flag Pole
90	\$10,000.00	Fort Totten	Fire Detection/Alarm replacement / upgrade to the Inn
90	\$50,000.00	Fort Totten	Girls Dorm - Repair or replace the windows in the girls dorm
90	\$207,200.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Public Restroom
90	\$13,216.00	Huff Indian Village	Huff - Kiosk Roof Replacement
90	\$105,728.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Drainage Improvements
90	\$99,120.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Re-chink logs
90	\$266,291.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Repair/Replace Gate & Logs
90	\$231,280.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Replace Roof
90	\$16,520.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Upgrade Electrical
90	\$33,040.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Drainage Improvement Design
90	\$19,824.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Site Remove Roadbuilding Waste @ Park
90	\$369,040.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Site River Bank Stabilization
90	\$15,859.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Replace Carpet in Lodge Classroom
90	\$15,859.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitors Center Replace Heat Pump
90	\$19,824.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Improve Roof Ventilation

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
90	\$63,437.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Insulate Roof in Fort Clark Gallery
90	\$26,432.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Interior Repairs
90	\$132,160.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Interpretive Railing System
90	\$62,776.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore/Replace Wallpaper - Phase 1
90	\$55,000.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Need repair of Path to Outbuildings
90	\$10,000.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Shop - Artisian well pump pipe leak
90	\$20,000.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Exterior Doors in Private Quarters need repair
90	\$24,696.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Chimney Park Bridge to the National Park
90	\$16,520.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Caretaker's Cottage/Maintenance Shop Restore Existing Path and Add Gravel
90	\$59,472.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Shade Structure for Patio
90	\$1,680.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Tint store windows & back door
90	\$19,824.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Create Small Campsite/Pad
90	\$89,208.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site EV Charging Station
90	\$244,496.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail Design
90	\$596,623.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail in the River Bottom - Phase 1
90	\$198,240.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Public Rest Room
90	\$59,472.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Repair Path to the Outbuildings
90	\$60,000.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Replace 4 Heat Pumps
90	\$175,437.00	Pembina State Museum	Exterior Cleaning and Painting
90	\$66,080.00	Pembina State Museum	Exterior Signage
90	\$125,000.00	Pembina State Museum	elevator replacement
90	\$55,000.00	Pembina State Museum	Fresh Air/Exhaust Improvement
90	\$35,000.00	RRMMS - November 33 (Launch Facility)	Three-point gravel turnaround for larger vehicles
90	\$8,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Launch Control Replace fluorescent w/LED
90	\$5,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Site Energy Audit - Ventilation
90	\$3,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Ceiling Tile Water Damage
90	\$196,045.00	Storage East	Parking Lot Resurfacing
90	\$10,000.00	Storage East	Labor for moving items in building
90	\$20,000.00	Storage East	Replace Emergency Stairs
90	\$12,000.00	Storage East	Gutters and downspouts
90	\$19,824.00	Welk Homestead	Site Picket fence
90	\$560,000.00	Welk Homestead	Barn New barn, phase 1
90	\$13,216.00	Whitestone Hill	Monument Clean Bugler
90	\$19,824.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Repair/Replace Footbridge
90	\$19,824.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Replace Cemetary Fence

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
90	\$37,005.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Restore WPA Stone Path
90	\$6,608.00	Whitestone Hill	Well House Replace Roof
85	\$62,776.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore/Replace Wallpaper - Phase 2
2025-2027 Request	\$6,580,573.00		
80	\$74,010.00	Camp Hancock	Museum - Penthouse Observation Platform Penthouse Observation Platform
80	\$16,800.00	Camp Hancock	Train Clean and pigeon proof the train
80	\$198,240.00	Double Ditch Indian Village	Site Entry & Parking Lot Improvements
80	\$62,776.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Wall Papr Replacement - Phase 2
80	\$7,930.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Site Lawn Irrigation System
80	\$185,000.00	Fort Clark	Site Public Restroom & Water Shutoff
80	\$45,595.00	Fort Totten	Adjutant's Office Exterior Painting
80	\$199,826.00	Fort Totten	Boys Dorm Restore Shower Room Interior
80	\$50,221.00	Fort Totten	Chaplain & Surgeon's Quarters Exterior Painting
80	\$166,522.00	Fort Totten	Commanding Officer's Qtrs Upper Level Restore Interior
80	\$50,882.00	Fort Totten	Commanding Officer's Quarters Exterior Painting
80	\$80,618.00	Fort Totten	Girl's Dorm Exterior Painting
80	\$369,916.00	Fort Totten	Girl's Dorm Upper Level Restore Interior
80	\$158,592.00	Fort Totten	Hospital, Boy's Dorm, Little Theater Architect
80	\$45,595.00	Fort Totten	Print Shop Exterior Painting
80	\$188,989.00	Fort Totten	Print Shop Upper Level Restore Interior
80	\$193,350.00	Fort Totten	Sewing/Tailor Shop Upper Level Restore Interior
80	\$44,934.00	Fort Totten	Tailor Shop Exterior Painting
80	\$69,384.00	Fort Totten	Visitor Center Exterior Painting
80	\$20,000.00	Fort Totten	Doors on Quartermaster
80	\$19,824.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Exterior Lighting
80	\$50,400.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Fence 12.82 acres of property
80	\$280,000.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Interpretive trail on 12.82 acres of property
80	\$28,000.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Tallgrass prairie restoration on 12.82 acres
80	\$19,824.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Improve Acoustics in Play Space
80	\$13,216.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Refinish Flooring/Cleaning
80	\$34,328.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Re-roof
80	\$112,336.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Carriage House Interpretive Railing System

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
80	\$13,216.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Carriage House Repair/Replace Floor
80	\$19,163.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Paint Roof
80	\$5,947.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Replace Rain Gutter System
80	\$9,912.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Replace Shutters
80	\$42,291.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore Floor and Replace Carpet Runner
80	\$23,789.00	Medora - de Mores Memorial Park	DeMores Park Landscaping
80	\$16,520.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Chimney Park Upgrade Electrical System
80	\$33,600.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Gravel border around boulders in Chimney Park
80	\$31,718.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Landscaping
80	\$3,304.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Shed Add Rain Gutter System
80	\$596,623.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail in the River Bottom - Phase 2
80	\$6,608.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Interpretive Signage
80	\$165,200.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Parking Lot Repairs/Resurface - Interpretive Center
80	\$46,256.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Parking Lot Repairs/Resurface - Chateau Parking Lot
80	\$21,773.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Water Line Trenched to Outbuildings
80	\$45,584.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Stable Interior Restoration
80	\$207,200.00	Menoken Indian Village Site	Menoken - Site Public Restroom
80	\$52,864.00	Molander Indian Village	Molander Indian Village - Site Cattle Guard @ New Entrance
80	\$35,000.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Barracks Replace Interior Beams
80	\$39,200.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Convert boardwalks to landscaped path
80	\$645,866.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Resurface existing path at MYCIC
80	\$165,200.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Site ParkingLot Repairs/Resurface
80	\$387,281.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Add additional walking paths at MYCIC
80	\$105,728.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Site Walking Path Design (MYCIC & Fort Buford)
80	\$18,000.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	MYCIC Conference room renovation
80	\$89,208.00	Pembina State Museum	EV Charging Station
80	\$30,397.00	Pembina State Museum	Landscaping
80	\$79,296.00	Pembina State Museum	Outdoor Event Space & Picnic Shelter
80	\$112,336.00	Pembina State Museum	Playground Equipment
80	\$28,000.00	Pembina State Museum	backup generator
80	\$89,208.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Site EV Charging Station
80	\$145,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Site New Parking Lot
80	\$75,040.00	Welk Homestead	House, summer kitchen, blacksmith shop, granary/buggy house Reshingle (cedar shakes)
80	\$13,216.00	Welk Homestead	Site Dock
80	\$114,318.00	Welk Homestead	Site Exterior Event Space

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
80	\$19,824.00	Welk Homestead	Site Shelter Belt Restoration
80	\$13,216.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Dock
80	\$112,336.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Replace Playground Equipment
80	\$26,432.00	Writing Rock	Picnic Shelter Repair to Roof Trusses & Sheathing
80	\$15,000.00	Writing Rock	Shed Replace
80	\$45,000.00	Writing Rock	Site Water Pump
2027-2029 Request	\$6,532,778.00		
70	\$33,600.00	Camp Hancock	Grounds rebuild Gazebo that was located on site
70	\$37,666.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Carriage House Exterior Painting
70	\$23,789.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Carriage House Interior Painting
70	\$92,512.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Basement Restoration
70	\$19,824.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Floor Refinishing
70	\$62,776.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Wall Paper Replacement - Phase 3
70	\$89,208.00	Fort Abercrombie	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$100,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Corner post replacement of ghosted areas on grounds
70	\$89,208.00	Fort Clark	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$70,045.00	Fort Totten	Boy's Dorm Exterior Painting
70	\$594,720.00	Fort Totten	Boys Dorm Upper Level Restore Interior
70	\$174,451.00	Fort Totten	Chaplain & Surgeon's Qtrs Upper Level Restore Interior
70	\$58,811.00	Fort Totten	Hospital Exterior Painting
70	\$504,851.00	Fort Totten	Hospital Upper Level Restore Interior
70	\$64,758.00	Fort Totten	Little Theater Exterior Painting
70	\$479,741.00	Fort Totten	Little Theater Upper Level Restore Interior
70	\$37,666.00	Fort Totten	Quartermaster's Building Exterior Painting
70	\$31,718.00	Fort Totten	Shop Exterior Painting
70	\$60,794.00	Fort Totten	Totten Trail Inn Exterior Painting
70	\$169,000.00	Fort Totten	Surgeons Quarters - Restore the interior
70	\$79,650.00	Fort Totten	EV Charger
70	\$100,000.00	Fort Totten	VC Climate Control
70	\$60,000.00	Fort Totten	Adjuncts Exterior
70	\$79,650.00	Fort Totten	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$15,859.00	Gingras Trading Post	House Paint Interior

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
70	\$89,208.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$44,800.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Replace Front Entry Doors
70	\$9,912.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Upgrade Electrical Controls
70	\$23,600.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Replace/Upgrade Fire Alarm System
70	\$62,776.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore/Replace Wallpaper - Phase 3
70	\$46,256.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Chimney Park Build a Structure for Interpretation
70	\$11,234.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Garage/Maintenance Shop Replace Overhead Doors
70	\$596,623.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail in the River Bottom - Phase 3
70	\$15,859.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Reconstruct Greenhouses
70	\$23,789.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Repair erosion issue @ Ravine
70	\$19,824.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Restore/Replace Site Bridge
70	\$16,520.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Repair/Replace Fence by Outbuildings
70	\$44,934.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Barracks Exterior Painting
70	\$50,221.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Field Officer's Quarters Exterior Painting
70	\$15,859.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Officer of the Guard Exterior Painting
70	\$10,573.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Retaining Wall Repair
70	\$37,005.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Tuckpointing
70	\$89,208.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$6,000.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	MYCIC Re-seeding natural grasses
70	\$3,000.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	MYCIC Plant Trees
70	\$38,000.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	MYCIC Chain Link Fence around shop
70	\$1,500,000.00	Pembina State Museum	Solar Panels
70	\$43,120.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Site Repair/Replace Exterior Lighting
70	\$12,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Launch Control Replace Carpet
70	\$10,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Oscar - facility LCC Status console lights
70	\$89,208.00	Welk Homestead	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$13,216.00	Welk Homestead	Site Exterior Lighting
2029-2031 Request	\$6,053,042.00		
65	\$62,776.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Wall Papr Replacement - Phase 4
65	\$62,776.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore/Replace Wallpaper - Phase 4
60	\$50,221.00	Camp Hancock	Bread of Life Church-Paint Exterior Paint Exterior
60	\$60,794.00	Camp Hancock	Museum - Paint Exterior Paint Exterior

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
60	\$500,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Redesign/ Repair Stockade
60	\$150,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Interpretive Center Connect to City Sewer
60	\$6,608.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Upgrade Electrical Controls
60	\$45,000.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Maintenance Building Floor Drains and Running Water
60	\$63,437.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Chimney Park Update and Add Picnic Shelters
60	\$596,623.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail in the River Bottom - Phase 4
50	\$5,000,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	New Interpretive Center
40	\$39,200.00	Camp Hancock	Electrical outlets in Bread of Life Church
40	\$168,000.00	Camp Hancock	Heat and AC in Bread of life Church
40	\$59,472.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Carriage House Re-Shingle
40	\$3,000,000.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Museum cafe for roadside service
30	\$50,400.00	Fort Totten	Visitors Center HVAC installed in building
30	\$0.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Heat in Fort Mandan

2031-2033

Request \$9,915,307.00

Overall

Total \$29,081,700.00



Chairman Nathe and Committee Members

For the record I'm Arnie Strebe, Co-Founder and Co-CEO of BisBlox a business consulting company.

I stand before you today not just as a retired military officer, but as a proud member of the North Dakota community, deeply committed to preserving and honoring our rich heritage.

I'm also a member of the North Dakota National Guard Foundation and have served on the foundation board for over 5 years.

The North Dakota National Guard Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting military members and their families. They provide financial assistance through the Emergency Relief Fund (ERF) for sudden and unforeseen emergencies like natural disasters, accidents, illnesses, fires, or theft. They also offer support to National Guard Service Members, Families, Veterans, and Survivor programs.

I'm also a member of the North Dakota Military Museum Executive Board and have been on this board since it started over 2 years ago.

Our state has a long and storied history of military service, a legacy that spans centuries and includes the invaluable contributions of our Native American communities.

Today, I am here to advocate for the funding of a museum project that will be an integral part of the North Dakota Heritage Center. This museum will serve as a testament to the bravery, sacrifice, and dedication of all those who have served in military service, from the earliest days of our state to the present.

This museum will honor the service of our military personnel and educate future generations about the sacrifices made to protect our freedoms. It will highlight the contributions of Native Americans, whose service and sacrifices have often been overlooked in the broader narrative of our nation's military history.

North Dakota is home to approximately 56,000 veterans, a significant number given our total population of around 800,000 people. This means that nearly 7% of our population has served in the military, a testament to the strong tradition of service in our state. This museum will honor veterans from all service branches, ensuring that their stories are preserved and celebrated.

By funding this project, you will ensure that the stories of our veterans, including those from the Native American communities, are preserved and celebrated. You will also

provide a space where families can come to learn, reflect, and be inspired by the courage and dedication of those who have served.

As of now, the NDNG Foundation, in collaboration with the museum's Executive Committee, the Pace Group has successfully raised \$7.581 million.

Recently, two donors made significant contributions, setting a precedent for others to join this effort. As many of you know from your past or current fundraising experiences, securing the initial donation often encourages others to contribute.

North Dakota Military Gallery Capital Campaign Update as of 01.09.25 –

Pledges Received to Date: • 10 Pledges for over \$ 7,581,207.41

Over 200 organizations and individual donors have been identified, and over 65 volunteers have been focused on raising funds for the museum.

In closing, I urge you to consider the profound impact this museum will have on our community and our state. It is not just a building but a beacon of honor, education, and remembrance. Let us come together to ensure that the legacy of our military service members is preserved for generations to come.

Thank you.

TESTIMONY OF
BRIGADIER GENERAL MITCH JOHNSON
NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD
BEFORE THE
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS
EDUCATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION COMMITTEE
14 JANUARY 2025
HOUSE BILL 1018

Good morning, Chairman Nathe and members of the committee. For the record, I am Mitch Johnson, the Adjutant General for the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG). I am here today to testify in support of House Bill 1018, specifically the North Dakota Military Gallery project.

As you may recall, the concept for a military museum began when the 67th Legislative Assembly (2021-2022) granted the North Dakota National Guard Foundation authority to fundraise for a North Dakota Military Museum under House Bill 2016.

In the 68th Legislative session, the project was carried by the Office of the Adjutant General in Senate Bill 2016 but was transferred to the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) budget at the end of session. The project was approved for \$20M dollar line of credit through the Bank of North Dakota with the “intent that the State Historical Society of North Dakota request funding from the 69th Legislative Assembly from the legacy earnings funds to repay the line of credit”, as per Senate Bill 2018. It was also recommended last session that the facility be located on the capitol grounds as an addition to the current North Dakota Heritage Center and State Museum. The initial concept design was approved unanimously in 2023 by the Capitol Grounds Planning Commission, and in August 2024 the commission unanimously approved the architectural design development drawings.

The Office of the Adjutant General remains a committed strategic partner in this project as outlined in the October 2022 Memorandum of Agreement between the Office of the Adjutant General and the State Historical Society of North Dakota. The goal of the project is to build a world class facility with exhibits and experiences that tell the story of our North Dakota military history.

The North Dakota National Guard Foundation remains the fundraising lead on this project and has contracted with PACE Fundraising to manage the capital campaign. Since last session, the Joint Military Museum Advisory Council (JMMAC) was created to provide oversight and collaboration for the project. This board has representation from the Governor’s Office, Office of Management and Budget, Office of the Adjutant General, State Historical Society of North Dakota and their Foundation, North Dakota National Guard Foundation, and several sub-committees including a Tribal Advisory Committee that has representation from all five Tribal Nations.

Creating a military museum in North Dakota has been a goal of the North Dakota National Guard for over 50 years. The State of North Dakota has a rich military history and heritage that needs to be preserved and shared. North Dakota is one of the few states that does not have a state military museum.

The Gallery facility will showcase the military in North Dakota as well as the North Dakotans who have served in all branches of the Armed Forces. It will HONOR our rich military history of those that have served. It will EDUCATE our citizens about North Dakota's role in preserving our national security. We hope it will INSPIRE future generations to serve their state and nation in support our all-volunteer force.

Thank you for your past support of this project and I ask for your continued support of the North Dakota Military Gallery. I will stand by for any questions.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Prairie Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
1/21/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society.

9:59 a.m. Vice Chairman Swiontek called the meeting to order

Members present: Vice Chairman Swiontek, Representatives Martinson, Richter, Sanford and Hanson

Members absent: Chairman Nathe, Representative Louser

Discussion Topics:

- Drone use
- Armstrong/Burgum budget

10:00 a.m. Dr. Bill Peterson, Director & ND SHPO testified in favor of and presented testimony #30500

10:30 a.m. Levi Kinnischzke, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, reviewed #31077 and #34414.

10:40 a.m. Mitch Johnson, Adjutant General for the North Dakota National Guard testified in favor and continued with previous testimony #28923.

10:49 a.m. Vice Chairman Swiontek closed the meeting.

Steven Riehl, Committee Clerk

State Historical Society of North Dakota

Testimony

House Appropriations

House Bill

January 21, 2025

10-11 a.m.

Prairie Room

Dr. Bill Peterson, Director & ND SHPO

One-Page Itemized Listing of Changes to Executive Recommendation


Agency Request							Armstrong Exec Rec					Agency Changes to Exec Rec Increase(Decrease) - Exec Rec				
Priority	Fund	FTE	General	Federal	Special	Total	FTE	General	Federal	Special	Total	FTE	General	Federal	Special	Total
Ongoing Funding Items																
1	Costs to continue operations		1,131,251			1,131,251		1,131,251			1,131,251		0			0
3	Compliance with new NAGPRA regulations	3.00	610,872			610,872	1.00	624,529			624,529	0.00	(12,439)			(12,439)
4	State Archives Storage for Maximum Longevity & Efficiency	2.00	365,072			365,072	0.00	0			0	0.00	170,120			170,120
7	Updating State Historical Society Visitor, Student, and Digital User Info	4.00	809,758			809,758	0.00	0			0	0.00	203,237			203,237
8	New Exhibition Needs for State Museum & State Historic Sites	2.00	435,244			435,244	1.00	239,496			239,496	0.00	0			0
10	Revolutionizing archaeology among increasing workloads	2.00	150,796	220,080		370,876	0.00	150,796	220,080		370,876	1.00	(70,520)	(102,728)		(173,248)
11	Rural Revitalization & Cultural Heritage Grant Programs	1.00	11,685,440			11,685,440	0.00	0			0	0.00	0			0
14	National Resources Cultural Services Grant			172,402		172,402			172,402		172,402			0		0
		14.00	15,188,433	392,482	0	15,580,915	2.00	2,146,072	392,482	0	2,538,554	1.00	290,398	(102,728)	0	187,670
One-Time Funding Items																
2	North Dakota Heritage Center & State Museum Expansion		80,700,000		42,944,524	123,644,524				83,644,524	83,644,524				0	0
3	Compliance with new NAGPRA regulations		106,135			106,135		106,135			106,135		0			0
4	State Archives Storage for Maximum Longevity & Efficiency		211,590			211,590		207,500			207,500		0			0
5	North Dakota 250 Commemoration		7,200,000			7,200,000				2,000,000	2,000,000				0	0
6	Historic Structure Building Improvements		7,203,000			7,203,000				3,000,000	3,000,000				0	0
7	Updating State Historical Society Visitor, Student, and Digital User Info		138,180			138,180		0			0		0			0
8	New Exhibition Needs for State Museum & State Historic Sites		642,090			642,090				642,090	642,090				0	0
9	Medora Area Planning		23,470,000			23,470,000				6,470,000	6,470,000				0	0
10	Revolutionizing archaeology among increasing workloads		4,090			4,090		4,090			4,090		0			0
11	Rural Revitalization & Cultural Heritage Grant Programs		2,045			2,045		0			0					
12	Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant			750,000		750,000			750,000		750,000			0		0
13	Underrepresented Community Grant Federal Fund			75,000		75,000			75,000		75,000			0		0
14	National Resources Cultural Services Grant			2,011		2,011			2,011		2,011			0		0
15	USDA Forest Service Grant			50,000		50,000			50,000		50,000			0		0
		0.00	119,677,130	877,011	42,944,524	163,498,665	0.00	317,725	877,011	95,756,614	96,951,350	0.00	0	0	0	0
Totals		14.00	134,865,563	1,269,493	42,944,524	179,079,580	2.00	2,463,797	1,269,493	95,756,614	99,489,904	1.00	290,398	(102,728)	0	187,670



We are requesting changes to Governor Armstrong's Executive Budget Recommendation for the following:

Ongoing Funding Items

- Priority 3 – We asked for authority for 3 FTE positions for tribal consultation and collections management under the new NAGPRA federal regulations. Armstrong's Executive Budget Recommendation provided the funding for 1 FTE and 2 temporary positions. With temporary positions, the state does not pay the same benefits as it would FTEs. Therefore, we are willing to decrease the recommended general fund amount by \$12,439.
- Priority 4 – We had asked for authority for 2 FTE positions to focus on the backlog of legacy records and another to assist with the management of the increasing volume of incoming records from government agencies. The executive recommendation did not provide any authority or funding for either position. The State Archivist, as mandated by NDCC 55-02.1-03, is the official custodian of North Dakota's government archival resources. To continue fulfilling this mandate, due to an increase in transfers from both state and local governments, the State Archives requesting general fund authority and funding of \$170,120 to hire one temporary position to process, rehouse, and appraise records, increasing storage longevity.
- Priority 7 – We had asked for authority for 4 FTE positions for an assistant editor to help with the increase in the workload demand for digital and print materials produced by our agency; two additional education positions to manage the growing education workloads involving North Dakota's students, teachers, and lifelong learners; and one to provide GIS and AI technical assistance to users and researchers that are required to meet the requirements under Federal and State National Historic Preservation rules. The executive recommendation did not provide any authority or funding for any of these positions. We are requesting general fund authority and funding of \$203,137 to hire one temporary education position to help the increasing workload with National History Day and the ND Studies curriculum.
- Priority 10 – We asked for authority for 2 FTE positions to conducting studies in-house at our managed properties to help set precedents in modernizing fieldwork for cultural resource management consultants to use non-destructive methods and to develop innovative procedures for consistent and timely consultation, provide efficient technical assistance to federal agencies and private applicants amongst increasing workloads. The executive recommendation provided the funding for making these 2 positions as temporary. We are requesting a change to fund 1 FTE position and remove the second position. Therefore, we are willing to decrease the



recommended general fund amount by \$70,520 and federal fund amount by \$102,728.

One-Time Funding Items

- Priority 11 – We are open to discussion. We have been made aware of individual bills that have been introduced in which funding is requested for cultural resource, historic preservation, revitalization and rehabilitation projects historical in nature. By funding a rural revitalization program, our agency could provide larger sums of money to revitalize and rehabilitate these types of projects. In addition, by restoring our cultural heritage grant program, small grants could continue to be given to communities throughout North Dakota for a variety of projects ranging from \$10K-\$30K.

We do not have any changes to Governor's Executive Budget Recommendation for the following:


Ongoing Funding Items

- \$1,131,251 in general funds for priority 1 - Costs to continue operations for costs that go above and beyond our base budget needs. Funding is requested to restore the 3% budget cuts to temporary salaries and to add temporary positions that cover maintenance, data entry, visitor services, and interns across the agency. In addition, funding is needed for increased costs associated with NDIT data processing costs for IT projects completed with State Fiscal Recovery Funds; fire and tornado insurance premiums that are going up by 25%; a new elevator maintenance contract for the elevator that was installed in the 1883 Stutsman County Courthouse; storage needs for digital collections and supplies within the State Archives; and utilities as we are increasing the use and functionality of some of the 80 buildings and historic sites that we manage with the funding we've received for historic site repairs and improvements.
- Priority 11 asked for an additional FTE to monitor the Rural Revitalization & Cultural Heritage Grant programs. As no funding was provided for these grant programs, an additional FTE is not needed.

We do not have any changes to Governor's Executive Budget Recommendation for the following:

One-Time Funding Items

- \$83,644,524, for priority 2 – North Dakota Heritage Center & State Museum Expansion in which \$38,744,524 would come from donations and \$44,200,000 would be paid from a new Legacy Fund bonding package. Private fundraising for this project continues. With a mission to "Honor, Educate, and Inspire", there is a lot of interest in this project. We are certain we will reach our fundraising goals with the state contributing to half of this project.
- \$106,135 in general funds for priority 3 – Compliance with new NAGPRA regulations to hire a tribal consultant.
- \$207,500 in general funds for priority 4 – State Archives Storage for Maximum Longevity & Efficiency to hire a structural engineer to study the load carrying capacity in order to upgrade current storage solutions by enclosing and fireproofing storage carriages; converting microfilm and map case storage for more efficient shelving and use of space; and replacing static shelving with compact shelving, which would provide an additional 7,500 linear feet of capacity. By maximizing space usage now an expansion may be prolonged well beyond the twelve-year estimate.
- \$2,000,000 in SIIF funds for priority 5 – North Dakota 250 Commemoration to plan, fabricate, and purchase an exhibit production service for a State Museum



Governors Gallery exhibition to be installed in the Governors Gallery of the State Museum; and provide public programming and events at the State Museum and state historic sites to compliment the North Dakota 250 exhibition in communities across the state.

- \$3,000,000 in SIIF funds for priority 6 – Historic Structure Building Improvements for the list of our building improvement needs.
- \$642,090 in general funds for priority 8 - New Exhibition Needs for the State Museum & State Historic Sites for updating the Pembina Museum exhibitions by purchasing exhibit objects and installing the new gallery design, along with the creation of a new permanent fossil exhibit in the Pembina Museum's temporary exhibits gallery. Funding would be used to increase awareness of the Pembina State Museum by designing two billboards that would reach traffic coming and going from Canada.
- \$6,470,000 in SIIF funds for priority 9 – Medora Area Planning to begin the planning stages of building an attraction at the Chateau Interpreter Center in the form of a museum focusing on hunting. This funding will also allow the agency to produce an exhibit in the temporary gallery at the Chateau Interpretive Center, along with updates to interpretive panels and the railing and panel-hanging system.
- \$4,090 in general funds for priority 10 - Revolutionizing archaeology among increasing requests for the startup costs associated with new employees.
- \$750,000 in federal funds for priority 12 - Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant to provide pass-thru Federal grant funding to qualifying subrecipients for historic preservation to National Register listed buildings located in rural communities.
- \$75,000 in federal funds for priority 13 - Underrepresented Community Grant Program to hire a consultant that would focus on survey and context development of integrated baseball players and fields in North Dakota and culminate in a National Register Nomination.
- \$2,011 in federal funds for priority 14 - Natural Resources Cultural Services Grant for the startup costs associated with new employees.
- \$50,000 in federal funds for priority 15 - USDA Forest Service to hire a full-time temporary Archaeology Collections Specialist that would support and assist with care, preservation and maintenance of the USDA Forest Service collections housed at the SHSND.

Vigesaa, Donald W.

From: Kinnischtzke, Levi
To: Tuesday, January 21, 2025 7:30 PM
 Bekkedahl, Brad; Vigesaa, Donald W.
Cc: Knudson, Allen H.
Subject: Salary Equity Funding

Senator Bekkedahl and Representative Vigesaa,

This email is provided in response to your questions regarding salary equity funding included in agency budgets under the Burgum and Armstrong executive budget recommendations for the 2025-27 biennium. Governor Armstrong did not change the amounts recommended by Governor Burgum so the amounts recommended in each agency budget are the same in both of the executive budgets. Please see below.

Agency	General Fund	Federal Funds	Special Funds	Total
110 - Office of Management and Budget	\$110,114	\$0	\$0	\$110,114
112 - Information Technology Department	0	0	3,229,838	3,229,838
120 - State Treasurer	100,000	0	0	100,000
125 - Attorney General	254,317	16,775	50,685	321,777
180 - Judicial Branch	4,107,045	0	10,639	4,117,684
188 - Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents	805,000	0	0	805,000
250 - State Library	80,000	0	0	80,000
321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs	100,000	0	0	100,000
325 - Department of Health and Human Services	16,063,274	0	0	16,063,274
- Industrial Commission	0	0	350,000	350,000
- Bank of North Dakota	0	0	1,164,465	1,164,465
474 - Department of Mineral Resources	250,000	0	0	250,000
530 - Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation	6,886,650	0	0	6,886,650
Total	\$28,756,400	\$16,775	\$4,805,627	\$33,578,802

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you.

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State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

	Burgum Budget				Armstrong Budget				Armstrong Budget Compared to Burgum Budget			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	Increase (Decrease)			
									FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)				\$0
Salary increase		700,614	79,677	780,291		572,726	65,130	637,856		(\$127,888)	(\$14,547)	(142,435)
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449		458,503	51,946	510,449				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016		360,978	770,038	1,131,016				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376		558,225	79,151	637,376				0
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080	1.00	190,080		190,080				0
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076	1.00	208,076		208,076				0
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		402,796		402,796		402,796		402,796				0
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088		945,088		945,088				0
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services		150,796	220,080	370,876		150,796	220,080	370,876				0
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402			172,402	172,402				0
Adds funding for the cost to continue IT increases		71,996		71,996		71,996		71,996				0
Adds funding for cost to continue increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and		186,163		186,163		186,163		186,163				0
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000		37,000		37,000				0
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0				0				0
Remove funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)				0
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)				0
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500			27,500	27,500				0
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)				0
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$3,048,023	\$1,182,059	\$4,230,082	2.00	\$2,920,135	\$1,167,512	\$4,087,647	0.00	(\$127,888)	(\$14,547)	(\$142,435)
One-Time Funding Items												
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000			\$50,000	\$50,000				\$0
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$10,225		10,225		\$6,135	4,090	10,225		(\$4,090)	\$4,090	0
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000		100,000		100,000				0
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services		4,090		4,090		4,090		4,090				0
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011			2,011	2,011				0
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs objects		638,000		638,000			638,000	638,000		(638,000)	638,000	0

Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community grant program			75,000	75,000			75,000	75,000				0
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			83,644,524	83,644,524			83,644,524	83,644,524				0
Adds funding for Medora area planning - Chateau de Mores Interpretive Center expansion			13,470,000	13,470,000				0			(13,470,000)	(13,470,000)
Adds funding for Medora area planning - Chimney Park multi-use facility project			10,000,000	10,000,000				0			(10,000,000)	(10,000,000)
Adds funding for Medora area planning - Additional interpretive center			1,000,000	1,000,000				0			(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Adds funding for Medora area planning				0			6,470,000	6,470,000			6,470,000	6,470,000
Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500		207,500		207,500				0
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings		2,000,000	3,000,000	5,000,000			3,000,000	3,000,000		(2,000,000)		(2,000,000)
Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000			750,000	750,000				0
Adds funding for America 250 semiquincentennial activities			7,000,000	7,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000			(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$2,959,815	\$118,991,535	\$121,951,350	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,633,625	\$96,951,350	0.00	(\$2,642,090)	(\$22,357,910)	(\$25,000,000)
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$6,007,838	\$120,173,594	\$126,181,432	2.00	\$3,237,860	\$97,801,137	\$101,038,997	0.00	(\$2,769,978)	(\$22,372,457)	(\$25,142,435)
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$26,608,187	\$122,607,858	\$149,216,045	85.50	\$23,838,209	\$100,235,401	\$124,073,610	0.00	(\$2,769,978)	(\$22,372,457)	(\$25,142,435)
Federal funds included in other funds			\$3,765,675				\$3,755,740				(\$9,935)	
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	2.4%	14.8%	48.6%	18.4%	2.4%	14.2%	48.0%	17.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	2.4%	29.2%	4936.8%	547.8%	2.4%	15.7%	4017.7%	438.6%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Prairie Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
1/29/2025

A Bill for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society.

2:16 p.m. Chairman Nathe opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Nathe, Vice Chairman Swiontek, Representatives Louser, Martinson, Richter, Sanford and Hanson

Discussion Topics:

- Pembina State Museum
- Military Gallery

2:16 p.m. Representative Hanson reviewed the long sheet #32662.

2:44 p.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General, ND National Guard, answered questions for the committee.

Additional written testimony:

Brady Larson, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, submitted neutral testimony #32662.

3:01 p.m. Vice Chairman Swiontek adjourned the meeting.

Steven Riehl, Committee Clerk

January 29, 2025

Legislative Council

State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

	Armstrong Budget				House Version				House Compared to Armstrong Budget			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	Increase (Decrease)			
									FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)				\$0		\$87,917	\$218,735	\$306,652
Salary increase		572,726	65,130	637,856				0		(572,726)	(65,130)	(637,856)
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449				0		(458,503)	(51,946)	(510,449)
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016		\$360,978	\$770,038	1,131,016				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376		558,225	79,151	637,376				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool				0				0				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool				0				0				0
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076				0	(1.00)	(190,080)		(190,080)
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		402,796		402,796				0	(1.00)	(208,076)		(208,076)
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088				0		(402,796)		(402,796)
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services		150,796	220,080	370,876				0		(945,088)		(945,088)
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402				0		(150,796)	(220,080)	(370,876)
Adds funding for the cost to continue IT increases		71,996		71,996				0			(172,402)	(172,402)
Adds funding for cost to continue increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and		186,163		186,163				0		(71,996)		(71,996)
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000				0		(186,163)		(186,163)
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0				0		(37,000)		(37,000)
Remove funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)				0				0
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)				0				0
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500				0		592,375		592,375
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)				0		42,000		42,000
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$2,920,135	\$1,167,512	\$4,087,647	0.00	\$694,345	\$823,638	\$1,517,983	(2.00)	(\$2,225,790)	(\$343,874)	(\$2,569,664)
One-Time Funding Items												
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000				\$0			(\$50,000)	(\$50,000)
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$6,135	4,090	10,225				0		(\$6,135)	(4,090)	(10,225)
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000				0		(100,000)		(100,000)
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services		4,090		4,090				0		(4,090)		(4,090)
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011				0			(2,011)	(2,011)

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Prairie Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
2/3/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society.

2:45 p.m. Chairman Nathe opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Nathe, Vice Chairman Swiontek, Representatives Hanson, Louser, Martinson, Richter, Sanford.

Discussion Topics:

- Full time / part time funding
- Digital services
- Archeology Department

2:46 p.m. Representative Hanson reviewed updated long sheet, testimony #33974.

Additional Testimony:

Levi Kinnischtzke, Legislative Council, submitted neutral testimony #33974.

3:10 p.m. Chairman Nathe adjourned the meeting.

Janae Pinks, Committee Clerk for Steven Riehl, Committee Clerk



State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

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									FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
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2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												\$0
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)				0
Salary increase		572,726	65,130	637,856		572,726	65,130	637,856				0
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449		458,503	51,946	510,449				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016		360,978	770,038	1,131,016				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376		558,225	79,151	637,376				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool				0		(38,888)		(38,888)		(\$38,888)		(38,888)
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool				0		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)		(224,858)	(\$25,551)	(250,409)
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080	1.00	190,080		190,080				0
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076	1.00	208,076		208,076				0
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		402,796		402,796		390,356		390,356		(12,440)		(12,440)
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088		945,088		945,088				0
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services		150,796	220,080	370,876		150,796	220,080	370,876				0
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402			172,402	172,402				0
Adds funding for the cost to continue IT increases		71,996		71,996		71,996		71,996				0
Adds funding for cost to continue increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and		186,163		186,163		186,163		186,163				0
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000		37,000		37,000				0
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0				0				0
Remove funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)				0
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)				0
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500			27,500	27,500				0
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)				0
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$2,920,135	\$1,167,512	\$4,087,647	2.00	\$2,643,949	\$1,141,961	\$3,785,910	0.00	(\$276,186)	(\$25,551)	(\$301,737)
One-Time Funding Items												\$0
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000			\$50,000	\$50,000				0
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$6,135	4,090	10,225		\$6,135	4,090	10,225				0
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000		100,000		100,000				0
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services		4,090		4,090		4,090		4,090				0
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011			2,011	2,011				0
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs objects			638,000	638,000			638,000	638,000				0

Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community grant program			75,000	75,000			75,000	75,000				0
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			78,744,524	78,744,524			78,744,524	78,744,524				0
Adds funding for the repayment of the 2023-25 Bank of North Dakota line of credit			4,200,000	4,200,000			4,200,000	4,200,000				0
Adds funding to update the inspiration gallery			700,000	700,000			700,000	700,000				0
Adds funding for Medora area planning			6,470,000	6,470,000			6,470,000	6,470,000				0
Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500		207,500		207,500				0
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings			3,000,000	3,000,000			3,000,000	3,000,000				0
Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000			750,000	750,000				0
Adds funding for a historic theater restoration grant				0		1,100,000		1,100,000		\$1,100,000		1,100,000
Adds funding for a historic opera house restoration grant				0		500,000		500,000		500,000		500,000
Adds funding for a historic museum repairs grant				0		200,000		200,000		200,000		200,000
Adds funding for a historic movie theater improvement grant				0		250,000		250,000		250,000		250,000
Adds funding for a Medora transportation improvement grant				0		1,000,000		1,000,000		1,000,000		1,000,000
Adds funding for America 250 semiquincentennial activities			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000				0
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,633,625	\$96,951,350	0.00	\$3,367,725	\$96,633,625	\$100,001,350	0.00	\$3,050,000	\$0	\$3,050,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$3,237,860	\$97,801,137	\$101,038,997	2.00	\$6,011,674	\$97,775,586	\$103,787,260	0.00	\$2,773,814	(\$25,551)	\$2,748,263
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$23,838,209	\$100,235,401	\$124,073,610	85.50	\$26,612,023	\$100,209,850	\$126,821,873	0.00	\$2,773,814	(\$25,551)	\$2,748,263
Federal funds included in other funds			\$3,755,740					\$3,738,600		(\$17,140)		

Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level

2.4%	14.2%	48.0%	17.7%	2.4%	12.8%	46.9%	16.4%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2.4%	15.7%	4017.7%	438.6%	2.4%	29.2%	4016.6%	450.6%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

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New and vacant FTE pool line item		Section 5 provides the State Historical Society cannot spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE funding pool line item but may request the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funds to the salaries and wages line item.
SIIF		Section 6 identifies funding appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Prairie Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
2/19/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society.

8:52 Chairman Nathe Called the meeting to order

Members present: Chairman Nathe, Vice Chairman Swiontek, Representatives Louser, Martinson, Richter, Sanford and Hanson

Discussion Topics:

- Opera House
- Fargo Theater
- Military Gallery
- Williston Armory
- Carry over authority

8:52 a.m. Representative Hanson overview of potential projects and submitted testimony #38030.

8:55 a.m. Chairman Nathe recessed the meeting.

8:58 a.m. Chairman Nathe reconvened the meeting.

8:59 a.m. Representative Hanson continued and presented testimony #38031.

9:12 a.m. Chairman Nathe closed the meeting.

9:13 a.m. Representative Nathe called meeting back into order.

9:14 Representative Martinson suggested to move \$550,000 out of Medora planning fund to add to smaller projects.

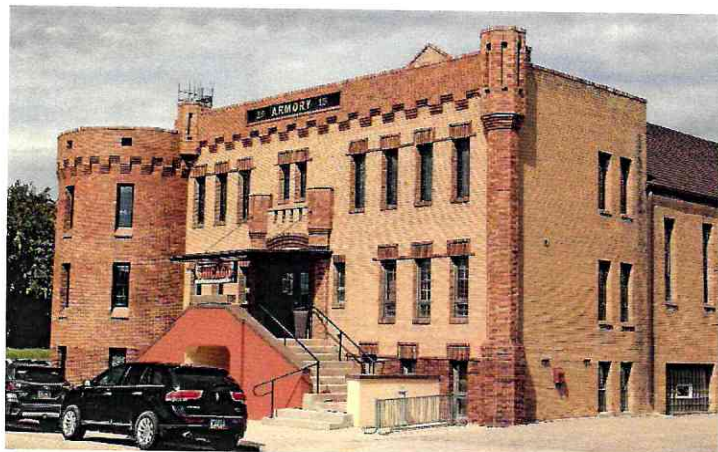
9:18 a.m. Representative Nathe closes the meeting.

Risa Berube, Committee Clerk

Ellendale: Historic Opera House

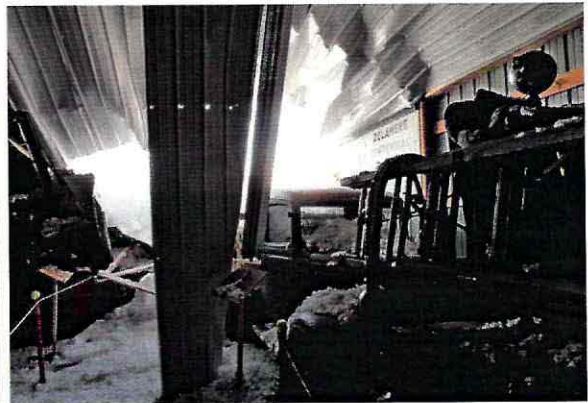


The Williston Old Armory



Medora Foundation: Trollies







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2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												\$0
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)				0
Salary increase		572,726	65,130	637,856		572,726	65,130	637,856				0
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449		458,503	51,946	510,449				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016		360,978	770,038	1,131,016				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376		558,225	79,151	637,376				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool				0		(38,888)		(38,888)		(\$38,888)		(38,888)
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool				0		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)		(224,858)	(\$25,551)	(250,409)
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080	1.00	190,080		190,080				0
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076	1.00	208,076		208,076				0
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services		150,796	220,080	370,876				0		(150,796)	(220,080)	(370,876)
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088		945,088		945,088				0
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		402,796		402,796		390,356		390,356		(12,440)		(12,440)
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402			172,402	172,402				0
Adds funding for the cost to continue IT increases		71,996		71,996		71,996		71,996				0
Adds funding for cost to continue increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and		186,163		186,163		186,163		186,163				0
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000		37,000		37,000				0
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0				0				0
Removes funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)				0
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)				0
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500			27,500	27,500				0
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)				0
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$2,920,135	\$1,167,512	\$4,087,647	2.00	\$2,493,153	\$921,881	\$3,415,034	0.00	(\$426,982)	(\$245,631)	(\$672,613)
One-Time Funding Items												\$0
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000			\$50,000	\$50,000				0
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$6,135	4,090	10,225		\$10,225		10,225		\$4,090	(\$4,090)	0
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services		4,090		4,090				0		(4,090)		(4,090)
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000		100,000		100,000				0
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011			2,011	2,011				0
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects			638,000	638,000			638,000	638,000				0

Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community program			75,000	75,000			75,000	75,000				0
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			78,744,524	78,744,524			78,744,524	78,744,524				0
Adds funding for the repayment of the 2023-25 Bank of North Dakota line of credit			4,200,000	4,200,000			4,200,000	4,200,000				0
Adds funding to update the inspiration gallery			700,000	700,000			700,000	700,000				0
Adds funding for Medora area planning			6,470,000	6,470,000			4,120,000	4,120,000			(2,350,000)	(2,350,000)
Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500		207,500		207,500				0
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings			3,000,000	3,000,000			3,000,000	3,000,000				0
Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000			750,000	750,000				0
Adds funding for a historic theater restoration grant				0			1,100,000	1,100,000			1,100,000	1,100,000
Adds funding for a historic opera house restoration grant				0		250,000		250,000		250,000		250,000
Adds funding for a historic museum repairs grant				0		200,000		200,000		200,000		200,000
Adds funding for a historic movie theater improvement grant				0			250,000	250,000			250,000	250,000
Adds funding for a Medora transportation improvement grant				0			1,000,000	1,000,000			1,000,000	1,000,000
Adds one-time funding for a historic armory restoration grant				0		100,000		100,000		100,000		100,000
Adds funding for America 250th celebration activities			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000				0
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,633,625	\$96,951,350	0.00	\$867,725	\$96,629,535	\$97,497,260	0.00	\$550,000	(\$4,090)	\$545,910
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$3,237,860	\$97,801,137	\$101,038,997	2.00	\$3,360,878	\$97,551,416	\$100,912,294	0.00	\$123,018	(\$249,721)	(\$126,703)
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$23,838,209	\$100,235,401	\$124,073,610	85.50	\$23,961,227	\$99,985,680	\$123,946,907	0.00	\$123,018	(\$249,721)	(\$126,703)
Federal funds included in other funds			\$3,755,740					\$3,518,520		(\$237,220)		
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	2.4%	14.2%	48.0%	17.7%	2.4%	12.1%	37.9%	14.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	2.4%	15.7%	4017.7%	438.6%	2.4%	16.3%	4007.4%	438.1%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Appropriation - Revolving fund		Section 4 appropriates all fees collected and deposited in the revolving fund to the State Historical Society.
Appropriation - Gifts, grants, and bequests		Section 5 appropriates all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society to the State Historical Society.

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	Armstrong Budget	House Version	
SIIF - Matching funds		Section 6 identifies \$32,458,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$20,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$4,120,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$1,100,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant, and \$2,000,000 is for America 250 semiquincentennial activities. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$2 provided from the state.	
Bank of North Dakota line of credit - Military gallery expansion project		Section 7 identifies \$20,000,000 appropriated in Section 1 from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.	
Other funds - Military gallery expansion project and Inspiration gallery update		Section 8 identifies \$43,294,524 appropriated in Section 1 is from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, and \$350,000 is to update the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center.	
Exemption - SIIF		Section 9 allows the State Historical Society to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,250,000 appropriated from SIIF for critical repairs to historic site structures and the \$300,000 appropriated from SIIF for creating new and repairing existing exhibits during the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Prairie Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
2/20/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society.

8:32 a.m. Chairman Nathe called the meeting to order.

Members present: Chairman Nathe, Vice Chairman Swiontek, Representatives Louser, Martinson, Richter, and Hanson

Members Absent: Representative Sanford

Discussion Topics:

- Committee Action

8:32 a.m. Representative Hanson introduces amendment LC 25.0162.01003 (38166).

8:35 a.m. Representative Hanson moved to adopt amendment # 25.0162.01003.

8:35 a.m. Representative Swiontek seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Scott Louser	Y
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	A

Motion carried 6-0-1

8:36 a.m. Representative Hanson moved for a Do Pass as amended.

8:36 a.m. Representative Richter seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Scott Louser	Y
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative David Richter	Y

Representative Mark Sanford	A
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Motion Carried 6-0-1

Representative Hanson will carry the bill.

8:37 a.m. Chairman Nathe Closed the meeting.

Risa Berube, Committee Clerk

25.0162.01003
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Prepared by the Legislative Council
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February 19, 2025

Sixty-ninth
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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical
2 society: to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; and to provide an exemption.

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15	Grants	928,340	0	928,340
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20 deposited with the state treasurer pursuant to section 55-01-04 are appropriated to the state
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25 includes the sum of \$32,458,000 from the strategic investment improvements fund, of which
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1 \$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory
2 restoration grant, and \$2,000,000 is for America's 250th celebration activities. The state
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4 program only to the extent the organization has secured one dollar of matching funds from
5 nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state historical society.

6 **SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA LINE OF CREDIT - MILITARY**
7 **GALLERY EXPANSION PROJECT.** The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes
8 the sum of \$20,000,000, which the state historical society may borrow through a line of credit
9 from the Bank of North Dakota during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending
10 June 30, 2027. The interest rate on the line of credit may not exceed the prevailing interest rate
11 charged to North Dakota governmental entities. If the state historical society accesses the line
12 of credit, the state historical society shall request a deficiency appropriation from the seventieth
13 legislative assembly to repay the line of credit.

14 **SECTION 8. OTHER FUNDS - DONATIONS.** The other funds line item in section 1 of this
15 Act includes the sum of \$43,294,524 from other funds derived from donations, of which
16 \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a
17 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project,
18 and \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center.

19 **SECTION 9. EXEMPTION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.**
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21 in section 1 of chapter 50 of the 2023 Session Laws, of which \$3,250,000 was for critical repairs
22 to historic site structures and \$300,000 was for creating new and repairing existing exhibits, is
23 not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and is available to the state historical society for each project
24 or program during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1018 - State Historical Society - House Action**

	Base Budget	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$16,832,853	\$3,313,454	\$20,146,307
New and vacant FTE pool		934,276	934,276
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Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$100,362,294	\$123,396,907
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Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of House Changes

	Adjusts Funding for Base Payroll Changes ¹	Adds Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ²	Adds Funding for FTE Positions ³	Adds Funding to Replace 2023-25 New and Vacant FTE Pool ⁴	Transfers Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ⁵	Adds Funding for Temporary Staff Salaries and Operating ⁶
Salaries and wages	(\$306,652)	\$1,148,305	\$388,876	\$1,768,392	(\$1,223,573)	\$1,491,646
New and vacant FTE pool					934,276	
Operating expenses			9,280			16,200
Capital assets						
Grants						
Cultural heritage grants						
America's 250th celebration						
Total all funds	(\$306,652)	\$1,148,305	\$398,156	\$1,768,392	(\$289,297)	\$1,507,846
Less estimated income	(218,735)	117,076	0	849,189	(25,551)	172,402
General fund	(\$87,917)	\$1,031,229	\$398,156	\$919,203	(\$263,746)	\$1,335,444
FTE	0.00	0.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Adjusts Base Level Funding ⁷	Removes Funding for Cultural Heritage Grants ⁸	Adds One-Time Funding for Temporary Salaries and Operating ⁹	Adds One-Time Funding for Pembina State Museum ¹⁰	Adds One-Time Funding for the Military Gallery Expansion Project ¹¹	Adds One-Time Funding for Medora Area Planning ¹²
Salaries and wages			\$46,460			
New and vacant FTE pool						
Operating expenses	\$280,159		190,776	\$638,000	\$4,900,000	\$450,000
Capital assets	(634,375)				78,744,524	3,120,000
Grants	42,500					
Cultural heritage grants		(\$500,000)				
America's 250th celebration						
Total all funds	(\$311,716)	(\$500,000)	\$237,236	\$638,000	\$83,644,524	\$3,570,000
Less estimated income	27,500	0	127,011	638,000	83,644,524	3,570,000
General fund	(\$339,216)	(\$500,000)	\$110,225	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Adds One-Time Funding for Storage Upgrades and Structure Improvement ¹³	Adds One-Time Funding for Grants ¹⁴	Adds One-Time Funding for America's 250 th Celebration Activities ¹⁵	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages				\$3,313,454
New and vacant FTE pool				934,276
Operating expenses				6,484,415
Capital assets	\$3,207,500			84,437,649
Grants		\$3,650,000		3,692,500
Cultural heritage grants				(500,000)
America's 250th celebration			\$2,000,000	2,000,000
Total all funds	\$3,207,500	\$3,650,000	\$2,000,000	\$100,362,294
Less estimated income	3,000,000	3,650,000	2,000,000	97,551,416
General fund	\$207,500	\$0	\$0	\$2,810,878
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00

¹ Funding is adjusted for base payroll changes.

² The following funding is added for 2025-27 biennium salary adjustments of 3 percent on July 1, 2025, and 3 percent on July 1, 2026, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,643 to \$1,893 per month:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salary increase	\$572,726	\$65,130	\$637,856
Health insurance increase	458,503	51,946	510,449
Total	\$1,031,229	\$117,076	\$1,148,305

³ Funding for FTE positions is added as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>
Exhibition preparator	\$190,080
Tribal liaison	208,076
Total	\$398,156

⁴ Funding is added to replace 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE pool funding as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
New FTE positions	\$360,978	\$770,038	\$1,131,016
Vacant FTE positions	558,225	79,151	637,376
Total	\$919,203	\$849,189	\$1,768,392

⁵ Funding of \$1,223,573 for new FTE positions and estimated savings from vacant FTE positions is removed and funding of \$934,276 is added for a 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
New FTE positions	(\$388,876)	\$0	(\$388,876)
Vacant FTE positions	(749,528)	(85,169)	(834,697)
Total	(\$1,138,404)	(\$85,169)	(\$1,223,573)
Funding pool line item	874,658	59,618	934,276
Net savings	(\$263,746)	(\$25,551)	(\$289,297)

⁶ Funding for temporary staff salaries and operating expenses is added as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for temporary salaries	\$945,088	\$0	\$945,088
Adds funding for compliance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, including temporary salaries of \$376,436 and operating expenses of \$13,920	390,356	0	390,356
Adds funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position, of which \$170,122 is for temporary salaries and \$2,280 is for operating expenses	0	172,402	172,402
Total	\$1,335,444	\$172,402	\$1,507,846

⁷ Base level funding is adjusted as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for information technology (IT) increases	\$71,996	\$0	\$71,996
Adds funding for operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and utilities	186,163	0	186,163
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses	37,000	0	37,000
Transfers \$15,000 of federal funds from the operating expense line item to the grants line item for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants	0	0	0
Removes funding for bonds	(592,375)	0	(592,375)
Reduces funding for capital assets	(42,000)	0	(42,000)
Adds funding for NHPRC grants	0	27,500	27,500
Total	(\$339,216)	\$27,500	(\$311,716)

⁸ Funding of \$500,000 from the general fund is removed for cultural heritage grants, eliminating the program.

⁹ One-time funding is added as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Temporary archaeology collections specialist position, including \$46,460 for salaries and \$3,540 for operating expenses	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
New FTE position operating expenses	10,225	2,011	12,236
Operating expenses for Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act compliance	100,000	0	100,000
Underrepresented community program	0	75,000	75,000
Total	\$110,225	\$127,011	\$237,236

¹⁰ One-time funding of \$638,000 is added from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) for the Pembina State Museum for the purchase of exhibit objects and the installation of a new gallery design in the permanent gallery of the museum (\$600,000), replacement of carpeting (\$13,000), a photo gallery exhibit (\$20,000), and advertising expenses (\$5,000).

¹¹ One-time funding of \$83,644,524 from other funds is added as follows:

	SIIF	Bank of North Dakota Line of Credit	Donations	Total
Military gallery expansion project	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$38,744,524	\$78,744,524
Repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project	0	0	4,200,000	4,200,000
Inspiration gallery updates at the North Dakota Heritage Center after completion of the military gallery expansion project	<u>350,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>350,000</u>	<u>700,000</u>
Total	\$20,350,000	\$20,000,000	\$43,294,524	\$83,644,524

¹² One-time funding of \$3.57 million added from SIIF for Medora area planning.

¹³ One-time funding is added for archive storage upgrades at the Heritage Center (\$207,500 from the general fund) and improvements to historical structures and buildings (\$3 million from SIIF).

¹⁴ One-time funding for grants is added as follows:

	Federal Funds	SIIF	Total
Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000
Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000
Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
Historic movie theater improvement grant	0	250,000	250,000
Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
Historic armory restoration grant	<u>0</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
Total	\$750,000	\$2,900,000	\$3,650,000

¹⁵ One-time funding of \$2,000,000 is added from SIIF for America's 250th celebration activities, including \$1,825,000 for the governor's gallery exhibit, \$50,000 for temporary salaries, \$75,000 for professional programming, and \$50,000 for repairs.

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This amendment also adds sections to:

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- Identify \$32,458,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$20 million is for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$3.57 million is for Medora area planning, \$3 million is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$1.1 million is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1 million is for a Medora transportation improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$2 million is for America's 250th celebration activities. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$2 provided from the state.
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- Provide an exemption for funding appropriated from SIIF for critical repairs to historic site structures (\$3.25 million) and for creating new and repairing existing exhibits (\$300,000) during the 2023-25 biennium to continue into the 2025-27 biennium.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Roughrider Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
2/21/2025

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11:41 a.m. Chairman Vigesaa opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Vigesaa, Vice Chairman Kempenich, Representatives Anderson, Berg, Bosch, Brandenburg, Fisher, Hanson, Louser, Martinson, Meier, Mitskog, Monson, Murphy, Nathe, Nelson, O'Brien, Pyle, Richter, Sanford, Stemen, Swiontek, Wagner

Discussion Topics:

- Committee Action

11:43 a.m. Representative Hanson introduced amendment LC #25.0162.01003, testimony #38324, and additional testimony #38325.

12:04 p.m. Representative Hanson moved to adopt amendment LC #25.0162.01003.

12:04 p.m. Representative Nathe seconded the motion.

12:06 p.m. Roll Call Vote

Roll Call Vote Representatives	Vote
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
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Representative Bert Anderson	Y
Representative Mike Berg	Y
Representative Glen Bosch	Y
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Y
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Representative Gregory Stemen	Y
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Representative Scott Wagner	Y

12:06 p.m. Motion passed 23-0-0.

12:06 p.m. Representative Hanson motioned for Do Pass as Amended.

12:06 p.m. Representative Nathe seconded the motion.

12:07 p.m. Roll Call Vote

Representatives	Vote
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12:07 p.m. Motion passed 23-0-0.

12:07 p.m. Representative Hanson will carry.

12:07 p.m. Chairman Vigesaa closed the meeting.

Krystal Eberle for Risa Berube, Committee Clerk

February 19, 2025

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

2-21-25
1086

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State archive storage updates	207,500	0	207,500
Historical structures and buildings improvements	0	3,000,000	3,000,000
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Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000

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Salaries and wages			\$46,460			
New and vacant FTE pool						
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Capital assets	(634,375)				78,744,524	3,120,000
Grants	42,500					
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	Adds One-Time Funding for Storage Upgrades and Structure Improvement ¹³	Adds One-Time Funding for Grants ¹⁴	Adds One-Time Funding for America's 250 th Celebration Activities ¹⁵	Total House Changes
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New and vacant FTE pool				934,276
Operating expenses				6,484,415
Capital assets	\$3,207,500			84,437,649
Grants		\$3,650,000		3,692,500
Cultural heritage grants				(500,000)
America's 250th celebration			\$2,000,000	2,000,000
Total all funds	\$3,207,500	\$3,650,000	\$2,000,000	\$100,362,294
Less estimated income	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>3,650,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>97,551,416</u>
General fund	\$207,500	\$0	\$0	\$2,810,878
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¹ Funding is adjusted for base payroll changes.

² The following funding is added for 2025-27 biennium salary adjustments of 3 percent on July 1, 2025, and 3 percent on July 1, 2026, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,643 to \$1,893 per month:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Salary increase	\$572,726	\$65,130	\$637,856
Health insurance increase	<u>458,503</u>	<u>51,946</u>	<u>510,449</u>
Total	\$1,031,229	\$117,076	\$1,148,305

³ Funding for FTE positions is added as follows:

	General Fund
Exhibition preparator	\$190,080
Tribal liaison	<u>208,076</u>
Total	\$398,156

⁴ Funding is added to replace 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE pool funding as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
New FTE positions	\$360,978	\$770,038	\$1,131,016
Vacant FTE positions	<u>558,225</u>	<u>79,151</u>	<u>637,376</u>
Total	\$919,203	\$849,189	\$1,768,392

⁵ Funding of \$1,223,573 for new FTE positions and estimated savings from vacant FTE positions is removed and funding of \$934,276 is added for a 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
New FTE positions	(\$388,876)	\$0	(\$388,876)
Vacant FTE positions	<u>(749,528)</u>	<u>(85,169)</u>	<u>(834,697)</u>
Total	(\$1,138,404)	(\$85,169)	(\$1,223,573)
Funding pool line item	874,658	59,618	934,276
Net savings	(\$263,746)	(\$25,551)	(\$289,297)

⁶ Funding for temporary staff salaries and operating expenses is added as follows:

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	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for temporary salaries	\$945,088	\$0	\$945,088
Adds funding for compliance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, including temporary salaries of \$376,436 and operating expenses of \$13,920	390,356	0	390,356
Adds funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position, of which \$170,122 is for temporary salaries and \$2,280 is for operating expenses	0	172,402	172,402
Total	\$1,335,444	\$172,402	\$1,507,846

⁷ Base level funding is adjusted as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for information technology (IT) increases	\$71,996	\$0	\$71,996
Adds funding for operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and utilities	186,163	0	186,163
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses	37,000	0	37,000
Transfers \$15,000 of federal funds from the operating expense line item to the grants line item for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants	0	0	0
Removes funding for bonds	(592,375)	0	(592,375)
Reduces funding for capital assets	(42,000)	0	(42,000)
Adds funding for NHPRC grants	0	27,500	27,500
Total	(\$339,216)	\$27,500	(\$311,716)

⁸ Funding of \$500,000 from the general fund is removed for cultural heritage grants, eliminating the program.

⁹ One-time funding is added as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Temporary archaeology collections specialist position, including \$46,460 for salaries and \$3,540 for operating expenses	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
New FTE position operating expenses	10,225	2,011	12,236
Operating expenses for Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act compliance	100,000	0	100,000
Underrepresented community program	0	75,000	75,000
Total	\$110,225	\$127,011	\$237,236

¹⁰ One-time funding of \$638,000 is added from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) for the Pembina State Museum for the purchase of exhibit objects and the installation of a new gallery design in the permanent gallery of the museum (\$600,000), replacement of carpeting (\$13,000), a photo gallery exhibit (\$20,000), and advertising expenses (\$5,000).

¹¹ One-time funding of \$83,644,524 from other funds is added as follows:

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	SIIF	Bank of North Dakota Line of Credit	Donations	Total
Military gallery expansion project	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$38,744,524	\$78,744,524
Repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project	0	0	4,200,000	4,200,000
Inspiration gallery updates at the North Dakota Heritage Center after completion of the military gallery expansion project	350,000	0	350,000	700,000
Total	\$20,350,000	\$20,000,000	\$43,294,524	\$83,644,524

¹² One-time funding of \$3.57 million added from SIIF for Medora area planning.

¹³ One-time funding is added for archive storage upgrades at the Heritage Center (\$207,500 from the general fund) and improvements to historical structures and buildings (\$3 million from SIIF).

¹⁴ One-time funding for grants is added as follows:

	Federal Funds	SIIF	Total
Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000
Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000
Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
Historic movie theater improvement grant	0	250,000	250,000
Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
Historic armory restoration grant	0	100,000	100,000
Total	\$750,000	\$2,900,000	\$3,650,000

¹⁵ One-time funding of \$2,000,000 is added from SIIF for America's 250th celebration activities, including \$1,825,000 for the governor's gallery exhibit, \$50,000 for temporary salaries, \$75,000 for professional programming, and \$50,000 for repairs.

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This amendment also adds sections to:

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- Identify \$32,458,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$20 million is for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$3.57 million is for Medora area planning, \$3 million is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$1.1 million is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1 million is for a Medora transportation improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$2 million is for America's 250th celebration activities. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$2 provided from the state.
- Identify \$20 million appropriated in Section 1 from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.
- Identify \$43,294,524 appropriated in Section 1 is from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4.2 million is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, and \$350,000 is to update the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center.
- Provide an exemption for funding appropriated from SIIF for critical repairs to historic site structures (\$3.25 million) and for creating new and repairing existing exhibits (\$300,000) during the 2023-25 biennium to continue into the 2025-27 biennium.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1018**

Appropriations Committee (Rep. Vigesaa, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.0162.01003](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (23 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1018 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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Education and Environment Division
Committee

February 19, 2025

Sixty-ninth
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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical
2 society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; and to provide an exemption.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
5 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
6 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
7 federal funds, to the state historical society for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
8 state historical society, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as
9 follows:

10			Adjustments or	
11		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
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13	Operating expenses	3,443,236	0	3,443,236
14	Capital assets	1,330,184	0	1,330,184
15	Grants	928,340	0	928,340
16	Cultural heritage grants	500,000	0	500,000
17	Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$0	\$23,034,613
18	Less other funds	2,434,264	0	2,434,264

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1	<u>Total general fund</u>	<u>\$20,600,349</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$20,600,349</u>
2	<u>Full-time equivalent positions</u>	<u>83.50</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>83.50</u>
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8	<u>Cultural heritage grants</u>	<u>500,000</u>	<u>(500,000)</u>	<u>0</u>
9	<u>America's 250th celebration</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
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SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO

SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act which are not included in the entity's base budget for the 2027-29 biennium and which the entity shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly regarding the use of this funding:

19	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
20	Temporary staff salaries and operating	\$10,225	\$52,011	\$62,236
21	Repatriation compliance costs	100,000	0	100,000
22	Pembina state museum exhibits	0	638,000	638,000
23	Underrepresented community program	0	75,000	75,000
24	Military gallery expansion project	0	82,944,524	82,944,524
25	Inspiration gallery updates	0	700,000	700,000
26	Medora area planning	0	3,570,000	3,570,000
27	State archive storage updates	207,500	0	207,500
28	Historical structures and buildings	0	3,000,000	3,000,000
29	improvements			
30	Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	0	750,000	750,000
31	Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000

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1	Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
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4	Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
5	Historic armory restoration grant	0	100,000	100,000
6	America's 250 th celebration	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
7	Total	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260

8 **SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST.** The
9 state historical society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line
10 item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer
11 funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the salaries and wages line item in
12 accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as
13 approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

14 **SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REVOLVING FUND.** All fees collected by the state
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6 **SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA LINE OF CREDIT - MILITARY**
7 **GALLERY EXPANSION PROJECT.** The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes
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Less estimated income	27,500	0	127,011	638,000	83,644,524	3,570,000
General fund	(\$339,216)	(\$500,000)	\$110,225	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Adds One-Time Funding for Storage Upgrades and Structure Improvement ¹³	Adds One-Time Funding for Grants ¹⁴	Adds One-Time Funding for America's 250 th Celebration Activities ¹⁵	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages				\$3,313,454
New and vacant FTE pool				934,276
Operating expenses				6,484,415
Capital assets	\$3,207,500			84,437,649
Grants		\$3,650,000		3,692,500
Cultural heritage grants				(500,000)
America's 250th celebration			\$2,000,000	2,000,000
Total all funds	\$3,207,500	\$3,650,000	\$2,000,000	\$100,362,294
Less estimated income	3,000,000	3,650,000	2,000,000	97,551,416
General fund	\$207,500	\$0	\$0	\$2,810,878
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.00

¹ Funding is adjusted for base payroll changes.

² The following funding is added for 2025-27 biennium salary adjustments of 3 percent on July 1, 2025, and 3 percent on July 1, 2026, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,643 to \$1,893 per month:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Salary increase	\$572,726	\$65,130	\$637,856
Health insurance increase	458,503	51,946	510,449
Total	\$1,031,229	\$117,076	\$1,148,305

³ Funding for FTE positions is added as follows:

	General Fund
Exhibition preparator	\$190,080
Tribal liaison	208,076
Total	\$398,156

⁴ Funding is added to replace 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE pool funding as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
New FTE positions	\$360,978	\$770,038	\$1,131,016
Vacant FTE positions	558,225	79,151	637,376
Total	\$919,203	\$849,189	\$1,768,392

⁵ Funding of \$1,223,573 for new FTE positions and estimated savings from vacant FTE positions is removed and funding of \$934,276 is added for a 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
New FTE positions	(\$388,876)	\$0	(\$388,876)
Vacant FTE positions	(749,528)	(85,169)	(834,697)
Total	(\$1,138,404)	(\$85,169)	(\$1,223,573)
Funding pool line item	874,658	59,618	934,276
Net savings	(\$263,746)	(\$25,551)	(\$289,297)

⁶ Funding for temporary staff salaries and operating expenses is added as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for temporary salaries	\$945,088	\$0	\$945,088
Adds funding for compliance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, including temporary salaries of \$376,436 and operating expenses of \$13,920	390,356	0	390,356
Adds funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position, of which \$170,122 is for temporary salaries and \$2,280 is for operating expenses	0	<u>172,402</u>	<u>172,402</u>
Total	\$1,335,444	\$172,402	\$1,507,846

⁷ Base level funding is adjusted as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for information technology (IT) increases	\$71,996	\$0	\$71,996
Adds funding for operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and utilities	186,163	0	186,163
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses	37,000	0	37,000
Transfers \$15,000 of federal funds from the operating expense line item to the grants line item for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants	0	0	0
Removes funding for bonds	(592,375)	0	(592,375)
Reduces funding for capital assets	(42,000)	0	(42,000)
Adds funding for NHPRC grants	0	<u>27,500</u>	<u>27,500</u>
Total	(\$339,216)	\$27,500	(\$311,716)

⁸ Funding of \$500,000 from the general fund is removed for cultural heritage grants, eliminating the program.

⁹ One-time funding is added as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Temporary archaeology collections specialist position, including \$46,460 for salaries and \$3,540 for operating expenses	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000
New FTE position operating expenses	10,225	2,011	12,236
Operating expenses for Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act compliance	100,000	0	100,000
Underrepresented community program	0	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>
Total	\$110,225	\$127,011	\$237,236

¹⁰ One-time funding of \$638,000 is added from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) for the Pembina State Museum for the purchase of exhibit objects and the installation of a new gallery design in the permanent gallery of the museum (\$600,000), replacement of carpeting (\$13,000), a photo gallery exhibit (\$20,000), and advertising expenses (\$5,000).

¹¹ One-time funding of \$83,644,524 from other funds is added as follows:

	SIIF	Bank of North Dakota Line of Credit	Donations	Total
Military gallery expansion project	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$38,744,524	\$78,744,524
Repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project	0	0	4,200,000	4,200,000
Inspiration gallery updates at the North Dakota Heritage Center after completion of the military gallery expansion project	<u>350,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>350,000</u>	<u>700,000</u>
Total	\$20,350,000	\$20,000,000	\$43,294,524	\$83,644,524

¹² One-time funding of \$3.57 million added from SIIF for Medora area planning.

¹³ One-time funding is added for archive storage upgrades at the Heritage Center (\$207,500 from the general fund) and improvements to historical structures and buildings (\$3 million from SIIF).

¹⁴ One-time funding for grants is added as follows:

	Federal Funds	SIIF	Total
Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000
Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000
Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
Historic movie theater improvement grant	0	250,000	250,000
Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
Historic armory restoration grant	0	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
Total	\$750,000	\$2,900,000	\$3,650,000

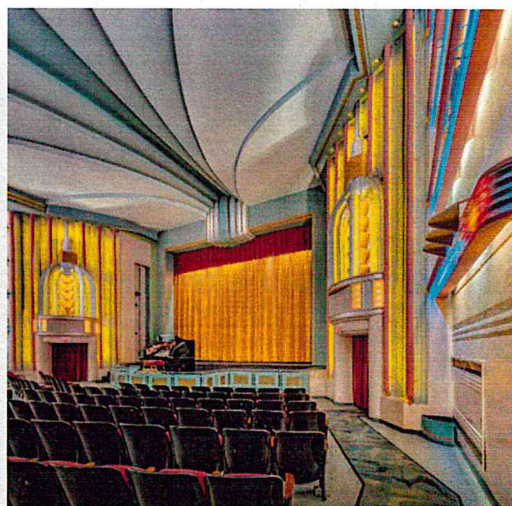
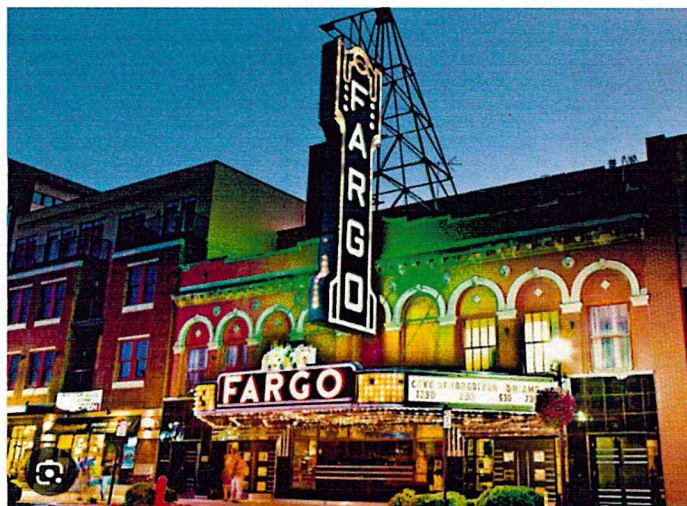
¹⁵ One-time funding of \$2,000,000 is added from SIIF for America's 250th celebration activities, including \$1,825,000 for the governor's gallery exhibit, \$50,000 for temporary salaries, \$75,000 for professional programming, and \$50,000 for repairs.

House Bill No. 1018 - Other Changes - House Action

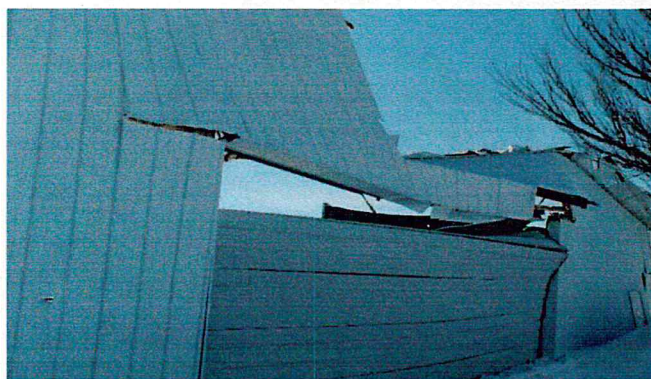
This amendment also adds sections to:

- Provide for the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.
- Identify \$32,458,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$20 million is for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$3.57 million is for Medora area planning, \$3 million is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$1.1 million is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1 million is for a Medora transportation improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$2 million is for America's 250th celebration activities. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$2 provided from the state.
- Identify \$20 million appropriated in Section 1 from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.
- Identify \$43,294,524 appropriated in Section 1 is from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4.2 million is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, and \$350,000 is to update the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center.
- Provide an exemption for funding appropriated from SIIF for critical repairs to historic site structures (\$3.25 million) and for creating new and repairing existing exhibits (\$300,000) during the 2023-25 biennium to continue into the 2025-27 biennium.

Fargo Theatre



Sargent County Historical Society / Museum



Marmarth Historical Society: Mystic Theatre & Railroad Bunkhouse



Ellendale: Historic Opera House



The Williston Old Armory



Medora Foundation: Trollies



2025 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

HB 1018

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Sakakawea Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
3/12/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; and to provide an exemption.

8:30 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Ronald Sorvaag, Senator Cole Conley, Senator Scott Meyer, Senator Donald Schaible, Senator Paul J. Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- Cultural Heritage Grants.
- New Positions acquired.
- Budget Request.
- Itemized List of Changes to House.
- PACE Fundraising Agency.

8:31 a.m. Dr. Bill Peterson, Director, State Historical Society, testified in favor and submitted testimony # 39939.

9:27 a.m. Andrea Wike, Assistant Director, SHS, continued testimony #39939 and answered committee questions.

9:30 a.m. Mitch Johnson, Adjutant General, ND National Guard, testified in favor and submitted testimony #40957.

9:35 a.m. Clarence Sitter, COO, Medora Foundation, testified in favor and submitted testimony #40484.

9:42 a.m. Emily Beck, Executive Director, Fargo Theatre, testified in favor and submitted testimony #39049.

9:49 a.m. Patrick Kirby, Founder, Do Good Better, testified in favor and submitted testimony #40581.

9:51 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag recessed the meeting.

10:02 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag reconvened the meeting.

Additional written testimony:

Karla Rose Hanson submitted testimony in favor #40470 and #40471.

Brady Larson, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, submitted testimony in neutral #40942 and #40943.

Arnie Strebe, Owner, BisBlox, submitted testimony in favor #40601.

Greg Gackle, President, Ellendale Opera House, submitted testimony in favor #39065.

10:03 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag closed the meeting.

Steven Hall, Committee Clerk

Testimony in Support of House Bill No. 1018**March 5, 2025**

Chairman Sorvaag and the honorable members of the Senate Appropriations Committee
Education and Environment Division,

My name is Emily Beck. I'm a lifelong North Dakota resident and for the last 13 years, I've had the privilege of serving as Executive Director of the Fargo Theatre.

Immediately following my testimony, please find copies of testimony from other North Dakota business leaders, residents, and organizations. Some statements refer to this current bill. Some are testimonies that were submitted on behalf of HB 1438, the original bill to provide grant funding to the Fargo Theatre. I have included old and new testimonies to demonstrate the depth and breadth of our support.

Nestled in the heart of downtown Fargo, the Fargo Theatre has been lighting up Broadway and igniting imaginations for nearly 99 years. This historic landmark is more than just a local icon; it is a thriving hub of arts and entertainment and a cornerstone of our city's cultural and economic vitality. Every year, the Fargo Theatre welcomes approximately 80,000 guests through its doors, drawing visitors from across North Dakota and beyond.

The Fargo Theatre is a critical economic driver for downtown Fargo. Studies show that for every dollar spent on an arts ticket, an additional \$3-\$4 is spent in the surrounding community—on dining, shopping, parking, and lodging. With an estimated economic impact of over \$5 million annually, the Fargo Theatre directly contributes to the vibrancy and growth of Fargo's downtown businesses, from locally owned restaurants to boutique retailers.

When the Theatre first opened in 1926 as a silent cinema and Vaudeville house, it quickly became a gathering place where residents could connect, celebrate, and create memories. Nearly a century later, the Fargo Theatre has maintained this legacy while expanding its role to meet the diverse needs of our modern community.

Incorporated as a nonprofit in 1983, the Fargo Theatre underwent a major renovation in 1998, restoring its iconic art deco architecture and fixtures. In 2009, we added a second auditorium, a strategic investment that increased programming opportunities and allowed us to reach even more audiences. Today, the Fargo Theatre operates as both a cinema and a live event venue, offering a vibrant mix of independent films, live performances, and community events.

Our slate of programming reflects the diversity of our community. As the only art house cinema in the region, we specialize in independent, international, and critically acclaimed films. We are also proud to produce the annual Fargo Film Festival, now in its 25th year, which is the largest media arts festival in the Dakotas and a significant tourism driver.

As a live event venue, we host a wide variety of performances, including productions by local arts organizations like the Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Orchestra and the F-M Ballet. Our

longstanding partnership with Jade Presents has brought professional touring musicians, comedians, and dance companies to the Fargo Theatre stage, drawing sell-out crowds and energizing our community.

But our reach goes beyond entertainment. The Fargo Theatre is a symbol of Fargo's identity and a catalyst for connection. Every year, we welcome thousands of students for field trips, where history comes alive on the big screen. Our marquee, named the "most photographed location in Fargo" by Forum Communications, serves as a beacon for our city, appearing in tourism commercials, celebrity selfies, and even ESPN Game Day broadcasts.

In celebration of the Fargo Theatre's upcoming centennial, we are conducting a capital campaign to fund projects that are critical to the organization's ability to serve the community. These projects fit into two primary areas of focus: preservation of the historic facility and production technology improvements. Specific expenses include large-scale HVAC and plumbing projects, seating replacement, and upgrading the Theatre's 30-year-old audio, lighting, staging infrastructure.

The Fargo Theatre is more than a venue—it's a vital part of our community's cultural and economic ecosystem. The opportunity presented by House Bill No. 1018 will ensure that this historic landmark can continue to evolve and thrive as we approach our centennial. The one-time matching grant proposed in this bill is a transformative investment that will multiply private contributions, amplifying the impact of every dollar raised. This funding will not only preserve an important piece of North Dakota's history but also secure the Theatre's future as a driver of economic growth, tourism, and community engagement.

With your support, we can honor the Fargo Theatre's legacy while positioning it for another century of service to the people of North Dakota. Thank you for considering this critical investment in one of our state's most beloved cultural assets.

Emily Beck
Fargo Theatre Executive Director

March 5, 2025

Senator Ron Sorvaag, Chair, and Members of the
Senate Appropriations Committee – Education & Environment Division

Chair Sorvaag and Committee Members:

Visit Fargo-Moorhead wholeheartedly supports matched funding for the Fargo Theatre, as now included in HB 1018. As you all know, the Historic Fargo Theatre is a gem and showpiece of our community, a status it has held for one hundred years. After thirteen years in the tourism sector, I can guarantee that no place in our metropolitan area is photographed more often by visitors, or more often as part of weddings, anniversaries, and birthdays. It also remains a popular place, not just for movies, but for concerts and private events.

I hope you will vote to advance this funding, which will help the Historic Fargo Theatre remain a vital part of this community for another one hundred years. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me on my mobile phone, 701-365-4567, or via my email, which is charley@fargomoorhead.org.

Sincerely,



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January 20, 2025

Chair Warrey and Members of the Committee,

On behalf of Kilbourne Group, I am writing to express our dedicated support for House Bill No. 1438, which would provide a matching grant to support the Fargo Theatre's Centennial Capital Campaign.

The Fargo Theatre has been a cornerstone of downtown Fargo for nearly a century, playing an integral role in the cultural and economic vibrancy of our community. Kilbourne Group has experienced this partnership firsthand, particularly through our collaboration on the 300 Broadway project. The Theatre's vision for a second screen was instrumental in shaping this development, and the resulting Theatre 2 has become a profound asset to the Fargo Theatre and the downtown environment as a whole. This collaboration highlights how historic preservation, and forward-thinking development can work hand-in-hand to benefit the entire community.

Beyond our shared projects, the Fargo Theatre is a critical component of what makes downtown Fargo a desirable place to live, work, and play. Its programming and iconic presence contribute to the vitality of the district, supporting businesses, attracting residents, and fostering a sense of community that aligns with Kilbourne Group's mission to create spaces where people feel connected and inspired.

House Bill No. 1438 represents a unique opportunity to invest in this historic landmark while leveraging private support to maximize impact. As a business that has benefited from the Theatre's role in revitalizing downtown Fargo, we encourage your support of this important legislation.

Thank you for considering this investment in one of North Dakota's most cherished cultural assets.

Sincerely,

Mike Allmendinger
President



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January 21, 2025

The Honorable Jonathan Warrey
Chairman, House Industry, Business & Labor Committee
North Dakota State Legislature
Bismarck, ND 58059

RE: Support for HB 1438

Dear Chairman Warrey and Members of the IBL Committee,

I am writing to express Xcel Energy's support for HB 1438 to provide match funding to sustain and enhance the Fargo Theatre, one of North Dakota's most iconic cultural landmarks and an integral part of North Dakota's identity. Please know that Xcel Energy was the first business to make a private financial investment to the 2026 public/private capital campaign.

Since its opening in 1926, the Fargo Theatre has stood as a beacon of arts, culture, and community in North Dakota. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, this beautifully restored Art Deco treasure is more than a movie theater—it is a gathering place that brings people together to celebrate film, live performances, and cultural experiences that enrich the lives of residents and visitors alike.

As a major economic driver, the Fargo Theatre attracts thousands of visitors each year, contributing significantly to the local and state economy. It serves as a hub for cultural tourism, supporting nearby businesses and fostering a vibrant downtown Fargo. Events like the Fargo Film Festival draw participants and audiences from across the region, boosting hospitality, dining, and retail industries.

Despite its enduring success, the Fargo Theatre requires continued investment to maintain its historic structure and expand its programming capabilities. Funding from the North Dakota Legislature would support critical facility upgrades, preservation efforts, and operational needs, ensuring the Theatre remains a cornerstone of culture and community for future generations.

Your support would not only preserve a beloved landmark but also affirm the state's commitment to fostering cultural heritage, economic growth, and community well-being. I respectfully urge the committee to allocate funding to the Fargo Theatre, recognizing its invaluable contributions to North Dakota's past, present, and future.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and dedication to supporting the arts in our state. Please feel free to contact me at 701.261.4691 or tony.s.grindberg@xcelenergy.com if I can provide additional information or assistance.

Sincerely,

Tony Grindberg

Xcel Energy
State Director, ND



The Fargo Neighborhood Coalition, an organization representing the residents of Fargo's core neighborhoods, strongly supports the passage of HB 1018, which will provide funds to preserve and maintain the historic Fargo Theatre.

Among the two most enduring symbols of North Dakota are the Badlands in the west and the Fargo Theatre in the east – especially its iconic marquee. When the national media features North Dakota, the Fargo Theatre often symbolizes the state. It hosts feature films and live performances from nationwide performers, and it attracts visitors from around the region who support local businesses. The annual Fargo Film Festival brings regional and international visitors who support the North Dakota economy. In these and other ways, the Fargo Theatre greatly contributes to the quality of life unique to North Dakota.

Maintaining the Fargo Theatre is an expensive proposition despite the ongoing and generous support of local residents and businesses. Passage of HB 1018 will assure that the Fargo Theatre will continue to make a vital contribution to the state and region. The Fargo Neighborhood Coalition urges the North Dakota Legislature to pass HB 1018 for the benefit all of North Dakotans.

Fargo Neighborhood Coalition executive team,

Zoë Absey

Danielle Erdmann

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DANIELLE L. ERDMANN

Dear Chairman Sorvaag and the members of the Senate Appropriations Committee,

I am writing to you as a Fargo Theatre Board Member in support of HB-1018.

The Fargo Theatre is one of my favorite places in the world. It is part of the foundation of my youth. After we moved to Fargo from Minot in 1988, my mother worked at Dakota Hospital. Every December, Dakota put on a holiday event where staff performed for audience members. I had a huge crush on an orderly and I can still picture myself sitting in the fourth row on the side watching him perform. All throughout high school, I went to movies at the Fargo Theatre. My favorite movie for years was Shine, which I saw in the late 90s while sitting in the balcony with a friend from Shanley.

I left for Northeastern University in 1999 and loved a local, independent theatre in Boston while I lived there, but Fargo's historic theatre has always been my favorite. Every time I was home for the holidays, I would make sure to see as many movies as I could at the Fargo Theatre. I had the iconic poster in my dorm room of Moscow, London, Paris and Fargo and people would come to my room and say "oh, you're from Fargo?" Through that poster with the seminal Fargo Theatre marquee, they recognized Fargo.

Twenty-five years later, I have moved back to Fargo and am pleased to serve as a Board Member for the Theatre. My friends fly to Fargo to visit me and they always want to see the Fargo Theatre in person. It is an icon for people from all over. In fact, a half dozen friends from all over the country are visiting me this March to attend the Fargo Film Festival. Since moving back, I have attended dozens of community events at the Fargo Theatre. It is a welcoming space for people to meet.

The most important aspect to me is that the Fargo Theatre is a great investment for the state. It is a nonprofit that drives the North Dakotan economy. I have had friends fly in to Fargo, attend an event at the Fargo Theatre and then take off from here to see the rest of our beautiful state. They are impressed with the history of the Theatre. Knowing that our legislature is in support of the theatre is inspiring.

Thank you for your support of HB-1018!

Regards,

Danielle L. Erdmann

1/20/2025

Dear Sir or Madame,

Historic sites serve as concrete reminders of North Dakota's past and our shared history. They form the foundation for strong and resilient communities. Once North Dakota's historic buildings are destroyed, they cannot be replaced; they are lost forever. Historic theaters from the early 20th century display classic architectural work by some of the most renowned architects of their time, often featuring innovative and ornate designs. Communities recognize their historic theaters' social and economic value, accepting them as integral pieces of their identity. Pittsburgh, Minneapolis, Cleveland, and New York City illustrate the positive outcomes that can arise when historic theaters are preserved and professionally managed, contributing to the quality of life in those cities and the economic benefits from their operations. The Fargo Theater, one of these amazing treasures, will have the same benefits for the City of Fargo and the State of North Dakota. For these reasons, I wholeheartedly support the initiative.

Thank you,

Beth Jansen

Executive Director



Dear Members of the North Dakota Legislature,

I am writing as a longtime resident and business owner in North Dakota to express my strong support for HB 1438. Having lived in several communities throughout the state—Fargo, Grand Forks, Bismarck, and Valley City—I have seen firsthand the critical need to preserve and support our historic buildings and cultural landmarks.

In each of these towns, the historic theatres and buildings are not just structures; they are vital hubs of activity, cultural identity, and economic vitality. Maintaining these buildings is an ongoing challenge, especially as the cost of doing business continues to rise. For many of us, keeping a century-old building in good condition requires significant resources, but it's an investment in preserving the fabric of our communities.

Take, for example, the Fargo Theatre. Beyond being a cherished landmark, it is a community treasure—an arts and entertainment center, a movie house, and a gathering place for people of all ages. The Fargo Theatre is a symbol of downtown Fargo's vitality, drawing visitors and residents alike to experience the magic of live performances, films, and community events.

But it's not just the Fargo Theatre that needs our attention. Historic theatres and buildings across our state play an essential role in the cultural and economic life of our towns and cities. They are irreplaceable assets that require ongoing support and investment to stay viable.

I urge you to support HB 1438 and help ensure that these important pieces of our state's heritage remain standing for future generations.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jade Nielsen
Jade Presents, LLC

Chairman Warrey

Vice Chairman Ostlie,

and Honorable members of the House Industry Business and Labor Committee - Landon Bahl, Josh Christy, Jayme Davis, Gretchen Dobervich, Karen Grindberg, Jorin Johnson, Jim Kasper, Ben Koppelman, Dan Ruby, Mike Schatz, Austen Schauer, and Daniel R. Vollmer.

I am Tim Flakoll, writing you as a private citizen of North Dakota encouraging your **support for HB 1438** which seeks funding for the historic Fargo Theatre that opened 100 years ago.

The Fargo Theatre is a high-use facility located in historic downtown Fargo. It hosts cinema (including many independent first-run films) and serves as a live event venue. I drive past it every day on the way to work and am always amazed at the frequency and breadth of offerings they provide to people of all ages in our region.

I have personally participated in countless events and performances at the art deco facility. It is not just an important part of our past, but will **play a vital role in our future**.

In recent years I have seen great movies from Classic Movie Series movies such as Cassablanca to the Sound of Music. I have used it to host and have participated in Downtown Community Partnership events, agriculture roundtables, patriotic events and to hear keynote talks from some of America's best speakers.

I have seen performances ranging from comedian Charlie Berens, to singers Clint Black, and the Blenders, to Black Jacket Symphony – Led Zeppelin. It truly has something for everyone and brings in people from within 150 miles or more to North Dakota, helping to fill our hotels and restaurants.

The marquee of the Fargo Theatre is said to be the most photographed place in the metro and those images have **brought coast to coast positive recognition to North Dakota** in print, TV and social media.

I have served on the Fargo Film Festival committee which is held every March since 2001. The festival has accepted submissions from independent filmmakers from more than 35 states and 20 countries making it a go-to destination. One of this year's featured guests will be Molly Ringwall, famous iconic films such as "Sixteen Candles", "Pretty in Pink" and "The Breakfast Club." Other multi-generational activities include their kid's movie series which provides kids and their families with affordable fun.

The Theatre is nine years older than the North Dakota State Capitol. Much like the capitol, it is amazing, but it needs refurbishment (plumbing, HVAC, lighting, projectors, seats, etc.) from its original environment in order to best serve the people of North Dakota. Please consider providing funds which can be used to help leverage private donations in order to help keep it as a **pearl on the prairie and a source of pride for all North Dakotans**.

Tim Flakoll

Tim Flakoll

Past State Senator (1998-2016)

Past President Pro Tempore of the Senate

Cass County Commissioner

Past Chairman – Downtown Community Partnership

I am Jane Mathew, and I have lived in Fargo for 37 years. I currently serve on the board for the Fargo Theater. I remember the first time I ever went to the Fargo Theater. We were invited by our neighbor, Dr. Blaine Amidon and his wife, Virginia, to go to a Silent Movie Night with them. I was overwhelmed the minute I walked in the door. The architectural style of this theater was like none other I had ever been in. I immediately fell in love with it.

Years later, I got involved with the Fargo Film Festival starting by just working the merchandise table. I enjoyed seeing the enthusiasm of real movie buffs who waited all year for the next festival. I was invited to be on a jury and from then on, I have been actively involved with the FFF and the theater. Movies that I had to review were coming in from all over the world. Film producers and directors made it a point to come to Fargo just to attend the festival. Since my first involvement with the festival, I have taken the opportunity to visit film festivals in other towns. The FFF rises above all others.

I continue to serve as a frequent volunteer usher at the theater, and I love it. I like to usher up in the balcony. I see many people coming upstairs just to catch a glimpse of what this piece of history really looks like from a bird's eye view. It's not just Fargoans coming to the Fargo Theater. The wonderful conversations and small world moments that I have experienced while ushering are many. People from all over the country come to see comedians, musical artists, plays, lectures and many more events held at the theater. This means they need a place to stay, rent a car, eat meals at local restaurants and more.

The Fargo Theater isn't just a building. It's a piece of Fargo history and an icon for downtown Fargo. It is a building located in Fargo, but it is recognized all across the state of North Dakota and the country. It can be seen in tourism ads encouraging visitors to check out what ND has to offer. As older buildings go, they always are in need of repair and some of those repairs are huge. Being a not-for-profit, resources have to be used wisely. Emily and her staff are very conscientious financially. The community is a great supporter of the theater, but more needs to be done. With the help of funding from the passing of this bill HB1438 and the opportunity to support a matching grant, families and friends can continue to enjoy the Fargo Theater for years to come.

SIDE NOTE: They have the very BEST popcorn. During Covid confinement, we ordered huge bags at a time just to enjoy it while watching a movie at home!!

Jane Mathew
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January 20, 2025

Members of the Committee, my name is John Machacek and I am a long time member/supporter, past board member and a current volunteer of the Fargo Theatre. I am submitting this written testimony **in support of House Bill No. 1438**, which is a Bill to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for a historic theater restoration grant program.

As a facility, the Fargo Theatre is a historic and iconic structure in Fargo and the State of North Dakota. The FARGO marquee must be one of the most photographed and shared images in the state, probably right up there with photos of Medora. Visitors want to get their photos taken in front of it and it is a go-to photo backdrop for many wedding and prom parties. You see the marquee image on the walls of many area businesses and hotels. There are countless media campaigns that utilize the image. And that is just the exterior of the building!

Inside is not only the large art deco style venue that seats more than 700 people but inside is also where all the wonderful arts & culture programming and community & corporate events occur. Whether a film, festival, concert, comedy show or community event, what goes on inside the Fargo Theatre is an important part of the fabric of engaging our residents and visitors. This kind of engagement helps with the attraction and retention of our population, as well as driving considerable tourism dollars to the region.

Between my love & appreciation for the theatre, and my firsthand knowledge from being a past board member, I could go on for pages on WHY this facility and organization is so important to our region and state. However, I will use my remaining comments tied to this knowledge that not only do I know the staff and board will effectively and efficiently manage funds raised as part of this public-private funding campaign, but I'll also note that the theatre needs this investment to preserve and improve the facility. The last major renovation was in the late 1990's and with this being a century-old building, it is need of some TLC and upgrades. We do not want to see any parts of the building deteriorate and we also want to get up-to-date on some of the obsolete or near obsolete audio, visual and HVAC equipment.

Again, please accept my written letter of testimony **in support of House Bill No. 1438** to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for a historic theater restoration grant program. The ROI of the public and private investments into maintaining, restoring and improving the theatre will provide tremendous tangible and intangible value.

Thank you,
John Machacek
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TESTIMONY OF LISA EDISON-SMITH IN SUPPORT OF HB1438

Mr. Chairman and Committee Members,

My name is Lisa Edison-Smith and I offer this testimony in support of House Bill 1438, a measure to provide funding to the North Dakota State Historical Society from which to provide a matching grant to the historic Fargo Theatre for the purpose of needed restoration to the Theatre.

The Fargo Theatre was completed in 1925 and is approaching its centennial anniversary of operations in 2026. The Fargo Theatre is a community treasure, and its marquee serves as a recognizable landmark and reminder of the rich history and contemporary vibrance not only of Fargo, but the entire state of North Dakota.

The Theatre itself is a beautiful example of art deco design and a hub of activity for the arts and events for the entire region. The building is home not only to first-run and classic films, silent movies, and the famed Fargo Film Festival, it also provides live stage and community events throughout the year.

I am a proud current Board member of the Fargo Theatre and have previously served as President of its volunteer Board. Through my work with the Fargo Theatre, I have seen first-hand the impact the organization and its dedicated staff have not just on the arts community, but the entire community of Fargo and state of North Dakota. From hosting groups of school children to corporate events, the Fargo Theatre is a vital historic and enrichment link that draws people to the state and region. It reflects both the state's history and tradition, as well as the renewed vibrance of its cities and communities.

During my time as President, the expense of preserving and maintaining such an historic architectural gem became apparent to me. Not only must funds be invested in everyday maintenance, but the Theatre must also be updated to provide enhanced and improved accessibility features to allow members of the public with mobility, audio, and visual restrictions to share in the events offered. As an example, a long-time friend and former co-worker reached out to me regarding the need for enhanced access after her husband became dependent on a wheelchair. Funding is critical to ensure that all members of the community and state are able to share in the offerings of the Fargo Theatre.

The Fargo Theatre, its truly amazing staff, and supporters are engaging in fundraising efforts to ensure that this historical treasure continues to shine and reflect the vibrancy of Fargo and all of North Dakota. HB 1438 provides appropriations for critical matching funding to allow adequate funding for the Fargo Theatre in its next century that will benefit all North Dakotans.

I encourage the Committee to pass HB 1438.

LISA EDISON-SMITH
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1/20/25

Dear North Dakota Legislators,

My name is Dr. Gregory B. Carlson and I am the chair of the Communication Studies and Theatre Art department at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota. I was born in North Dakota and am a North Dakota resident. I am also the co-founder of the North Dakota Film Society.

I am writing in strong support of HB 1438 for the positive good it will provide for the Fargo community and beyond. The Fargo Theatre has been an essential part of my life since my father took me to see "Star Wars" there in 1977. I am now 52 years old but hardly more than a week has gone by since my childhood that I have not visited the Fargo Theatre to see a movie.

As a building recognized on the National Register of Historic Places, the Fargo Theatre and its marquee – as instantly recognizable symbols of the community – have become well-known landmarks that appeal to locals and tourists alike.

As the Fargo Theatre approaches its centennial, the matching grant opportunity offers a sterling investment that reflects the values of maintaining historic buildings for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gregory Carlson

January 20, 2025

To: House Industry, Business, and Labor Committee

From: Janet Brandau

brandaujh@gmail.com

Greetings! I'm writing to you in support of House Bill no. 1438. I live in Moorhead, Minnesota, and came to the Fargo-Moorhead area decades ago for higher education. While a graduate student in Theatre Arts at NDSU I became familiar with the Fargo Theatre and their scope of offerings. After graduation I moved away to teach for ten years, and then moved back and have been here since. When I returned to this area I became involved as a volunteer at the Fargo Theatre and the Fargo Film Festival (over 15 years now) and I am a regular donor. I'm so proud of the breadth of programming the Fargo Theatre provides for our region, and the many people who are impacted by its offerings.

Maintaining this historic landmark provides us with a continuum through time, not only in the beauty of the structure itself, but in the history of the programming and the evolution of the technology needed to provide that programming. While there are movie theatres in many locations, historic venues like this are rare. Preserving the state's cultural heritage is an important and appropriate function for the legislature. Such places tell people who we are. The Fargo Theatre's programming tells people of all ages that they are welcome here. That there is a place offering a multitude of kinds of programming reflecting the region and the world. That our history is valued and we honor it while we preserve it for the future.

The return on investment in preserving this theatre is solid. It will continue to attract both residents and tourists to downtown and the broader region. It will continue to support the arts, entertainment, education, and the world of film through its programming. As a non-profit, the Fargo Theatre relies not only on ticket revenue but on the support of donors. The public-private model for this funding is a positive, demonstrating wide support for this iconic North Dakota landmark.

Thank you for considering this bill. I strongly encourage you to vote in favor of this investment. North Dakota's history and culture are important- this a rare moment in time (with the theatre's 100th anniversary approaching) to commit to preservation of a treasure and to launch it into its next 100 years. Thank you for reading and thank you for your support.

My name is Kendra O'Brien, and I'm writing in support of House Bill 1438.

For 98 years, the Fargo Theatre has been a shining presence at the heart of Fargo's downtown. House Bill 1438 is an investment in North Dakota's history and legacy, helping a non-profit that builds community, generates tourism dollars, and preserves the cultural heritage of our state.

When I came to Fargo in 1997, I had not seen anything like the Fargo Theatre, either in design or the independent filmmaking it showcased. The Fargo Theatre and Fargo Film Festival created a community for me that made me want to make Fargo my home after I finished my undergraduate and Master's degrees at NDSU.

The Fargo Theatre was there for my grandmother when she was an NDSU student in the 1930s, and was the site of my wedding and my son's first movie. I will be donating to the capital campaign to help keep it around in the hopes that future generations will have happy memories there too.

That the Fargo Theatre has survived for 98 years is a testament to North Dakotans willingness to work hard to preserve this valuable landmark. Please support bill 1438 to invest in the theatre's next century in downtown Fargo.

Kendra O'Brien
Fargo, ND



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Testimony before N.D. Senate Appropriations Education and Environment Division Thursday, March 6, 2025

The goal of O.P.E.R.A., Inc. – the non-profit organization that owns and operates the Ellendale Opera House – is to fully restore the historic Main Street landmark for use by the community.

O.P.E.R.A. (Organization of People in Ellendale for Restoration of the Arts) assumed ownership of the building – now listed on the National Register of Historic Places – from the city in 1992.

Since then, the roof has been replaced, part of the north wall reconstructed, the west wall and foundation rebuilt, new electrical service added, an ADA-compliant entrance installed and one of the four street-level storefronts renovated into a Lobby & Gallery space.

The Lobby & Gallery has been used for art exhibits, community events/activities, entertainment ranging from musical groups to play productions, and community art classes involving all age groups.

The improvements have been made thanks to private contributions, a USDA Rural Development loan and grants from the North Dakota State Historical Society.

With completion of significant structural improvements in recent years, O.P.E.R.A. is now focused on renovating the remaining storefronts and repairs needed to return the 700-seat upstairs auditorium to public use.

Restoration of the two remaining storefronts and auditorium could provide significant rental income to help make future building improvements.

Once complete, the multi-purpose facility would draw visitors to the community and boost the local economy of the city and region.

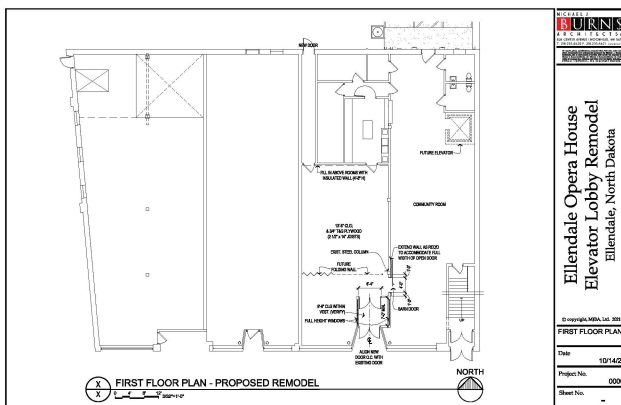
Justin Meidinger
Executive Director

Greg Gackle
President, O.P.E.R.A., Inc. Board of Directors

Historical note: Many combined commercial/community buildings in the early 20th century were called "opera houses" even though musical operas were not regularly performed in them. Mostly plays, vaudeville shows and musical acts (brought to town via the railroad) were booked to attract rural residents to town for shopping and entertainment. Many, like Ellendale's Opera House, had street-level storefronts for commercial businesses, upper floor offices for professional services like doctors and dentists, and a large auditorium for community events/activities, plays and musical entertainment. Local business owners raised \$40,000 in 1908 to build the opera house in Ellendale.



The opera house has four street-level storefronts. The storefront on the far right has been renovated into the Lobby & Gallery and is used regularly for community events, art exhibits, children's art classes, musical entertainment and play performances. The Annex, next to the Lobby & Gallery, is currently under renovation to provide more space for community events, activities and meetings. O.P.E.R.A. is planning to renovate the two remaining storefronts which could be rented for commercial use.



Plans have been completed and work begun to renovate the Annex, the second of four storefronts along Main Street.



The Lobby & Gallery was restored and is used for community events, activities and meetings. A small kitchen was added during renovation to provide for food service. Each Friday from April to October, O.P.E.R.A. members serve lunch to the public to raise money for the restoration work.



The opera house auditorium once seated 700 people and was used for dances and entertainment for more than 70 years. A new entrance on the northwest corner of the building, restoration of the balcony and additional life and safety code improvements need to be completed before the upstairs auditorium can be returned to public use. Eventually, an elevator is planned to serve the second floor auditorium.



Before a new roof was installed in the 1990's, water damaged and warped the auditorium balcony. The balcony originally was hung from the roof by metal rods, but new steel supports extending from the basement to the third level will need to be installed before the restoration of the balcony can be completed.



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Ellendale Opera House fund drive exceeds goal

Leach Foundation grant, double-match boost campaign over \$100,000

For immediate release: Friday, January 10, 2025

The 2024 Ellendale Opera House fund drive exceeded its goal thanks to a \$25,000 grant from the Tom and Frances Leach Foundation of Bismarck and a double-matching incentive in the final quarter of the year.

The "***Building on Success***" campaign raised just over \$107,000, the largest amount contributed during an annual O.P.E.R.A., Inc. fund drive. This year's goal was set at \$75,000.

All donations to O.P.E.R.A., Inc. – the non-profit organization that owns and operates the opera house – will go toward restoration to bring the historic structure back to full use by the community.

Attendees at the special 115th building birthday event Sept. 27 raised more than \$15,000. A special double-match went into effect in October with anonymous supporters matching each dollar donated with an additional \$2 dollars through the end of 2024.

O.P.E.R.A. – **O**rganization of **P**eople in Ellendale for **R**estoration of the Arts – was formed in 1992 to save the Main Street building from the wrecking ball. Because O.P.E.R.A. is a charitable non-profit organization, all donations are tax deductible to the full extent allowed by law.

All donors will have their names listed on a display in the Opera House Lobby & Gallery.

The organization recently completed a major restoration of the building's west wall and Main Street frontage at a cost of more than \$500,000.

Renovation of the Annex storefront currently is under way. The Annex, adjoining the renovated Lobby & Gallery storefront, will enable O.P.E.R.A. to hold two different activities in the building at the same time, and provide additional space for larger events in the Lobby & Gallery.

Planning also has begun on improvements to return the upstairs stage and auditorium to public use. To return the auditorium to public use will require upgrades to the building entrances along with fire and safety code work.

You can make a contribution to the opera house by mailing your donation to O.P.E.R.A., Inc. at P.O. Box 334, Ellendale, ND 58436, or donate online at: www.ellendaleoperahouse.com/donate.

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For additional information about naming/sponsorship opportunities, call 701-535-0347 or email: jmmeid@hotmail.com.

Visit our web site at: ellendaleoperahouse.com, or our Facebook page for restoration photos and additional building updates: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/122667311149139/>

State Historical Society of North Dakota

Testimony

Senate Appropriations

House Bill 1018

March 12, 2025

8:30-9:30 a.m.

Sakakawea Room

Dr. Bill Peterson, Director & ND SHPO

- North Dakota Century Code Chapter NDCC 55-01 - NDCC 55-12 authorizes the State Historical Society.

- Mission:
Empower Through History

- Values:
 - Access
 - Collaboration
 - Commitment to preservation

There were no audit findings for the agency in the previous biennium.



State Historical Society of North Dakota Organization Chart

State Historical Board: 7 appointed by Governor, 5 members by statute			
Director & SHPO: Dr. William Peterson			
Administration Director (26 FTE)	Archaeology & Historic Preservation Director/Deputy SHPO (13 FTE)	State Archives Director/State Archivist (12 FTE)	Audience Engagement & Museum Director (31.5 FTE)
Business Office	State Historic Preservation Office	Reference	New Media Management
Technology Administration	Archaeology	Research Library	Marketing & Public Relations
Museum Store	Architecture	Digitization and Microfilming	Publications
Building Operations	Cultural Heritage Research	Digital Repository	Exhibits Management
Facility Rentals	Archaeology Collections	Archives Collections	Museum Collections
Security	Education	Education	Education & ND Studies
Training and Safety	Technical Assistance	Technical Assistance	Technical Assistance
	Federal and State Grants		Historic Sites
			Visitor Services
			Volunteer Management

2025-2027 STRATEGIC PLAN

MISSION

Empower
Through History

VALUES

Access to History

Collaborative
Environment

Commitment to
Preservation

PARTNER FOR IMPACT

- Reach specified areas of compliance with new national NAGPRA regulations and enhance tribal nation relationships related to these processes.
- Build a military gallery and ND Heritage Center expansion, with considerations for an additional two galleries to potentially follow.
- Increase educational opportunities through outreach initiatives.
- Enhance visitor experiences and visitation at identified historic sites and museums.
- Develop best uses for three state properties in Medora based on 2024 studies.
- Commemorate ND 250.

BUILD ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY

- Plan for military gallery and ND Heritage Center expansion staff and resource needs.
- Incorporate agricultural and large object galleries into an additional ND Heritage Center expansion plan.
- Increase advocacy efforts throughout all departments.
- Increase educational opportunities through outreach initiatives and expand content of ND Studies.

EMBRACE EMERGING TECHNOLOGY USE

- Enhance citizen-focused digital services and interactives.
- Increase access to state history through digital integration of products & services.
- Ensure proper digital storage capacity to keep up with agency needs.
- Modernize department practices for easier use of services by ND citizens.
- Use GIS as an agency resource with designated staff training.

INCREASE EARNED REVENUE

- Expand the ND Heritage Center & State Museum usage and visitation.
- Enhance visitor experiences at all staffed state historic sites and museums, increasing visitation.

2024 at a Glance



611,270
VISITORS
TO STATE MUSEUMS
AND HISTORIC SITES



213
VOLUNTEERS



60 STATE MUSEUMS
& HISTORIC SITES

49 HISTORIC BUILDINGS

8 INTERPRETIVE CENTERS

21 SERVICE BUILDINGS

19 CCC MARKERS/KIOSKS

1,224 ACRES TOTAL



10
FRIENDS GROUPS
SUPPORTING HISTORIC SITES

EMPLOYEES

83.5 FULL TIME

119 TEMPORARY



1 GOVERNING
BOARD



**NATIONAL
AWARD**



80,000
**SQ. FT. OF
EXHIBITS**

STATE MUSEUMS
& HISTORIC SITES



588,604
NEW USERS OF
AGENCY WEBSITES



69,356
AGENCY SOCIAL
MEDIA FOLLOWERS



3 NEW NATIONAL
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3,300
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2,369 STATE GOVERNMENT RECORD SERIES

3,000 FEET OF SHELF SPACE OF MOVING
IMAGE COLLECTIONS

80,000+ MUSEUM ARTIFACTS

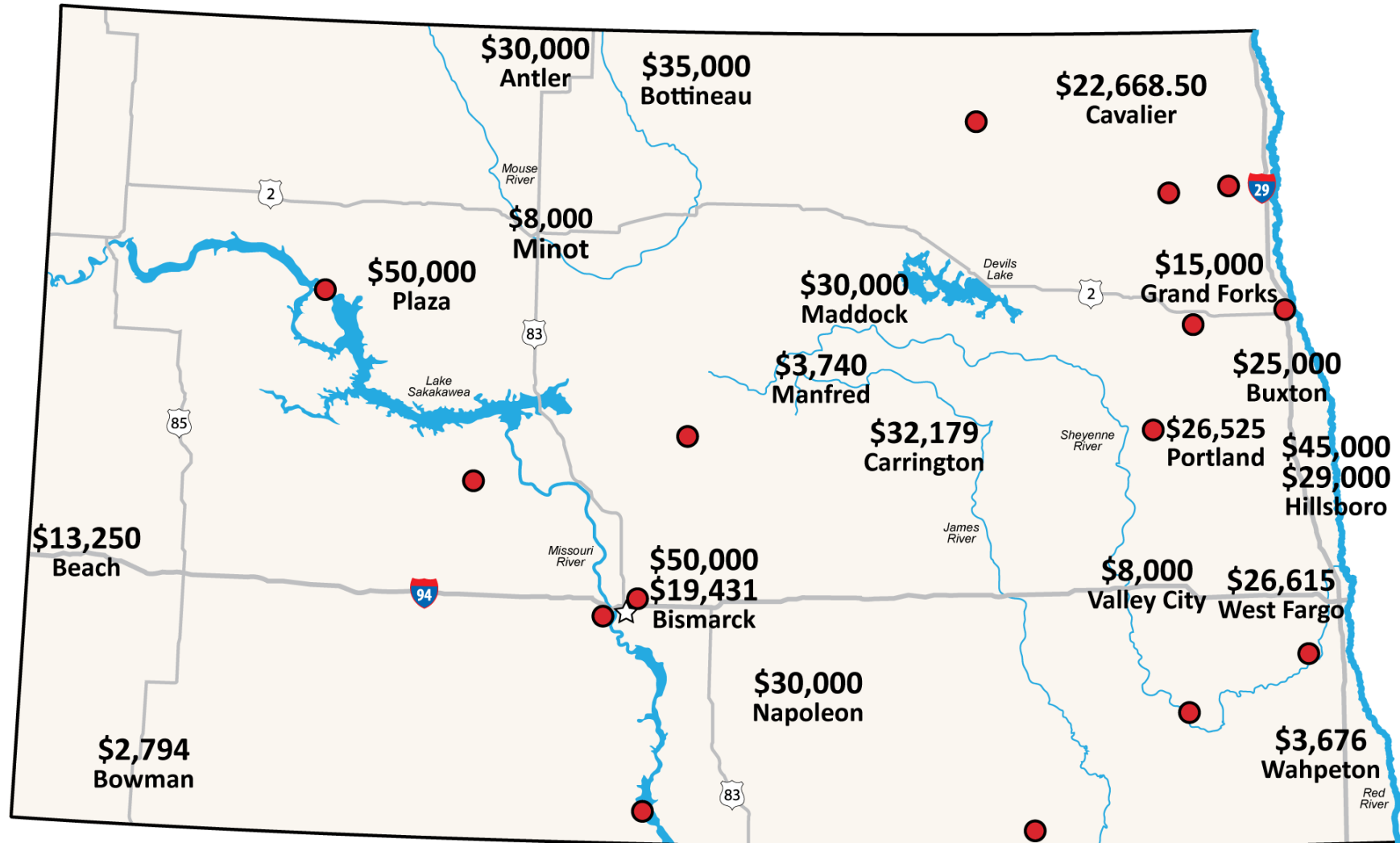
12 MILLION+ ARCHAEOLOGICAL ARTIFACTS

9% OF N.D. ACRES SURVEYED FOR
CULTURAL RESOURCES

21,000 CULTURAL RESOURCE REPORTS &
76,000 SITE FORMS USED BY
595 SPECIALISTS



Cultural Heritage Grants





New Positions

Position	FTE	Date Filled	Source	Amount Transferred from OMB	Appropriation Authority Removed	Amount Estimated to be Spent
Museum Store Manager	1.00	7/1/2023	Special	232,375	309,208	220,502
Assistant Store Manager	1.00	7/1/2023	Special	178,032	244,142	164,948
Lead Store Clerk	1.00	7/1/2023	Special	159,470	216,688	144,658
Events Coordinator	0.25	7/1/2023	General	44,850	64,814	44,857
Public Information Officer	0.50	9/18/2023	General	108,574	108,574	97,883
New Media Specialist	1.00	8/14/2023	General	172,420	187,590	173,198
TOTAL	4.75			895,721	1,131,016	846,046



New Positions

The agency was approved for 4.75 new positions during the 2023-25 biennium.

The first three positions listed were established, fully benefited, and funded by special fund continuing appropriations through our Museum Store sales in accordance with NDCC 55-02-04. We were granted the authority for these positions. These new positions were filled immediately effective 7/1/2023.

The fourth position was approved to add a .25 FTE onto a fully benefited generally funded .75 FTE position that the agency had in our events coordinator capacity. This position was filled immediately effective 7/1/2023.

The fifth position was approved to add a .5 FTE onto a fully benefited generally funded .5 FTE position that the agency had in a public information officer capacity. The person holding .5 FTE position chose to retire instead of work in a full-time capacity. Therefore, we posted and hired a new employee effective 9/18/2023.

The sixth position was a newly authorized and funded position to create and oversee the new digital content and the software and maintenance of these new technologies. This position was posted, and we hired an internal team member to fill this position.

Vacant Positions

- 11 positions turned over in the 2023-25 biennium
- Average of 2.5 months to fill 10 positions
- 1 position remains unfilled
- Vacancy savings of \$143,255 in general and \$16,829 in federal
- Vacancy savings used in continuing to make salaries more equitable.

Source	Appropriation Authority Removed	Amount Transferred from OMB	Additional Anticipated Request
General Fund	558,225	202,115	356,110
Federal Fund	44,382	-	-
Special Fund	34,769	-	-
TOTAL	637,376	202,115	356,110



Vacant Positions

In the current biennium through February 28, 2025, there were 12 FTEs that separated employment, which included resignations, retirements, and other departures. On average, we filled 11 of these positions within 2.5 months. There is one position that remains vacant, which we estimate will be filled by April 2025.

After paying out \$23,354 in leave payouts, vacancy savings resulted in \$184,600 in general funds and \$16,829 in federal funds. The 68th Legislative Assembly removed the authority of \$558,225 in general funds, \$44,382 in federal funds, and \$34,769 in special funds from the agency's budget for vacant FTE positions.

Our agency has transferred \$202,115 in general funds from the OMB pool and anticipate in requesting an additional \$356,110 in general funds. The vacancy savings are being used to make our employees' salaries more equitable. Prior to the target market equity increases, our agency had an average comp ratio of .878. As of September 2024, the average comp ratio was .941. While this is a step in the right direction, we are committed to making salaries more equitable by ensuring employees with at least three years of service in a supervisory position are at a comp ratio of .95 and in a non-supervisory position are at a comp ratio of .88. We estimate \$165K in general funds and \$13K in federal funds will be used in the effort of making salaries more equitable.

2025-27 Request/Recommendation Total to Current Biennium

	2023-25 Biennium Appropriations	2025-27 Agency Request	2025-27 Burgum Recommended	2025-27 Armstrong Recommended
Salaries and Wages	16,514,494	22,132,296	21,886,351	21,743,916
Operating Expenses	4,595,831	5,892,016	5,741,021	5,741,021
Capital Assets	25,414,428	154,095,833	112,867,833	92,867,833
Grants	1,803,340	1,720,840	1,720,840	1,720,840
Cultural Heritage Grants	500,000	11,500,000	-	-
America's 250th	250,000	7,200,000	7,000,000	2,000,000
Exhibits	300,000	-	-	-
TOTAL	49,378,093	202,540,985	149,216,045	124,073,610
FTE	83.5	97.5	85.5	85.5

2025-27 Base Comparison

	2025-27 Legislative Base Level	2025-27 Agency Base Request	2025-27 Gov Burgum Base Rec	2025-27 Gov Armstrong Base Rec	2025-27 House Base Budget
Salaries and Wages	16,832,853	22,085,836	21,839,891	21,697,456	21,034,123
General Fund	15,687,738	19,923,196	19,545,617	19,417,729	18,996,907
Federal Fund	1,126,359	1,579,756	1,666,615	1,656,680	1,422,580
Special Fund	18,756	582,884	627,659	623,047	614,636
Operating Expenses	3,443,236	3,789,835	3,758,155	3,758,155	3,748,875
General Fund	3,248,236	3,604,435	3,572,755	3,572,755	3,566,595
Federal Fund	95,000	85,400	85,400	85,400	82,280
Special Fund	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Capital Assets	1,330,184	695,809	695,809	695,809	695,809
General Fund	1,164,375	530,000	530,000	530,000	530,000
Federal Fund	165,809	165,809	165,809	165,809	165,809
Special Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	928,340	970,840	970,840	970,840	970,840
Federal Fund	928,340	970,840	970,840	970,840	970,840
Cultural Heritage Grants	500,000	11,500,000	-	-	-
General Fund	500,000	11,500,000	-	-	-
TOTAL	23,034,613	39,042,320	27,264,695	27,122,260	26,449,647
General Fund	20,600,349	35,557,631	23,648,372	23,520,484	23,093,502
Federal Fund	2,315,508	2,801,805	2,888,664	2,878,729	2,641,509
Special Fund	118,756	682,884	727,659	723,047	714,636
FTE	83.5	97.5	85.5	85.5	85.5

2025-27 Legislative Base to Base Budget Request/ Recommendation/ House

Salaries and Wages – The Legislative Base budget of \$16,832,853 is used to pay the salaries and wages for 83.5 FTE positions within our four departments. We employ positions specializing in archaeology; historic preservation; archives; collections management; curation; exhibition; communications; marketing; education; visitor services, including historic site management; Museum Store operations; and administration. In addition, we employ up to 119 temporary employees in a calendar year. Most of these positions work seasonally at our historic sites.


The Legislative Base is composed of:

- \$15,687,738 in General funding for most employees and 40% match for those employees qualified under the Historic Preservation Fund grant
- \$1,126,359 in Federal funding for 60% match for those employees qualified under the Historic Preservation Fund grant, and
- \$18,756 in Special funding for employees that carry out the business activities at our Museum Stores across the state.

The House approved the following base changes in the Salaries and Wages line:

- Base payroll changes of reduction of \$306,652 that included a reduction of \$87,917 in General funding for the 3% budget reduction, the addition of \$21,939 in Federal funding authority to account for the increases in salaries for those employees qualified under the Historic Preservation Fund grant; and a reduction of \$240,674 in Special funding in the agency's Concessions as the authority provided in the 2023-25 was higher than what was needed. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- Salary increases of \$637,856 with \$572,726 in General funding, \$44,486 in Federal funding, and \$20,641 in Special funding. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- Health insurance increases of \$510,449 with \$458,503 in General funding, \$32,429 in Federal funding, and \$19,517 in Special funding. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- Replacement of the 2023-25 new FTE pool with an increase of \$1,131,016 with \$360,978 in General funding, and \$770,038 in Special funding. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- Replacement of the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool with an increase of \$637,376 with \$558,225 in General funding, \$44,382 in Federal funding, and \$34,769 in Special funding.
- Reduction of \$38,888 in General funds for the 2025-27 new FTE pool.
- Reduction of \$250,409 with \$224,858 in General funds and \$17,140 in Federal funds and \$8,411 in Special funds for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool.

- The addition of \$945,088 in General funds for costs to continue operations. With the request to cut 3% from our budgets, we realigned the budgets between departments within the agency. However, there are increased costs that go above and beyond our base budget needs. Funding will be used to restore the 3% budget cuts to temporary salaries and to add temporary positions that cover maintenance, data entry, visitor services, and interns across the agency. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- The addition of \$584,512 in General funds to hire 1 FTE position for tribal consultation and 2 temporary positions for collections management to comply with new Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (1990) or NAGPRA regulations. In early 2024, the Department of Interior released new regulations on the compliance of NAGPRA. NAGPRA requires that institutions receiving federal funds, such as museums and universities, to make efforts to repatriate skeletal remains, funerary objects, sacred items, and objects of cultural patrimony. The new regulations change the decision-making authority from institutions to tribal communities as to which items are covered by NAGPRA laws and which were exempt. Therefore, the display of any Native American artifacts should include tribal consultation before finalizing exhibits. The State Historical Society completed its NAGPRA inventory of existing collections in 1992. The current efforts to comply with the new guidelines would represent the first agency-wide inventory since then. This is \$12,440 less than Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation recommended 2 temporary positions that we had requested as FTEs and therefore the agency recognized cost savings.
- The addition of \$180,800 in General funds to add an FTE exhibition preparator position. Over the past 30 years, the State Historical Society has grown with the addition of six state historic sites, the Pembina State Museum, expansions of the State Museum and other sites, and new interpretive centers at the Chateau and Fort Abercrombie. All of these include exhibition spaces, yet the number of staff who manage exhibition work has not increased. In addition, over the next five years, upcoming exhibition projects include the creation and management of a new ND Military Gallery, exhibit projects in Medora at our existing facilities and potential new facilities, a redesign of the State Museum's Inspiration Gallery, a new exhibit at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center, and an entirely revamped exhibition space at the Pembina State Museum. However, with this exciting agency growth in service to North Dakota citizens, we continue this work with a team of three curatorial staff, one exhibitions manager, and one exhibitions preparator to serve our exhibition needs. This FTE position will work with partners and exhibitions firms on proposals and contracts, help install exhibitions, address maintenance challenges, fabricate exhibit components, fix aging exhibition and technology parts, and work with electrical components. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- The addition of \$170,122 in Federal funds as funding is being provided by the NRCS, Natural Resources Cultural Services, to hire a full-time temporary Historic Preservation Specialist. This position would be responsible for reviewing NRCS projects to ensure timely environmental reviews under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and also overseeing completion of all aspects of the consultation and review process, including data entry, internal coordination of the review process, identification of historic properties, assessment of effects, and providing comments to applicable federal agency. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.




Operating Expenses – The Legislative Base budget of \$3,443,236 is needed for IT services; utilities at our historic sites and storage facilities; fleet services and other travel expenses; property, risk management, and workforce safety insurance; building and grounds supplies for our historic sites; advertising and marketing expenses; and other operating expenses. The Legislative Base is composed of \$3,248,236 in General funding, \$95,000 in Federal funding under the Historic Preservation Fund grant, and \$100,000 in Special funding derived from a grant from NDDOT for use at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center.

The House approved the following changes in the Operating Expenses line:

- The addition of \$71,996 in General funds for the IT allowance. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- The reduction of \$15,000 in Federal funds under National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant as we are asking to move the authority from Operating Expenses into Grants. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- An addition of \$186,163 in General funds for increased costs associated with NDIT data processing costs for new IT projects that were funded with State Fiscal Recovery Funds; fire and tornado insurance premiums that are going up by 25%; a new elevator maintenance contract for the elevator that was installed in the 1883 Stutsman County Courthouse; storage needs for digital collections and supplies within the State Archives; and utilities as we are increasing the use and functionality of some of the 80 buildings and historic sites that we manage with the funding we've received for historic site repairs and improvements. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- An addition of \$46,280 in General funds with \$9,280 for operating costs associated with the approved exhibition preparator FTE position and \$37,000 to increase awareness of the Pembina State Museum by designing two billboards that would reach traffic coming and going from Canada as NDCC 55-02-06 mandates our agency to be responsible in promoting the Pembina State Museum. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- An addition of \$13,920 in General funds for operating costs associated with the approved NAGPRA tribal consultant FTE position along with the 2 collections management temporary positions. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- An addition of \$2,280 in Federal funds for the operating costs associated with the temporary Historic Preservation Specialist funded through the NRCS. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.

Capital Assets – Capital assets line is used to purchase maintenance equipment on a rotational basis and for extraordinary repairs and maintenance at our historic sites. The Legislative Base in the amount of \$1,330,184 is composed of \$1,164,375 in General funding, which includes funding for the debt service payments of the 2005 Series A bond issue that were for the purpose of expanding the State Archives at the ND Heritage Center & State Museum and an Interpretive Center addition in Medora in 2005 and moneys for extraordinary repairs and maintenance at our historic sites, and \$165,809 in Federal funding under the Historic Preservation Fund grant to be used on our state properties that are on the National Register of Historic Places.



The House approved the following changes in the Capital Assets line:

- The reduction of \$42,000 in General funding for the 3% budget reduction from the maintenance equipment. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.
- The reduction of \$592,375 in General funds as in November 2023, the agency paid off the 2005 bond that was issued for the expansion of the Archives in the Heritage Center and the construction of an interpretive center in Medora. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.

Grants – The Grants line is used for grants to subrecipients under the Historic Preservation Fund grant to Certified Local Governments and under the National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant. The Legislative Base is \$928,340 in Federal funding received under the Historic Preservation Fund grant.

The House approved the following changes in the Grants line:

- The addition of \$15,000 to move the authority from Operating Expenses into Grants plus an additional increase of \$27,500 in Federal fund authority under the National Historical Publications and Records Commission grant to provide grants to subrecipients for the preservation of archive collections. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.

Cultural Heritage Grants – The agency has an established grant program that provides small grants to communities throughout North Dakota for a variety of projects. The Legislative Base is composed of \$500,000 in General funding for the purpose of providing these grants.

The House approved the reduction of \$500,000 as a result of the 3% budget reductions. This is consistent with Governor Armstrong's executive recommendation.

2025-27 One-Time Funding Items

	2025-27 Agency One-Time Request	2025-27 Gov Burgum One-Time Exec Rec	2025-27 Gov Armstrong One-Time Exec Rec	2025-27 House One-Time Budget
Salaries and Wages	46,460	46,460	46,460	46,460
Federal Fund	46,460	46,460	46,460	46,460
Operating Expenses	2,102,181	1,982,866	1,982,866	6,178,776
General Fund	2,021,630	752,315	110,225	110,225
Federal Fund	80,551	80,551	80,551	80,551
Special Fund		1,150,000	1,792,090	5,988,000
Capital Assets	153,400,024	112,172,024	92,172,024	85,072,024
General Fund	110,455,500	2,207,500	207,500	207,500
Special Fund	42,944,524	109,964,524	91,964,524	84,864,524
Grants	750,000	750,000	750,000	3,650,000
Federal Fund	750,000	750,000	750,000	750,000
Special Funds	-	-	-	2,900,000
America's 250th	7,200,000	7,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
General Fund	7,200,000	-	-	-
Special Fund	-	7,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
TOTAL	163,498,665	121,951,350	96,951,350	96,947,260
General Fund	119,677,130	2,959,815	317,725	317,725
Federal Fund	877,011	877,011	877,011	877,011
Special Fund	42,944,524	118,114,524	95,756,614	95,752,524

2025-27 One-Time Funding Items

The House funded the following one-time funding items:

- \$62,236 for temporary staff salaries and operating. \$10,225 in General funding will be used for operating costs were associated with the 2 additional FTE positions. \$52,011 in Federal funding will be used for the temporary Historic Preservation Specialist from NRCS funds plus \$50,000 from the USDA Forest Service to hire a full-time temporary Archaeology Collections Specialist. This position would support and assist with care, preservation and maintenance of the USDA Forest Service collections housed at the SHSND.
- \$100,000 in General funds for repatriation compliance costs. As previously mentioned, the Department of Interior released new regulations on the compliance of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (1990) or NAGPRA. NAGPRA requires that institutions receiving federal funds, such as museums and universities, to make efforts to repatriate skeletal remains, funerary objects, sacred items, and objects of cultural patrimony. The new regulations change the decision-making authority from institutions to tribal communities as to which items are covered by NAGPRA laws and which were exempt. Therefore, the display of any Native American artifacts should include tribal consultation before finalizing exhibits. One-time funding will be used to hire a tribal consultant.
- \$638,000 in SIIF funds for Pembina State Museum exhibits. In the 2023-25 biennium, consultants were hired to revamp the exhibition space with updated history. Funding will be used to purchase the exhibit objects and install the new gallery design. In addition, funding is requested to collaborate with ND Geological Survey paleontologists to develop a new permanent fossil exhibit in the Pembina State Museum's temporary exhibits gallery, which would promote the valuable fossil discoveries in this region of the state and draw new visitors to the museum. Additionally, funding will be used to fulfill the newspaper advertisement requirements of the museum abandoned property law in chapter NDCC 55-12 to resolve the ownership status of loans that have remained in our possession without any contact from the lender dating back 10 years or more.
- \$75,000 in Federal funding for the underrepresented community program. We have applied for funding for a National Park Service Underrepresented Communities grant to hire a consultant that would focus on survey and context development of integrated baseball players and fields in North Dakota and culminate in a National Register Nomination.
- \$82,944,524 in Special funds for the Military Gallery expansion project. The 67th Legislative Assembly authorized the adjutant general to accept up to \$10M from other funds for the construction of a North Dakota military museum and to enter into an agreement with the State Historical Society for this project, which was signed on October 17, 2022.

The 68th Legislative Assembly extended a line of credit of \$20M from the Bank of North Dakota to the State Historical Society to continue with this project. It was the intent that the society request funding from the 69th Legislative Assembly from the legacy earnings fund to repay the line of credit. \$4,200,000 is requested to repay the costs incurred during the 2023-25 biennium from the BND line of credit.

The Military Gallery expansion project with a mission to “Honor, Educate, and Inspire” is well established and in the construction document phase. Private fundraising for this project continues. Descriptive materials of this project are included as an attachment on pages 39-61. \$78,744,524 will be needed to construct an addition that will be sure to attract visitors with a 20,000 square foot state-of-the-art military gallery, a regimental room that will seat up to 400 guests, an expanded restaurant with a North Dakota flavor, and an expanded amphitheater.

Here is a breakdown of the funds and lines used for this project:

Fund	Line	Agency Request	Burgum Exc Rec	Armstrong Exc Rec	House
<i>One-Time Funding Items</i>		122,944,524	82,944,524	82,944,524	82,944,524
Donations	Operating Expenses				4,200,000
General Fund	Capital Assets	80,000,000			
Donations	Capital Assets	42,944,524	42,944,524	38,744,524	38,744,524
SIIF	Capital Assets		40,000,000		20,000,000
BOND	Capital Assets			44,200,000	
BND LoC	Capital Assets				20,000,000

- \$700,000 in Special funds for Inspiration Gallery updates. As almost 20% of the objects in the Inspiration Gallery: Yesterday and Today at the State Museum are military collections and will be moved into the Military Gallery, funding is needed for repairs and preservation of the artifacts in need of conservation. With these items being relocated, the Inspiration Gallery will need to be updated. Funding will be used to conserve the military artifacts that will be transferred from the Inspiration Gallery into the Military Gallery; hire a consultant to plan an upgrade of the Inspiration Gallery; and purchase supplies and technologies needed for the production of new exhibits in the Inspiration Gallery.
- \$3,570,000 in Special funds for Medora area planning. Medora Area Planning. In 2024, the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) initiated a comprehensive strategic planning process for the Chateau de Morès State Historic Site's three properties in Medora. This plan is designed to guide the site's development from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2034. This long-range plan is included as an attachment on pages 62-65. In addition, we are working with Snøhetta for architectural design services to (1) implement sustainable use of the Chateau's three sites; balancing preservation of exhibits and artifacts with visitor engagement; and carefully designing restorations and enhancements, including installing heating, air, and improved accessibility at the historic Chateau home, (2) build an addition to the Chateau Interpretive Center of a museum focusing on hunting and wildlife found in North Dakota. Weaving together the conservation legacy of Theodore Roosevelt with the Chateau's history as a summer hunting lodge, this museum and its family-oriented programs will increase our visitation. Both guests of the Theodore Roosevelt Library a short distance away and additional Medora tourists are expected to embrace this unique visitor experience. This building addition will include a large gallery exhibit space, food service, and some housing for staff, and (3) construct a family-friendly riverfront walkway, along with developing river access for kayaking, canoeing, tubing, and wading. Funding will be used for some of the design recommendations suggested by Snøhetta as shown on page 66.

- \$207,500 in General funds for State Archives storage updates. The State Archivist is mandated as the official custodian of the archival resources of the state under NDCC-55-02.1-03. An integral part of serving as the official custodian is the ability to properly house, preserve, and create access to records of historic value. A recent inventory and study of the current storage space indicates the State Archives will be at full storage capacity in less than 12 years, resulting in a need for a building expansion. Funding will be used to hire a structural engineer to study the load carrying capacity in order to upgrade current storage solutions by enclosing and fireproofing storage carriages; converting microfilm and map case storage for more efficient shelving and use of space; and replacing static shelving with compact shelving, which would provide an additional 7,500 linear feet of capacity. By maximizing space usage now an expansion may be prolonged well beyond the 12-year estimate.
- \$3,000,000 in Special funds for historical structures and building improvements. In the 2021-2023 and 2023-25 bienniums, \$4.2M in APRA funds and \$3.25M in SIIF funds, respectively, were appropriated to the agency for historical structure building improvements. We continue to monitor and prioritize a list of our building improvement needs. An attachment of all the historic building improvement needs is listed on pages 67-70. These improvements are needed to continue our goal of modernizing and repairing state structures and sites so that they are welcoming and attractive to all North Dakota residents and visitors. Funding will be used to hire the appropriate design professionals and/or contractors to perform these improvements.
- \$750,000 in Federal funds for the Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants. The Paul Bruhn grant program is administered by the National Park Service and provides pass-thru Federal grant funding to qualifying subrecipients for historic preservation to National Register listed buildings located in rural communities.
- \$2,900,000 in Special funds to pass-thru grant funds for improvements to historical structures, which includes \$1,100,000 for the FARGO historic theater restoration, \$250,000 for the Ellendale Historic Opera House, \$200,000 to the Sargent County Historical Society Museum, \$250,000 to the Marmarth Historical Society for the Mystic Theater and Railroad Bunkhouse, \$1,000,000 to the Medora Foundation for a trolley system, and \$100,000 for the Williston old armory.
- \$2,000,000 in Special funds for America's 250th celebration. NDCC 55-01-13 & 14 establishes the America 250 commission and presents the powers and duties of the commission. As the commemoration date of July 4, 2026, will occur during the next biennium, funding is being requested to provide grants to communities and groups in the eight regions across North Dakota; plan, fabricate, and purchase an exhibit production service for an exhibition to be installed in the Governors Gallery of the State Museum; and provide public programming and events at the State Museum and state historic sites to compliment the North Dakota 250 exhibition in communities across the state.

2023-25 One-Time Funding Uses

One-Time Funding Description	2023-25
Historic site and extraordinary repairs	3,250,000
Inflationary costs	120,795
Digital interactive initiative	425,000
Geographic information system remote access and upgrade	250,000
Medora site planning	150,000
Army corps of engineers grant	400,000
Opera house restoration	250,000
Whitestone Hill monument	250,000
Digital humanities advancement grant	30,000
Scanner and microfilm plotter	236,044
Exhibit engagement	375,000
Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grant	750,000
Underrepresented community grant	125,000
America's 250th celebration	250,000
Military museum	20,000,000
Total all funds	26,861,839
Total special funds	24,955,000
Total general fund	1,906,839



2023-25 One-Time Funding Uses

Historical site and extraordinary repairs - \$3,250,000 in SIIF funds were appropriated.
As of January 31, 2025, \$413,733 has been spent.

To date, this money has funded projects that include hiring an architect and conducting an environmental survey at Fort Totten State Historic Site where we are planning to restore the gymnasium; restoring the house/office at Whitestone Hill State Historic Site that is now being used to provide housing for the site's supervisor; stabilizing the foundation and repairing the roof and exterior wall at the Chateau de Morès historic home; and plaster and painting repair at the Welk Homestead State Historic Site.

Other projects that have been obligated include Greenflush restrooms that will be installed at the Welk Homestead, Whitestone Hill, and Fort Buford state historic sites; continued work at the Chateau de Morès home that include an electrical upgrade, insulation, and the installation of an HVAC; installation of a septic system at the Caretaker's Cottage in Medora; and repairs to the fire suppression tank at Fort Buford.

Other projects that we plan to enter into contracts in 2025 include regrading the Gingras Trading Post State Historic Site due to silting, along with replacing the windows; repairing the roof and wall of the event center at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center; replacing the boiler and improving the heating system at the Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility within the Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile State Historic Site; and miscellaneous repairs to additional sites.

We plan to have the full amount obligated by the end of the biennium but may need carryover authority to complete these projects.


Inflationary costs - \$120,795 in General funds were appropriated.

As January 31, 2025, \$61,389 has been spent. This adjustment has been applied to increased utility costs at our artifact storage units and historic sites. At this time, we are unable to determine if we will use all the funds appropriated.

Digital interactive initiative - \$425,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, \$44,718 has been spent.

To date, the agency has purchased several items that will debut as part of our ND250 exhibit in the State Museum including: a digital interactive screen to highlight important tribal nation stories from the 1700s as part of our ND250 exhibition; a Magic Box exhibit piece to showcase films, documents, and artifacts related to the state Capitol burning and construction of the next Capitol; another large digital screen that will show a statewide interactive trail of "World's Largest" sculptures, as well as state historical sites to visit. After this exhibit closes at the end of 2027, these pieces will move to the Inspiration Gallery: Yesterday and Today at the State Museum. Another large digital screen will be installed in the Inspiration Gallery and allow the visitor to select engaging film footage, personal stories, and artifact stories related to the military in North Dakota.



In addition, the agency is working to install a visitor digital walking trail from the Capitol Grounds to the Former Governors' Mansion and Camp Hancock State Historic Site in downtown Bismarck that will provide a colorful history of statues, landmarks, and buildings.

A new kiosk is being ordered for Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center to develop a new Missouri River education component.

The agency plans to spend the full amount authorized. Our goal is to use all the funds by June 30, 2025, but carryover authority may be needed.

Geographic information system remote access and upgrade - \$250,000, of which \$225,000 in General funds and \$25,000 in historic revolving funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, \$7,018 has been spent. Additionally, \$50,000 has been obligated to VertiGIS for professional support and development. Another \$45,000 is earmarked for additional VertiGIS software modules (VertiGIS FM), and remaining budget is earmarked for additional professional development services as they are identified during project design. We plan to use all funding by June 30, 2025.

Medora site planning - \$150,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, \$82,073 has been spent.

As previously noted, a comprehensive strategic plan for the Chateau de Morès State Historic Site and surrounding properties in Medora was completed. See a copy of the long-range plan on pages 62-65.

The remaining funding will be used for architectural design services for the various properties in Medora working with Snøhetta. We have come to terms and conditions with Snøhetta, with work scheduled to begin at the beginning of 2025.

Army Corps of Engineers grant - \$250,000 in Federal funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, there weren't any funds spent. We did not enter into a Task Order agreement with the COE; therefore, we do not expect to spend this authority.

Opera house restoration - \$250,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, \$250,000 had been spent.

With this grant, a major restoration of the west wall, sidewalk, and foundation of the Ellendale Opera House was completed.

Whitestone Hill monument - \$250,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, \$6,000 has been spent. A contract has been awarded to Quintus 3D for the professional architectural and design services of a Native American Memorial/Monument at Whitestone Hill State Historic Site. The firm is progressing on the design work.

Digital humanities advancement grant - \$30,000 in Federal funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, no funds were spent. We were not awarded this grant; therefore, we do not expect to spend this authority.

Scanner and microfilm plotter - \$236,044 in General funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, \$185,458 has been spent. The State Archives purchased an Archive Writer allowing digital newspapers to be quickly downloaded and printed in microfilm and eliminating distorted images caused by human error. All North Dakota newspapers preserved on microfilm by the agency will be processing using this new technology by the beginning of 2025. In addition, Archives purchased a Scan Master, which is a new imaging system that speeds up the scanning of oversize items such as maps and newspapers. The agency is currently in the procurement process to purchase a microfilm processor. The agency plans to spend the full amount authorized.

Exhibit engagement - \$375,000, of which \$300,000 in SIIF funds and \$75,000 in donated funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, \$63,692 has been spent. To date, the agency has purchased six 98" digital screens to replace failing and pixelized technology in the Inspiration Gallery at the State Museum. In addition, a new "Guns of the Expedition" exhibit is being created, with new exhibit cases and historic objects being ordered at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center in Washburn. A "Sunflowers & Sundogs" exhibit was installed at the Chateau Interpretive Center in Medora with a few additions to come. A new sound system has been ordered for the Chateau Interpretive Center to add sounds to the museum gallery. An exhibit contractor was hired to refresh the Pembina State Museum and plans are underway to order a few new exhibit objects for this extensive update.

Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grant - \$750,000 in Federal funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, there weren't any funds spent. We have applied for this grant for the past three years but have not been awarded the funding. Therefore, we do not expect to spend this authority by June 30, 2025.

Underrepresented community grant - \$125,000 in Federal funds were appropriated.


As of January 31, 2025, \$28,527 has been spent. The Fort Totten Indian Boarding School National Register nomination update is moving forward. A contractor has been hired and has made two visits to the site. We are asking for carryover authority for the remaining amount to be carried over into the 2025-27 biennium for this project as we have a contract extending through March 2026.

America's 250th celebration - \$250,000 in General funds were appropriated.

As of January 31, 2025, \$3,539 has been spent. Work continues on this project as we prepare to share North Dakota's story as part of the nation's 250th birthday on July 4, 2026. In accordance with NDCC 55-01-14 Section 4. Subsection c., the State's replica of the Liberty Bell was moved from storage and is on exhibit in the ND Heritage Center & State Museum. We have hired a North Dakota 250 Coordinator to help plan and coordinate statewide events. We are asking for carryover authority for the remaining amount in addition to the optional request.

Military museum - \$20,000,000 line of credit was extended to the agency.

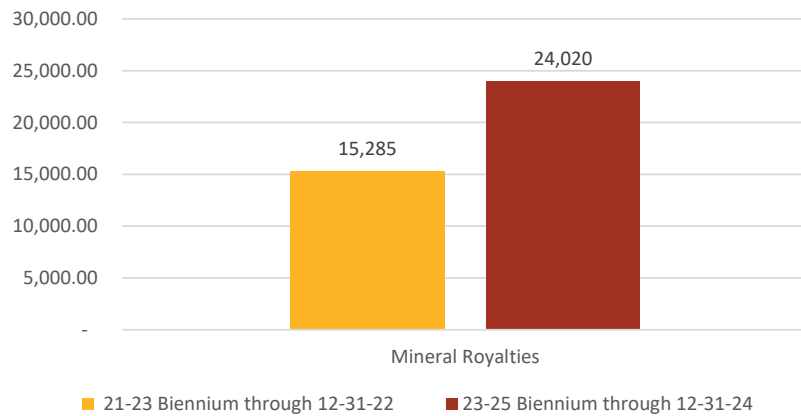
As of January 31, 2025, the agency has drawn \$2,256,392.10 and has \$27,810.09 due in interest. Zerr Berg Architects/BWBR were selected by a committee for architectural services of a preliminary design of a military museum. Zerr Berg/BWBR included the option, which the agency opted to take, to add on a



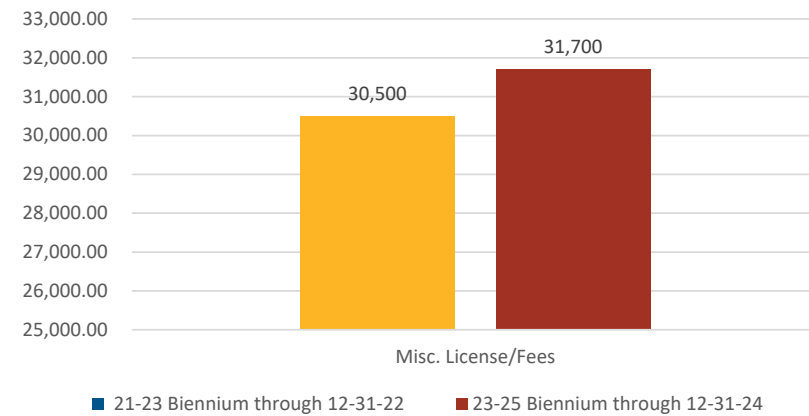
virtual concept study completed by Ralph Appelbaum Associates. A selection committee then opted to hire Ralph Appelbaum and Associates to prepare and install the exhibits in the Military Gallery. Finally, a selection committee selected Kraus Anderson to be the construction manager at-risk for the project. We are currently in the Construction Documents phase of the project. Funding is requested to complete the project in the optional request.

Agency Collection Comparison

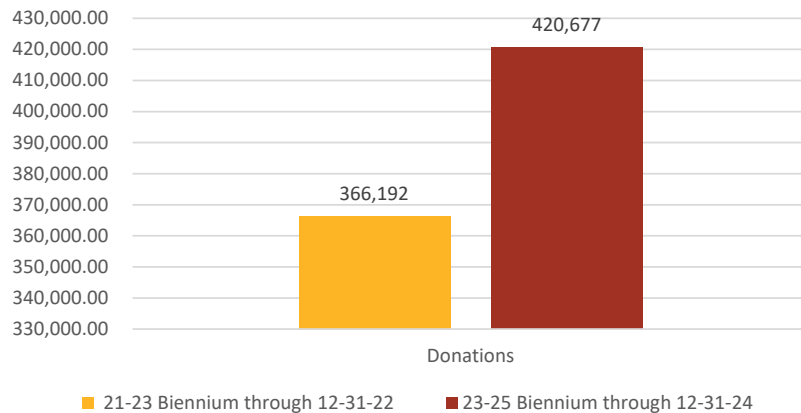
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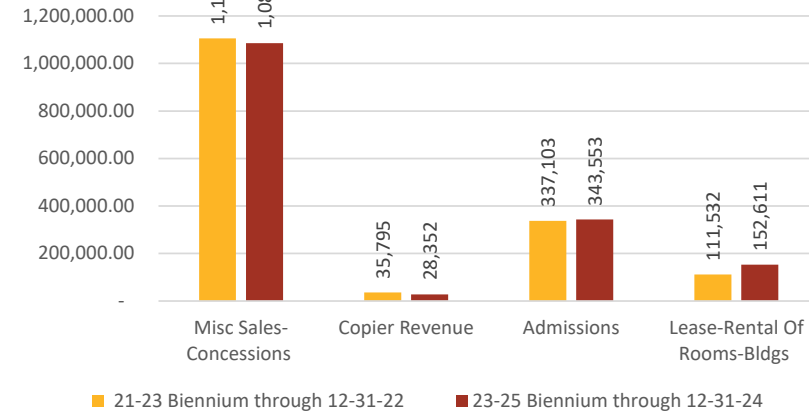
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Agency Collection Comparison

This slide shows a comparison of the revenues in the first 18 months of the 2021-23 biennium to the first 18 months in the 2023-25 biennium. I will discuss our revenues by each fund.

General Fund

The revenues in the General fund are mineral royalties received from land we own at our Fort Buford State Historic Site in Williams County; at Killdeer Mountain Battlefield State Historic Site in Dunn County; and at Writing Rock State Historic Site in Divide County. Also included in these revenues are credits from our electrical bills paid to local electrical coops. These fees fluctuate according to oil production.

Fund 327 (State Historical Revolving Fund)

NDCC 55-03-04 establishes a revolving fund, which we call the Archaeological Permit fund. Revenue deposited into this fund is authorized under NDCC 55-03-01 and 01.1. These fees are for Archaeological Permits and for cultural resource reports issued of an amount set by the director. Charges to this fund are to pay for a portion of the GIS software licenses. These fees have not increased since the late 1990s. The State Historical Society is reviewing its fee structure and anticipate updates by the end of calendar year 2025.

Fund 415 (Historical Gift and Bequest Fund)

NDCC 55-01-04 allows the agency to accept donations. Our significant donations in the 2023-25 biennium include mitigation funds received from BNSF that will be passed through as a grant to subrecipients, a grant from NDDOT for the deconstruction of a sign in Medora that will be reconstructed after work on Pacific Avenue is completed, funds received from the ND Newspaper Association to supplement the purchase of an Archive Writer, a donation to process the Ritterbush collections in the State Archives, and a grant from Teaching with Primary Sources to conduct a teacher in-service at Fort Totten Historical Site. All donations collected must be used for the purpose intended by the donor. Our donations remained fairly consistent from biennium to biennium.

Fund 603 (Concessions Fund)

NDCC 55-02-04 allows the agency to charge fees for concessions sales. The main sources of revenue under this fund are from Museum Store sales, costs for the public to make copies of archival documents available in Reference Services at the State Archives, admission sales at our historic sites, and facility event rentals.

Copier revenue slightly decreased. These funds are used for the operating expenses to make the copies and may be used on temporary salaries for individuals in Reference Services within the State Archives.

There was also slight decrease in Museum Store sales. The fees for merchandise sold in the stores across the state are set according to retail standards that consist of cost, sales tax, MSRSP, and any surcharges that may apply to the item. Prices are set to cover the costs, which are used for salaries of the Museum Store employees and suppling inventory for all the sites.

We noted growth in admissions to state historic sites. A committee meets every few years to review the set admission fees. New admission fees went into effect January 1, 2025, at our staffed historic sites. Admissions revenues supplement a portion of salaries for temporary employees at our historic sites.

Facility rental revenue went up significantly this period. This is due to an increase in our fees for facility rentals after a study was completed, which found our fees were significantly less than other local venues. These fees are used to fund salaries for event staff and security officers hired for facility rentals, along with being used for improvements and upgrades to our meeting rooms.



Federal State Fiscal Relief Funds

- HVAC system at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center
- Dark Fiber project to the Missouri Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center and Fort Buford State Historic Site
- Purchase of Security Cameras to be installed at our historic sites located in Jamestown, Medora, Williston, and Fort Abercrombie



Federal State Fiscal Relief Funds

In the 2021 Special Session, the Legislative Assembly authorized SFRF funds under House Bill 1505 Section 2 for historic site improvements, in which carryover authority was given by the 68th Legislative Assembly under Senate Bill 2018 Section 10. As of January 31, 2025, there was \$180,350 remaining to be spent. These moneys have been obligated to putting in a new HVAC system at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center. This project has been substantially completed and therefore the funds will be paid by June 30, 2025.

Also in the 2021 Special Session, the Legislative Assembly authorized SFRF funds under Senate Bill 2345 Section 1 Subsection 12, in which the Capital Construction Carryover Committee authorized carryover authority. As of January 31, 2025, there is \$207,492 remaining to be spent for IT infrastructure projects. We are working with NDIT to provide internet service through a rural internet service provider to the Missouri Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center (MYCIC) near Williston. We estimate this project will be completed in the spring of 2025 at an estimated cost of \$95K. The remaining \$113K is allocated for the purchase and installation of security cameras with the ability to integrate to our new security system at some of our sites, including the Chateau Interpretive Center, Fort Abercrombie, Fort Buford, and the 1883 Stutsman County Courthouse. These projects will use all available funds by June 30, 2025.

One-Page Itemized Listing of Changes to House


	2025-27 Agency Request	2025-27 Gov Burgum Exec Rec	2025-27 Gov Armstrong Exec Rec	2025-27 House Version	Changes to House
Salaries and Wages	22,132,296	21,886,351	21,743,916	21,080,583	554,155
General Fund	19,923,196	19,545,617	19,417,729	18,996,907	445,675
Federal Fund	1,626,216	1,713,075	1,703,140	1,469,040	108,480
Special Fund	582,884	627,659	623,047	614,636	-
Operating Expenses	5,892,016	5,741,021	5,741,021	9,927,651	26,740
General Fund	5,626,065	4,325,070	3,682,980	3,676,820	23,620
Federal Fund	165,951	165,951	165,951	162,831	3,120
Special Fund	100,000	1,250,000	1,892,090	6,088,000	-
Capital Assets	154,095,833	112,867,833	92,867,833	85,767,833	-
General Fund	110,985,500	2,737,500	737,500	737,500	-
Federal Fund	165,809	165,809	165,809	165,809	-
Special Fund	42,944,524	109,964,524	91,964,524	84,864,524	-
Grants	1,720,840	1,720,840	1,720,840	4,620,840	-
Federal Fund	1,720,840	1,720,840	1,720,840	1,720,840	-
Special Fund	-	-	-	2,900,000	-
Cultural Heritage Grants	11,500,000	-	-	-	5,000,000
General Fund	11,500,000	-	-	-	5,000,000
America's 250th	7,200,000	7,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	-
General Fund	7,200,000	-	-	-	-
Special Fund	-	7,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000	-
TOTAL	202,540,985	149,216,045	124,073,610	123,396,907	5,580,895
General Fund	155,234,761	26,608,187	23,838,209	23,411,227	5,469,295
Federal Fund	3,678,816	3,765,675	3,755,740	3,518,520	111,600
Special Fund	43,627,408	118,842,183	96,479,661	96,467,160	-
FTE	97.5	85.5	85.5	85.5	1.0

Itemized listing of changes to House

We had asked for authority for 2 FTE positions in our Archaeology and Historic Preservation department. 1 FTE position would keep up with the ongoing demand of developing innovative procedures for consistent and timely consultation, providing efficient technical assistance to federal agencies and private applicants amongst increasing workloads, and educating stakeholders on the importance of protecting North Dakota's finite cultural heritage while streamlining review processes. Additionally, the State Historical Society has been at the forefront in the use of non-destructive methods, such as the introduction of Uncrewed Aerial Systems and geophysical prospection tools, including Ground Penetrating Radar, which are revolutionizing archaeology. This FTE position would conduct studies in-house at our managed properties to help set precedents in modernizing fieldwork for cultural resource management consultants to use non-destructive methods that will aid contractors in the adoption of technological innovations thus reducing contractors' costs, which can then be passed on to the clients seeking regulatory assistance. Both executive recommendations provided the funding to make these positions as a temporary status. We had asked the House to make one position into an FTE and to drop the other position. The House made the decision to remove all funding for these positions. On January 20, 2025, President Trump issued an Executive Order Declaring a National Energy Emergency, in which he declared an energy emergency in regard to the availability of domestic energy resources and domestic energy production, transportation, refining, and generation. Although the Executive Order does not reference compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the regulations implementing Section 106, "Protection of Historic Properties" at 36 CFR part 800, acknowledge that activities that respond to a disaster or emergency declared by the President require expeditious review from 30 days to 7 days. We are requesting the Senate to provide funding and authorization for 1 FTE in the amount of \$82,568 in General funds and \$111,600 in Federal funds to help ensure we comply with the National Energy Emergency order.

We had asked for authority for 2 FTE positions to focus on the backlog of legacy records and another to assist with the management of the increasing volume of incoming records from government agencies. The State Archives currently receives an average of 1,024 linear feet of paper and 49,271 digital records biennially. However, due to limited number of employees, only 20 linear feet and approximately 20,000 digital files of backlog are processed each biennium. The executive recommendation did not provide any authority or funding for either position. The State Archivist, as mandated by NDCC 55-02.1-03, is the official custodian of North Dakota's government archival resources. To continue fulfilling this mandate and due to an increase in the transfers from both state and local governments, the State Archives is requesting general fund authority and funding of \$176,805 to hire one temporary position to process, rehouse, and appraise records, increasing storage longevity.

We had asked for authority for 2 FTE education positions to manage the growing education workloads involving North Dakota's students, teachers, and lifelong learners. The 2024 North Dakota History Day participation increased from 141 students participating in 2024 to an anticipated 856 students joining in spring 2025. During this biennium we also launched a field trip program offering 50 new free tours for students at the State Museum, with 101 programs being provided. Due to increasing demand, we added new programs for toddlers through grade 5, expanding from 44 programs in 2022 to now offering 200 programs per year. We have also researched, written and provided 24 new ND Studies lesson plans for teachers in 2023-24 school year. The executive recommendation did not provide any authority or funding for this request. We are asking the Senate for general fund authority and funding in the amount of \$209,922 to hire one temporary education position to help the increasing workload with National History Day and the ND Studies curriculum.



In an effort to comply with the 3% budgets cuts under Governor's Burgum's budget request, our agency made the tough decision to defund the Cultural Heritage grant program. However, across the state, historic preservation and economic development are making a difference. The preservation of old buildings, neighborhoods, and landscapes define the look of a community. The rehabilitation of a single historic building can spark a new residential or commercial development. Suburban sprawl and roadside development make every community look the same, and it is important for rural North Dakota to keep their identities intact. Identifying the importance of historic preservation, the House funded \$2.9 million in grants for individual projects that could have potentially qualified under the Cultural Heritage Grant program. Therefore, we are asking that the Senate reinstate funding in order to continue this program. Our ask is \$5 million in General funding, but we are willing to negotiate.

Our last request is to change the funding source of the \$4.2M appropriated from donations to repay the line of credit under the Military Gallery expansion project. We have pledges in the amount of \$7.5M available, but do not have the cash on hand. Therefore, we will need to come up with another way to repay the BND line of credit approved in the 2023 Session.

Carryover Uses Report in accordance with NDCC 55-44.1-11





Carryover uses report in accordance with NDCC 54-44.1-11

NDCC 54-44.1-11 states, “...the state historical society shall report on the amounts and uses of funds carried over from one biennium to the appropriations committees of the next subsequent legislative assembly.”

The agency carried over \$709,503.41 from the 2021-23 biennium to the 2023-25 biennium.

A majority of the funds were carried over for historical site needs. Projects included new wayfinding signage at the Welk Homestead State Historic Site, obligation to replace the fence at Camp Hancock State Historic Site running beside the railroad tracks, mosasaur skull replicas, a cast to exhibit at Pembina State Museum, installation of educational content at the Chateau de Morès Interpretive Center, and to supplement what is needed in excess of the SFRF funds for the HVAC project at the Lewis & Clark Interpretive Center. Also, in working with the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force, funding is being used to transport an HH-1H Iroquois “Huey” helicopter that once belonged to the 79th Rescue Flight stationed at Grand Forks Air Force Base (1993 to 1998) from Arizona to display at the Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile State Historic Site in Cooperstown.

Grant funds obligated under the 2021-23 Cultural Heritage Grant were carried over into the 2023-25 biennium. Funding was granted to the McHenry County Historical Society for restoration of the City Hall, Antler Historical Society to restore the town square and State Bank of Antler building, and a Dakota Adventist Academy project to restore class composite photos that had been displayed in their hallways. These included composites from Dakota Adventist Academy, Sheyenne River Academy, and Plainview Academy.

Funds were also carried over for a consultant hired to develop a comprehensive agency plan for the audit, review, and enhancement of policies and procedures pertaining to 2024 guidelines to the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (1990), or NAGPRA.

Finally, funds were carried over for technology projects. These projects included repairing fiber lines in Medora, personal computers and monitors for staff, the purchase of a weather station at Camp Hancock in Bismarck, and upgrades to the sound system in the auditorium at the ND Heritage Center & State Museum.

Thank you.



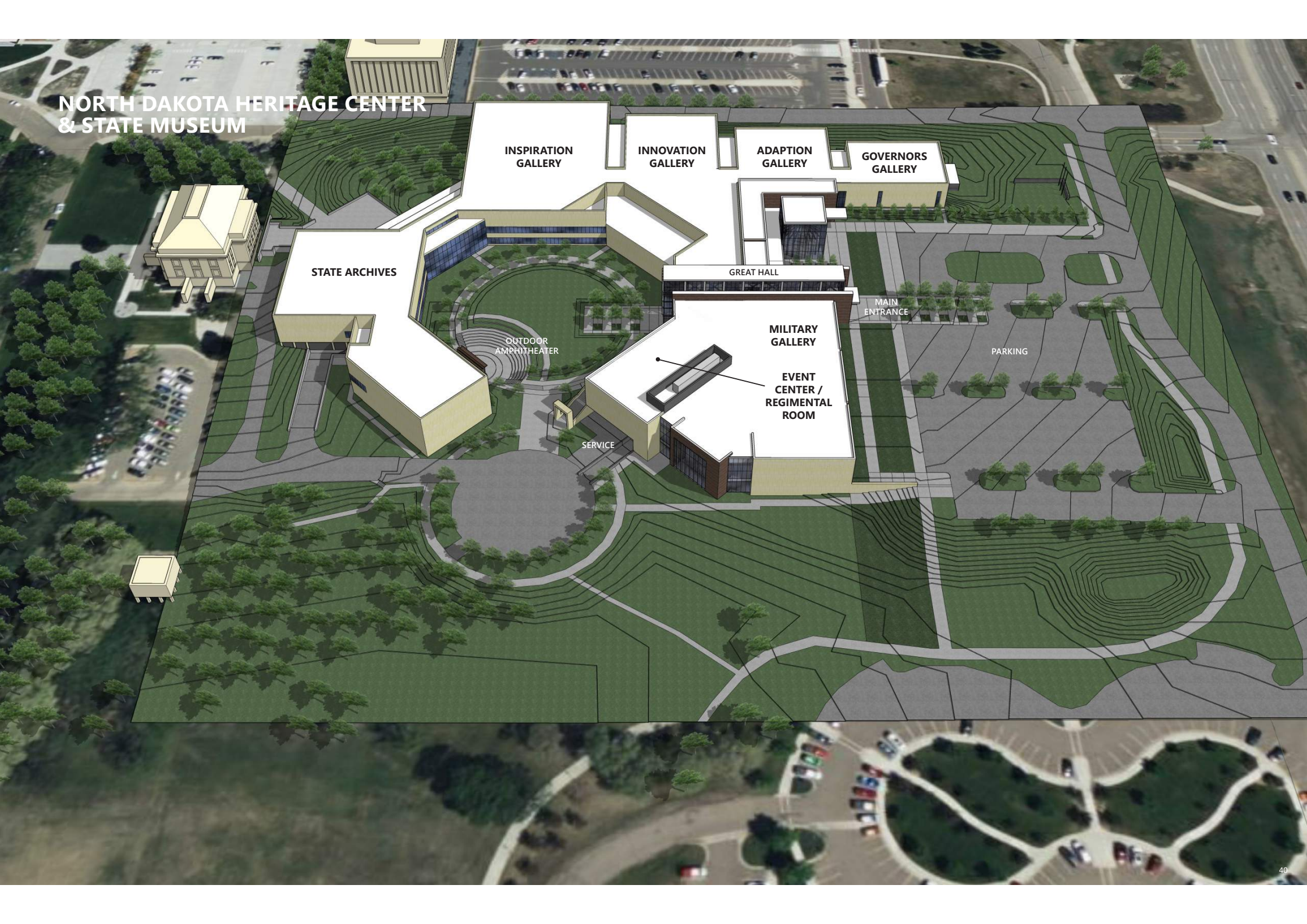
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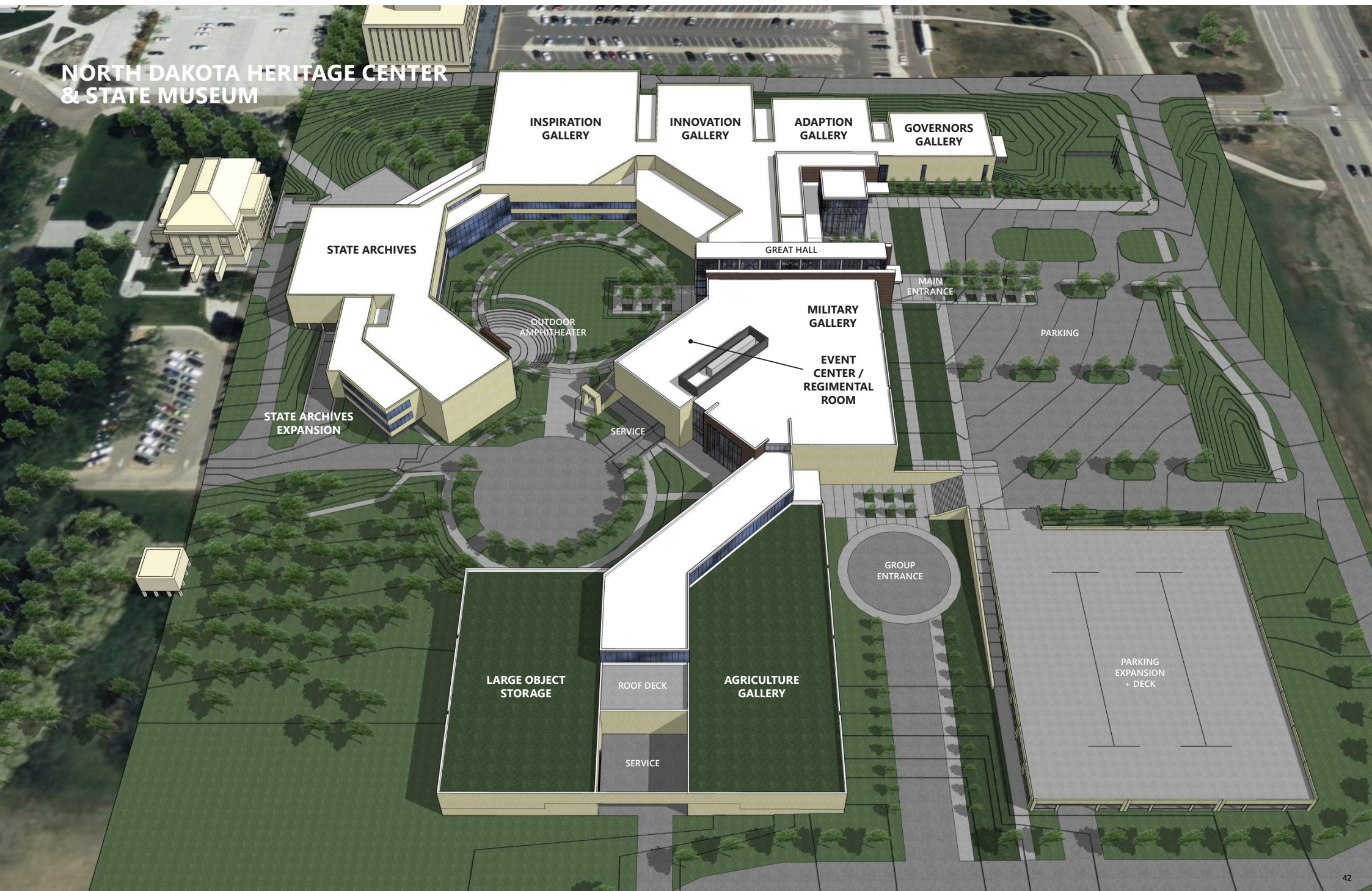
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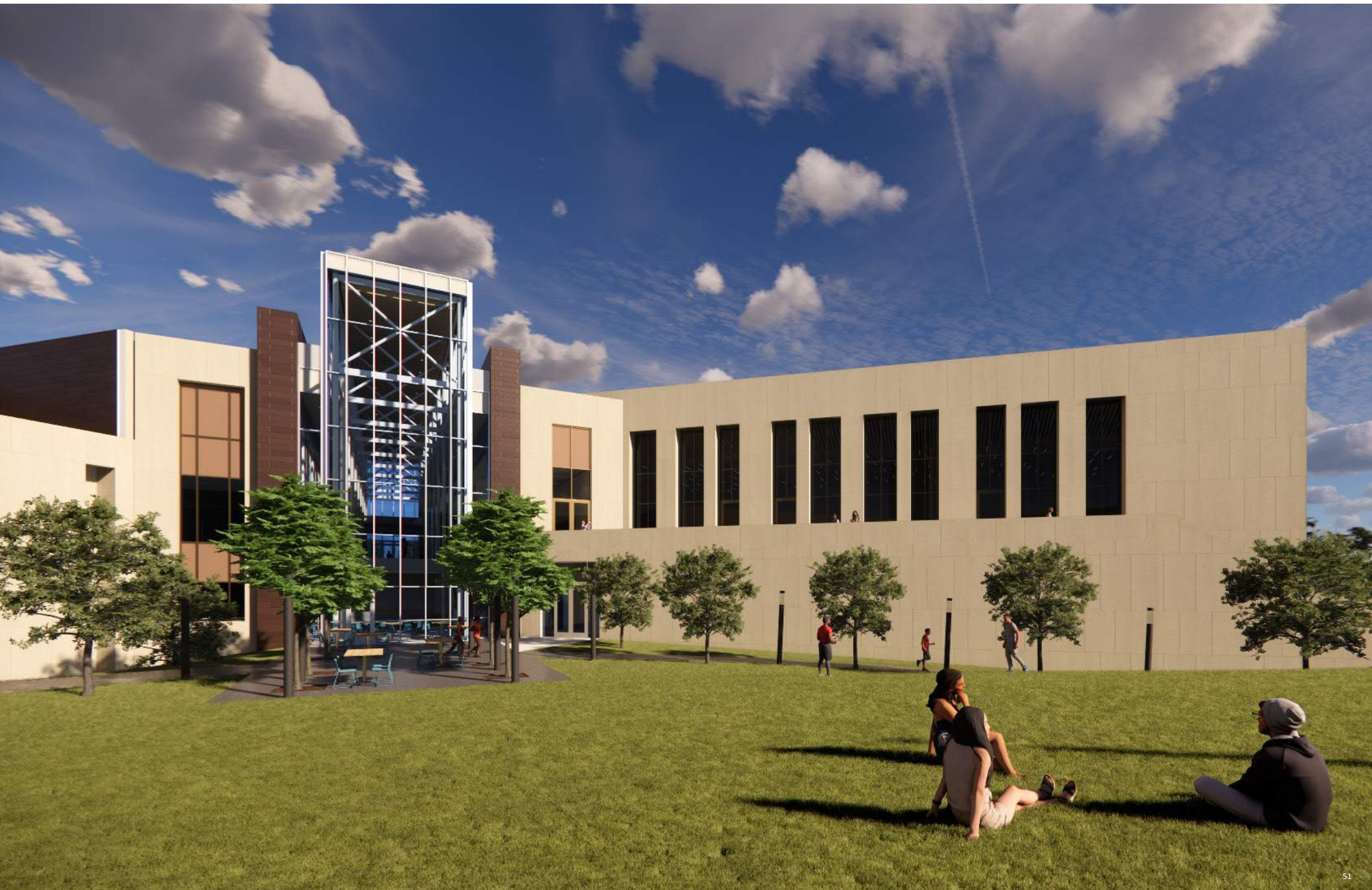






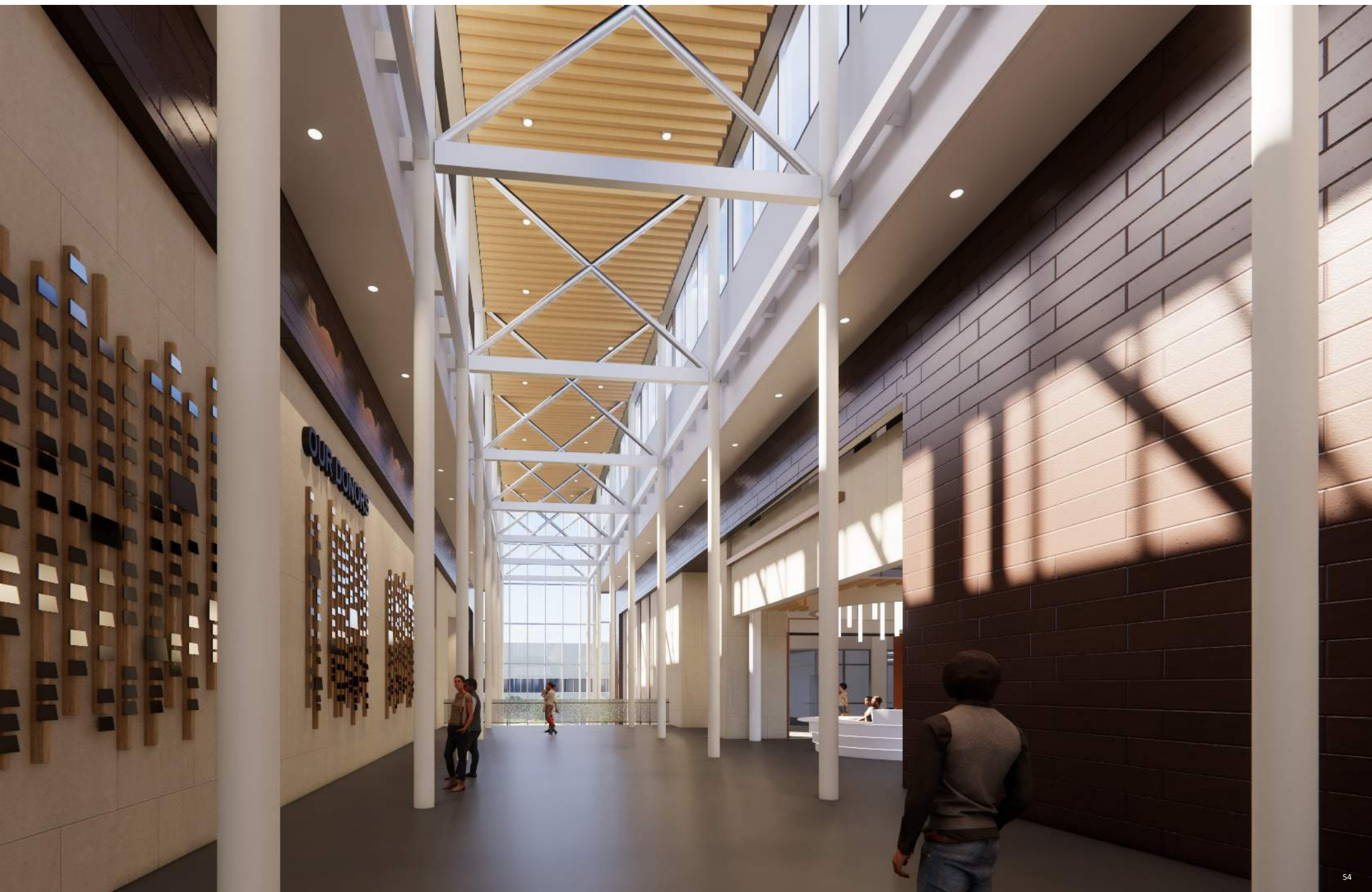












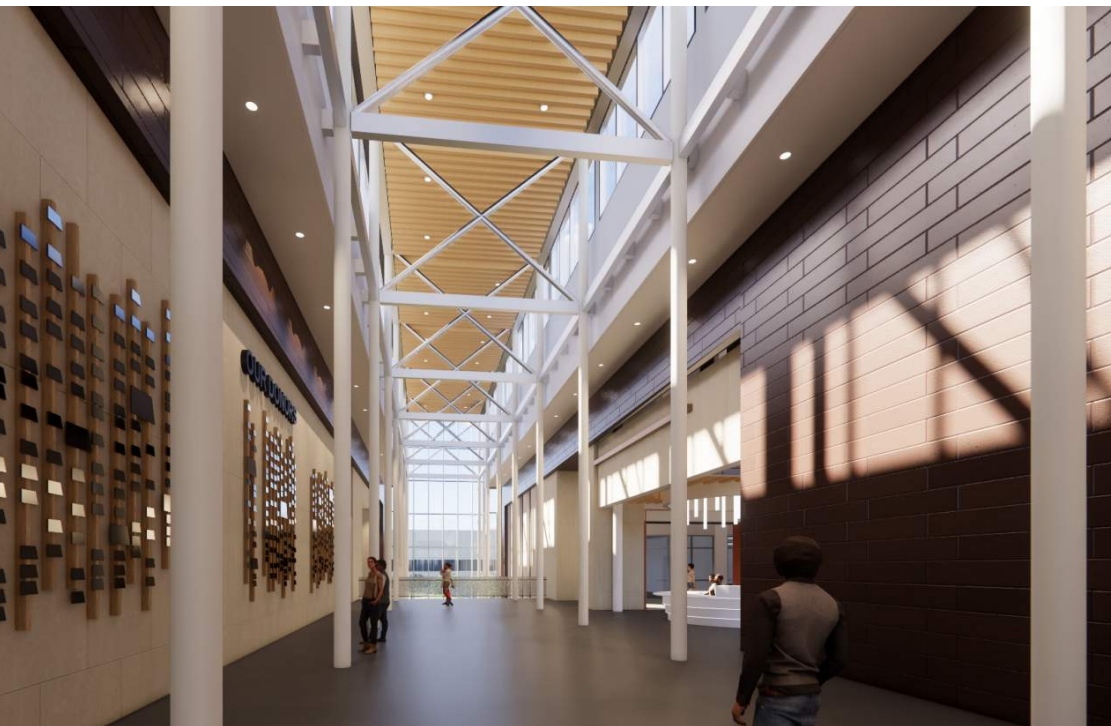














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CHATEAU DE MORÈS STATE HISTORIC SITE



Ten-Year Strategic Plan

For The Chateau de Morès State Historic Site

July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2034



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In 2023, the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) initiated a comprehensive strategic planning process for the Chateau de Morès State Historic Site. This plan is designed to guide the site's development from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2034, aligning with SHSND's mission to identify, preserve, interpret, and promote North Dakota's heritage.

The primary goals of this plan are to expand services and attractions, increase visitation, ensure sustainability and responsible use, enhance community engagement, and secure financial viability.

DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

The strategic plan was developed with the help of Odney, Inc., Dakota Strategies, LLC, and Klipfel Consulting, who were instrumental in gathering extensive input from a diverse group of stakeholders.

This process included:

- **Strategy Development Group (SDG):** The SDG was asked to collaborate and make recommendations to the SHSND Leadership Team on the strategic plan. It consisted of sixteen members representing the Governor's Office, Legislature, Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library, Theodore Roosevelt National Park, Medora Foundation, Dickinson CVB, Indian Affairs, SHSND Foundation, ND Tourism, and SHSND. The SDG met five times from January 1, 2024, through May 31, 2024.
- **Surveys:** An online survey was conducted from January 16, 2024, through February 5, 2024, with 618 participants providing valuable insights. A Mailchimp scoring survey was conducted in May 2024.
- **Interviews:** Personal interviews were conducted from January 1, 2024, through April 29, 2024, with a total of 39 interviews completed.
- **Focus Groups:** Four focus groups were conducted from January 1, 2024, through May 31, 2024, to gather in-depth feedback and suggestions.

The process included identifying and analyzing strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT). The results of this SWOT analysis are attached as APPENDIX A. The SHSND weaknesses can easily be overcome by the strengths. All the opportunities can be pursued as strategic initiatives.

The process also helped generate the "big ideas" that have been incorporated into this strategic plan.

These efforts ensured that the strategic plan reflects the views and needs of key stakeholders, including the SHSND Executive Team, Chateau de Morès State Historic Site team members, other SHSND members, the State Historical Society of North Dakota Foundation, the State Historical Board, the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library Foundation, the Medora Area Convention & Visitors Bureaus (CVB), the Governor's Office, Billings County leaders, City of Medora leaders, and other community stakeholders.

KEY OBJECTIVES AND GOALS

The strategic plan outlines specific objectives, goals, and tactics, guided by SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound) criteria.

Key objectives include:

1. **Expand Services and Attractions:** Identify innovative programs and attractions to enhance the visitor experience, including the development of year-round programming, recreation of the historic packing plant with tourist amenities, and a new interpretive gallery focused on hunting and wildlife.

2. **Increase Visitation:** Develop strategies to increase the number of Chateau visitors from 15,000 per year to 100,000 per year, leveraging the anticipated increase in regional tourism due to the opening of the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library in 2026.
3. **Educational Impact:** Enable 25,000 students per year to participate in programs and tours at the Chateau, Packing Plant, and/or Memorial Park.
4. **Sustainability and Responsible Use:** Ensure the sustainable use of the sites, balancing preservation of exhibits and artifacts with visitor engagement, and carefully designing restorations and enhancements, including installing heating, air and humidity control, and improved accessibility within historic preservation standards in the Chateau, and developing river access for recreational activities while mitigating disruption to the environment.
5. **Partnership and Community Engagement:** Enhance partnerships with federal, state, local and private partners in conjunction with community outreach to integrate the site more deeply with local, state, and federal infrastructure, and promote tourism through mutual efforts.
6. **Financial Viability:** Propose revenue-generating opportunities to support site maintenance and program expansion, including mixed-use amenities at Chimney Park.

IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING

The strategic plan includes a detailed implementation and timeline section, beginning with the first leadership meeting in July 2024. Key steps include:

- **Assignment of Responsibilities:** Specific individuals or teams will be assigned to implement and monitor the goals and tactics.
- **Communication:** Regular communication of key components of the strategic plan to all relevant team members.
- **Ongoing Review:** Daily focus on goals, quarterly reviews and evaluations, and annual external surveys to gather feedback and compare metrics.

MEASURING SUCCESS

Success will be measured through quarterly internal scoring, simplified surveys of stakeholders, and tracking the amount of funding committed to development and the number of projects funded.

ALIGNMENT WITH GOVERNOR DOUG BURGUM'S STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

The strategic plan supports Governor Doug Burgum's strategic initiatives, including the Main Street Initiative, Tribal Engagement, Reinventing Government, Behavioral Health and Addiction, and Transforming Education. These alignments ensure that the plan not only meets the goals of SHSND but also supports broader state initiatives.

This comprehensive strategic plan, with its clear objectives, goals, and tactics, positions the Chateau de Morès State Historic Site for significant growth and development over the next decade. By obtaining legislative support and engaging with stakeholders, focusing on sustainability, and leveraging opportunities for increased tourism and community engagement, SHSND aims to transform the site into a premier, year-round destination that offers immersive historical experiences and serves as a vibrant hub for cultural and educational activities in North Dakota.



1-3 Launch new programming and tools for self-guided tours.

3-1 Extend walking, hiking, and biking trails along the Little Missouri River

3-2 Include historical and digital information stations along trails.

1-1 Complete the interior and exterior improvements of the Chateau

1-4 Expand the Interpretive Center to include food service options and an additional exhibition gallery interpreting the history of hunting and conservation.

3-3 Establish Little Missouri River access opportunities on the de Mores properties.

4-1 Increase use of De Mores Memorial Park

2-1 Recreate the historic packing plant into a mixed-use facility and expand outdoor amenities with consideration of state and national cultural resource laws.

3-4 Replicate the Chateau Caretaker's Cottage, built by the CCC in the late 1930s, for small scale lodging by October 2029.

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
95	\$1,120,000.00	Fort Totten	Gymnasium Restoration -Phase 2
90	\$26,432.00	Camp Hancock	Museum - Air Conditioning in Upper Level Air Conditioning in Upper Level
90	\$9,912.00	Camp Hancock	Museum - Lawn Irrigation System Lawn Irrigation System
90	\$207,200.00	Double Ditch Indian Village	Site Public Rest Room
90	\$6,608.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Window Sealing
90	\$30,397.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Wood Fence Replacement
90	\$6,608.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion & Carriage House Energy Efficiency Improvements
90	\$10,000.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Small porch roof over NE window with saging and warping.
90	\$10,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Shingles on large shed, near the ridge line need repair
90	\$4,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Flag pole in flag mall area replaced
90	\$52,864.00	Fort Rice	Shelter Foundation Repairs
90	\$13,216.00	Fort Rice	Shelter Roof Replacement
90	\$3,920.00	Fort Totten	Admin Building -water filtration system
90	\$13,216.00	Fort Totten	All Buildings Re-Key
90	\$350,224.00	Fort Totten	Chaplain & Surgeon Quarter's Restore Interior
90	\$10,000.00	Fort Totten	Parking lot Cameras
90	\$7,000.00	Fort Totten	Security Cameras
90	\$25,000.00	Fort Totten	Admin Building -water into building
90	\$7,500.00	Fort Totten	Replace lights in the office and visitors
90	\$4,000.00	Fort Totten	Site Flag Pole
90	\$10,000.00	Fort Totten	Fire Detection/Alarm replacement / upgrade to the Inn
90	\$50,000.00	Fort Totten	Girls Dorm - Repair or replace the windows in the girls dorm
90	\$207,200.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Public Restroom
90	\$13,216.00	Huff Indian Village	Huff - Kiosk Roof Replacement
90	\$105,728.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Drainage Improvements
90	\$99,120.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Re-chink logs
90	\$266,291.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Repair/Replace Gate & Logs
90	\$231,280.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Replace Roof
90	\$16,520.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Upgrade Electrical
90	\$33,040.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Fort Drainage Improvement Design
90	\$19,824.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Site Remove Roadbuilding Waste @ Park
90	\$369,040.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Site River Bank Stabilization
90	\$15,859.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Replace Carpet in Lodge Classroom
90	\$15,859.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitors Center Replace Heat Pump
90	\$19,824.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Improve Roof Ventilation

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
90	\$63,437.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Insulate Roof in Fort Clark Gallery
90	\$26,432.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Interior Repairs
90	\$132,160.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Interpretive Railing System
90	\$62,776.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore/Replace Wallpaper - Phase 1
90	\$55,000.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Need repair of Path to Outbuildings
90	\$10,000.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Shop - Artisian well pump pipe leak
90	\$20,000.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Exterior Doors in Private Quarters need repair
90	\$24,696.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Chimney Park Bridge to the National Park
90	\$16,520.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Caretaker's Cottage/Maintenance Shop Restore Existing Path and Add Gravel
90	\$59,472.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Shade Structure for Patio
90	\$1,680.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Tint store windows & back door
90	\$19,824.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Create Small Campsite/Pad
90	\$89,208.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site EV Charging Station
90	\$244,496.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail Design
90	\$596,623.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail in the River Bottom - Phase 1
90	\$198,240.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Public Rest Room
90	\$59,472.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Repair Path to the Outbuildings
90	\$60,000.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Replace 4 Heat Pumps
90	\$175,437.00	Pembina State Museum	Exterior Cleaning and Painting
90	\$66,080.00	Pembina State Museum	Exterior Signage
90	\$125,000.00	Pembina State Museum	elevator replacement
90	\$55,000.00	Pembina State Museum	Fresh Air/Exhaust Improvement
90	\$35,000.00	RRMMS - November 33 (Launch Facility)	Three-point gravel turnaround for larger vehicles
90	\$8,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Launch Control Replace fluorescent w/LED
90	\$5,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Site Energy Audit - Ventilation
90	\$3,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Ceiling Tile Water Damage
90	\$196,045.00	Storage East	Parking Lot Resurfacing
90	\$10,000.00	Storage East	Labor for moving items in building
90	\$20,000.00	Storage East	Replace Emergency Stairs
90	\$12,000.00	Storage East	Gutters and downspouts
90	\$19,824.00	Welk Homestead	Site Picket fence
90	\$560,000.00	Welk Homestead	Barn New barn, phase 1
90	\$13,216.00	Whitestone Hill	Monument Clean Bugler
90	\$19,824.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Repair/Replace Footbridge
90	\$19,824.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Replace Cemetary Fence

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
90	\$37,005.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Restore WPA Stone Path
90	\$6,608.00	Whitestone Hill	Well House Replace Roof
85	\$62,776.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore/Replace Wallpaper - Phase 2
2025-2027 Request	\$6,580,573.00		
80	\$74,010.00	Camp Hancock	Museum - Penthouse Observation Platform Penthouse Observation Platform
80	\$16,800.00	Camp Hancock	Train Clean and pigeon proof the train
80	\$198,240.00	Double Ditch Indian Village	Site Entry & Parking Lot Improvements
80	\$62,776.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Wall Papr Replacement - Phase 2
80	\$7,930.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Site Lawn Irrigation System
80	\$185,000.00	Fort Clark	Site Public Restroom & Water Shutoff
80	\$45,595.00	Fort Totten	Adjutant's Office Exterior Painting
80	\$199,826.00	Fort Totten	Boys Dorm Restore Shower Room Interior
80	\$50,221.00	Fort Totten	Chaplain & Surgeon's Quarters Exterior Painting
80	\$166,522.00	Fort Totten	Commanding Officer's Qtrs Upper Level Restore Interior
80	\$50,882.00	Fort Totten	Commanding Officer's Quarters Exterior Painting
80	\$80,618.00	Fort Totten	Girl's Dorm Exterior Painting
80	\$369,916.00	Fort Totten	Girl's Dorm Upper Level Restore Interior
80	\$158,592.00	Fort Totten	Hospital, Boy's Dorm, Little Theater Architect
80	\$45,595.00	Fort Totten	Print Shop Exterior Painting
80	\$188,989.00	Fort Totten	Print Shop Upper Level Restore Interior
80	\$193,350.00	Fort Totten	Sewing/Tailor Shop Upper Level Restore Interior
80	\$44,934.00	Fort Totten	Tailor Shop Exterior Painting
80	\$69,384.00	Fort Totten	Visitor Center Exterior Painting
80	\$20,000.00	Fort Totten	Doors on Quartermaster
80	\$19,824.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Exterior Lighting
80	\$50,400.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Fence 12.82 acres of property
80	\$280,000.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Interpretive trail on 12.82 acres of property
80	\$28,000.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site Tallgrass prairie restoration on 12.82 acres
80	\$19,824.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Improve Acoustics in Play Space
80	\$13,216.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Refinish Flooring/Cleaning
80	\$34,328.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Re-roof
80	\$112,336.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Carriage House Interpretive Railing System

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
80	\$13,216.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Carriage House Repair/Replace Floor
80	\$19,163.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Paint Roof
80	\$5,947.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Replace Rain Gutter System
80	\$9,912.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Replace Shutters
80	\$42,291.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore Floor and Replace Carpet Runner
80	\$23,789.00	Medora - de Mores Memorial Park	DeMores Park Landscaping
80	\$16,520.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Chimney Park Upgrade Electrical System
80	\$33,600.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Gravel border around boulders in Chimney Park
80	\$31,718.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Landscaping
80	\$3,304.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Shed Add Rain Gutter System
80	\$596,623.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail in the River Bottom - Phase 2
80	\$6,608.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Interpretive Signage
80	\$165,200.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Parking Lot Repairs/Resurface - Interpretive Center
80	\$46,256.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Parking Lot Repairs/Resurface - Chateau Parking Lot
80	\$21,773.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Water Line Trenched to Outbuildings
80	\$45,584.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Stable Interior Restoration
80	\$207,200.00	Menoken Indian Village Site	Menoken - Site Public Restroom
80	\$52,864.00	Molander Indian Village	Molander Indian Village - Site Cattle Guard @ New Entrance
80	\$35,000.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Barracks Replace Interior Beams
80	\$39,200.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Convert boardwalks to landscaped path
80	\$645,866.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Resurface existing path at MYCIC
80	\$165,200.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Site ParkingLot Repairs/Resurface
80	\$387,281.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Add additional walking paths at MYCIC
80	\$105,728.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	Site Walking Path Design (MYCIC & Fort Buford)
80	\$18,000.00	MYCIC -Interpretive Center	MYCIC Conference room renovation
80	\$89,208.00	Pembina State Museum	EV Charging Station
80	\$30,397.00	Pembina State Museum	Landscaping
80	\$79,296.00	Pembina State Museum	Outdoor Event Space & Picnic Shelter
80	\$112,336.00	Pembina State Museum	Playground Equipment
80	\$28,000.00	Pembina State Museum	backup generator
80	\$89,208.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Site EV Charging Station
80	\$145,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Site New Parking Lot
80	\$75,040.00	Welk Homestead	House, summer kitchen, blacksmith shop, granary/buggy house Reshingle (cedar shakes)
80	\$13,216.00	Welk Homestead	Site Dock
80	\$114,318.00	Welk Homestead	Site Exterior Event Space

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
80	\$19,824.00	Welk Homestead	Site Shelter Belt Restoration
80	\$13,216.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Dock
80	\$112,336.00	Whitestone Hill	Site Replace Playground Equipment
80	\$26,432.00	Writing Rock	Picnic Shelter Repair to Roof Trusses & Sheathing
80	\$15,000.00	Writing Rock	Shed Replace
80	\$45,000.00	Writing Rock	Site Water Pump
2027-2029 Request	\$6,532,778.00		
70	\$33,600.00	Camp Hancock	Grounds rebuild Gazebo that was located on site
70	\$37,666.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Carriage House Exterior Painting
70	\$23,789.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Carriage House Interior Painting
70	\$92,512.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Basement Restoration
70	\$19,824.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Floor Refinishing
70	\$62,776.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Wall Paper Replacement - Phase 3
70	\$89,208.00	Fort Abercrombie	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$100,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Corner post replacement of ghosted areas on grounds
70	\$89,208.00	Fort Clark	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$70,045.00	Fort Totten	Boy's Dorm Exterior Painting
70	\$594,720.00	Fort Totten	Boys Dorm Upper Level Restore Interior
70	\$174,451.00	Fort Totten	Chaplain & Surgeon's Qtrs Upper Level Restore Interior
70	\$58,811.00	Fort Totten	Hospital Exterior Painting
70	\$504,851.00	Fort Totten	Hospital Upper Level Restore Interior
70	\$64,758.00	Fort Totten	Little Theater Exterior Painting
70	\$479,741.00	Fort Totten	Little Theater Upper Level Restore Interior
70	\$37,666.00	Fort Totten	Quartermaster's Building Exterior Painting
70	\$31,718.00	Fort Totten	Shop Exterior Painting
70	\$60,794.00	Fort Totten	Totten Trail Inn Exterior Painting
70	\$169,000.00	Fort Totten	Surgeons Quarters - Restore the interior
70	\$79,650.00	Fort Totten	EV Charger
70	\$100,000.00	Fort Totten	VC Climate Control
70	\$60,000.00	Fort Totten	Adjuncts Exterior
70	\$79,650.00	Fort Totten	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$15,859.00	Gingras Trading Post	House Paint Interior

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
70	\$89,208.00	Gingras Trading Post	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$44,800.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Replace Front Entry Doors
70	\$9,912.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Upgrade Electrical Controls
70	\$23,600.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Replace/Upgrade Fire Alarm System
70	\$62,776.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore/Replace Wallpaper - Phase 3
70	\$46,256.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Chimney Park Build a Structure for Interpretation
70	\$11,234.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Garage/Maintenance Shop Replace Overhead Doors
70	\$596,623.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail in the River Bottom - Phase 3
70	\$15,859.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Reconstruct Greenhouses
70	\$23,789.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Repair erosion issue @ Ravine
70	\$19,824.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Restore/Replace Site Bridge
70	\$16,520.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Repair/Replace Fence by Outbuildings
70	\$44,934.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Barracks Exterior Painting
70	\$50,221.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Field Officer's Quarters Exterior Painting
70	\$15,859.00	MYCIC - Fort Buford	Officer of the Guard Exterior Painting
70	\$10,573.00	MYCIC - Interpretive Center	Retaining Wall Repair
70	\$37,005.00	MYCIC - Interpretive Center	Tuckpointing
70	\$89,208.00	MYCIC - Interpretive Center	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$6,000.00	MYCIC - Interpretive Center	MYCIC Re-seeding natural grasses
70	\$3,000.00	MYCIC - Interpretive Center	MYCIC Plant Trees
70	\$38,000.00	MYCIC - Interpretive Center	MYCIC Chain Link Fence around shop
70	\$1,500,000.00	Pembina State Museum	Solar Panels
70	\$43,120.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Site Repair/Replace Exterior Lighting
70	\$12,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Launch Control Replace Carpet
70	\$10,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	Oscar - facility LCC Status console lights
70	\$89,208.00	Welk Homestead	Site EV Charging Station
70	\$13,216.00	Welk Homestead	Site Exterior Lighting
2029-2031 Request	\$6,053,042.00		
65	\$62,776.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Mansion Wall Papr Replacement - Phase 4
65	\$62,776.00	Medora - Chateau de Mores	Chateau Restore/Replace Wallpaper - Phase 4
60	\$50,221.00	Camp Hancock	Bread of Life Church-Paint Exterior Paint Exterior
60	\$60,794.00	Camp Hancock	Museum - Paint Exterior Paint Exterior

Priority (High to Low)	Estimated Budget	Property Name	Project
60	\$500,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Redesign/ Repair Stockade
60	\$150,000.00	Fort Abercrombie	Interpretive Center Connect to City Sewer
60	\$6,608.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Visitor Center Upgrade Electrical Controls
60	\$45,000.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Maintenance Building Floor Drains and Running Water
60	\$63,437.00	Medora - de Mores Packing Plant	Chimney Park Update and Add Picnic Shelters
60	\$596,623.00	Medora - Interpretive Center	Site Hiking Trail in the River Bottom - Phase 4
50	\$5,000,000.00	RRMMS - Oscar-Zero Missile Alert Facility	New Interpretive Center
40	\$39,200.00	Camp Hancock	Electrical outlets in Bread of Life Church
40	\$168,000.00	Camp Hancock	Heat and AC in Bread of life Church
40	\$59,472.00	Former Governors' Mansion	Carriage House Re-Shingle
40	\$3,000,000.00	LCIC - Interpretive Center	Interpretive Center Museum cafe for roadside service
30	\$50,400.00	Fort Totten	Visitors Center HVAC installed in building
30	\$0.00	LCIC - Fort Mandan	Heat in Fort Mandan

2031-2033

Request \$9,915,307.00

Overall

Total \$29,081,700.00

Transit/Trolley System

A potential transit system was discussed and commented on at length through the development of this study. As shown in Figure 36 below a transit route plan could include connecting the downtown area to other venues such as the Library and Amphitheater. This routing would run on 15-minute headways and focus on serving the tourist interests during the summer season only. This system would need to be owned, operated, and maintained by a transit provider or local interests. Area service providers expressed interest in this possibility after initial contact was made by the NDDOT as part of this study. Similar transit systems in other North Dakota communities have proven successful in promoting community accessibility and cohesion. Examples of the size/type of trolley vehicles that could be employed are shown below in Figure 37. These vehicles could provide for open air, hop on/off type function as well as disabled patron facilities. They could also be painted and themed on the exterior to blend into the western/historic motif in Medora, which was commented on as important to the public.

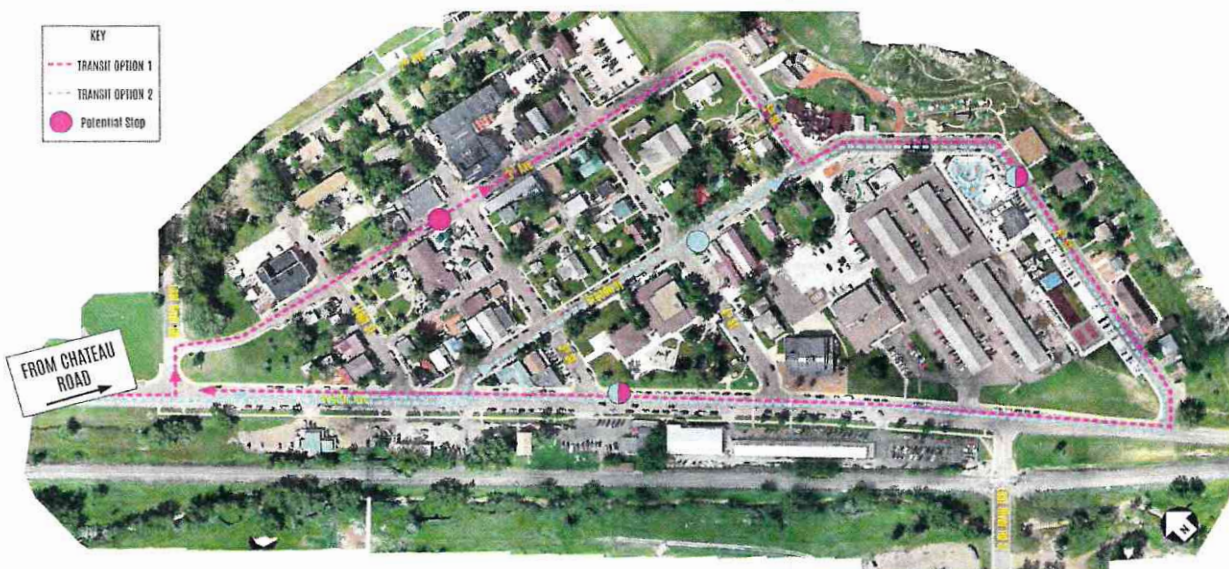


Figure 36: Potential transit routing in the downtown area

As part of the final public input meeting a second route option that would expand service to the south of the downtown area was also discussed. This option and the related stop locations was not drawn or illustrated. This option would require additional stops and extend headways beyond the 15-minute planned for the downtown only route.



Figure 37: Potential Trolley Vehicle/Style

Public Input and Preferences

Figure 38 below shows stakeholder preferences, based upon comment forms in Public Input Meeting #2 on October 2, 2022. The completed PI Report is included in Appendix F.

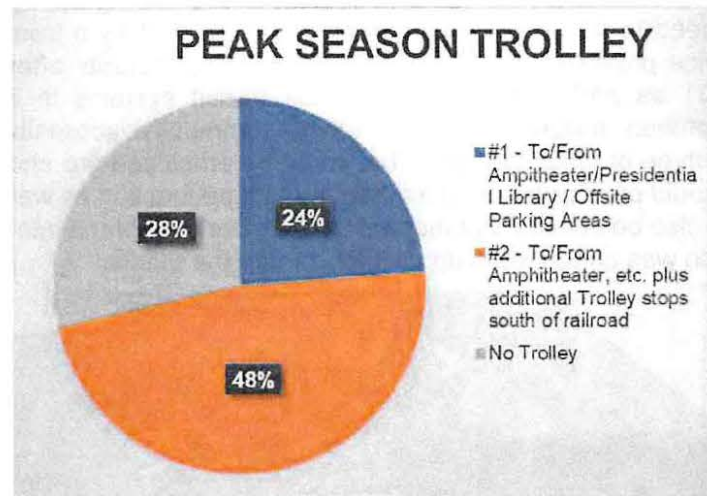


Figure 38: PI Meeting #2, Potential Trolley Service (Peak Season) Comment Breakdown

E. Comparison of Concepts

The following information in Table 13 details the advantages and disadvantages of each concept evaluated for Pacific Avenue.

Table 13: Comparison of Alternatives – Pacific Avenue Improvements

Alternatives	Advantages	Disadvantages
Concept 1 – Roundabouts and 2 Lanes, Bulbouts, Raised Median with Flex Trolley Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced downtown accessibility and efficiency Raised median with pedestrian cut-throughs allows for safer/shorter crossings Provides dedicated travel lane for trolley traffic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removal of on-street parking during peak season Increased construction cost
Concept 2 – Roundabouts with 3 lanes, Bulb-Outs and Sharrows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilizes existing roadway features Less impact to existing on-street parking Lower construction cost 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does not meet LOS standards without a future raised median Limited improvements for pedestrians Travel lanes to be shared by vehicular, bicycle, and trolley traffic No aesthetic improvements for roadway

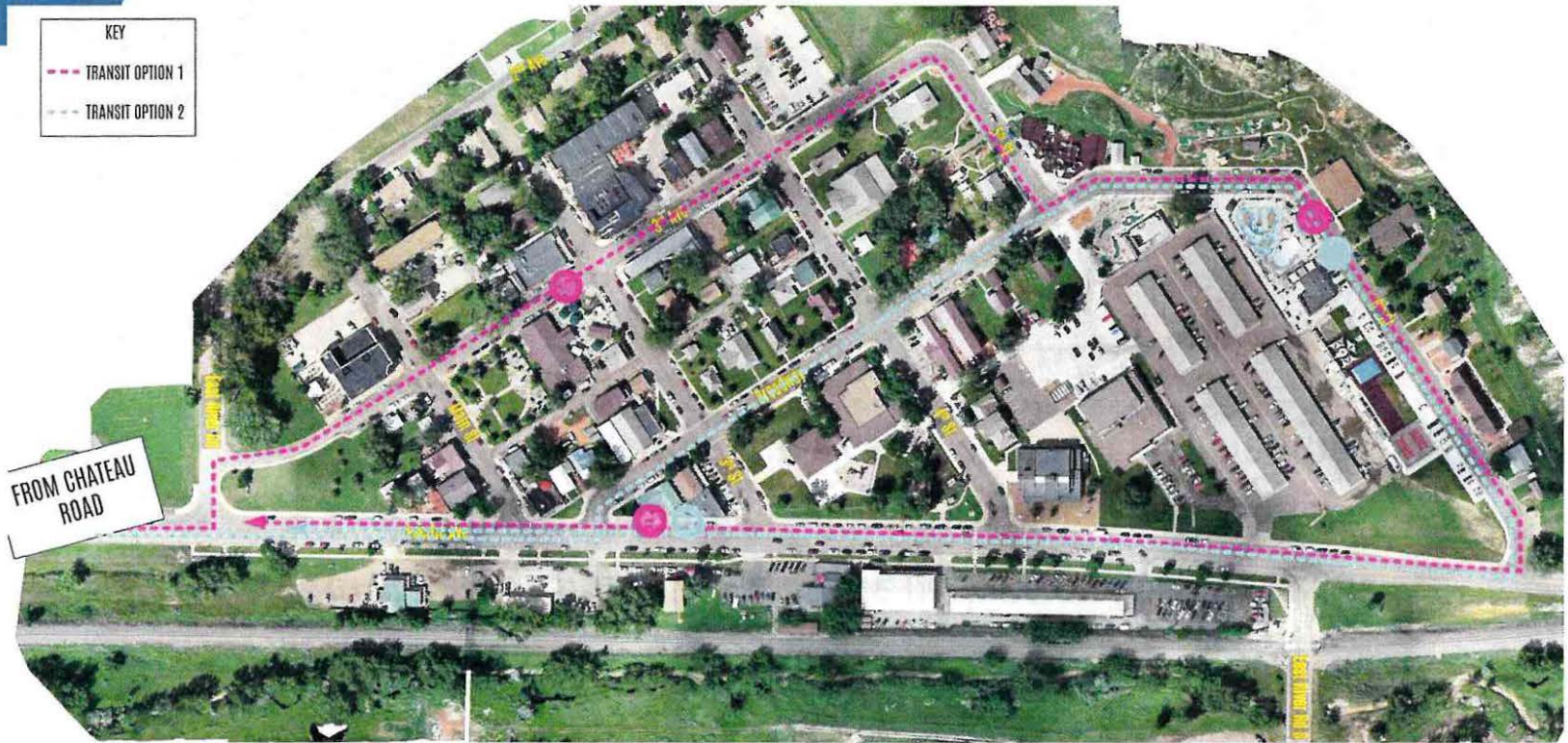
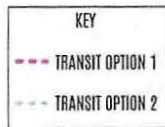
TRANSIT/TROLLEY FEASIBILITY MEDORA

Dedicated Lane versus In-lane

- In-lane transit retains existing parking on Pacific Avenue
- Anticipated 15 minute headway/intervals are feasible.
 - Based upon time trials completed last summer the week of July 4th.



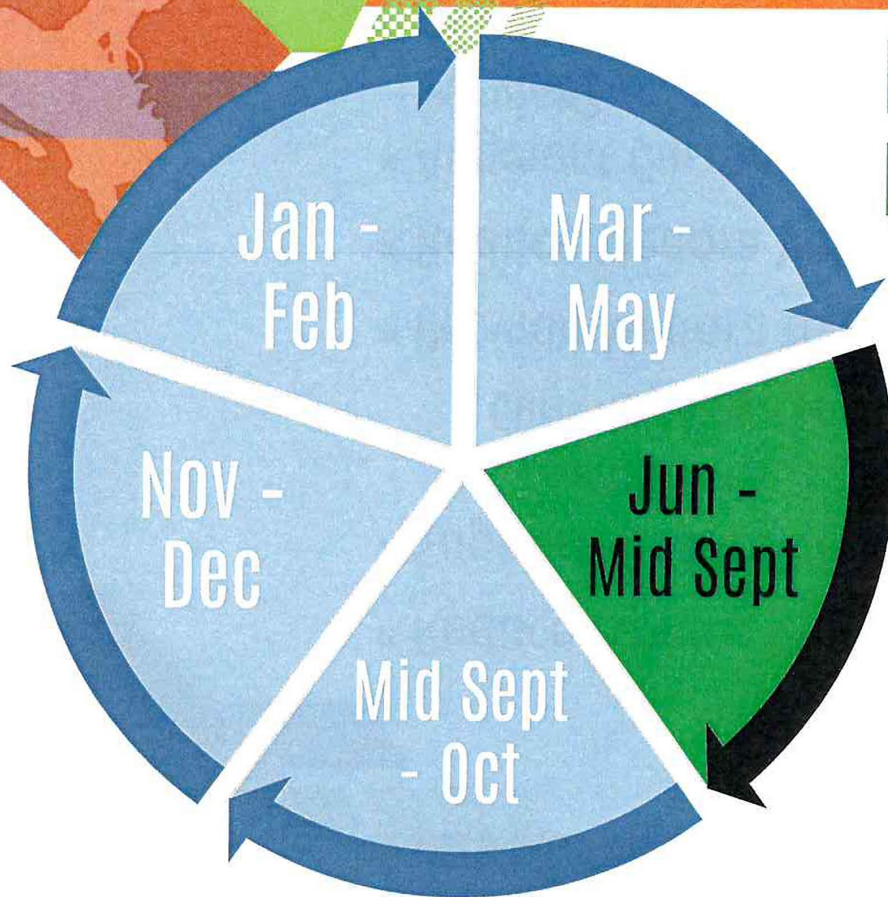
CONCEPT - TRANSIT ROUTE MAP MEDORA



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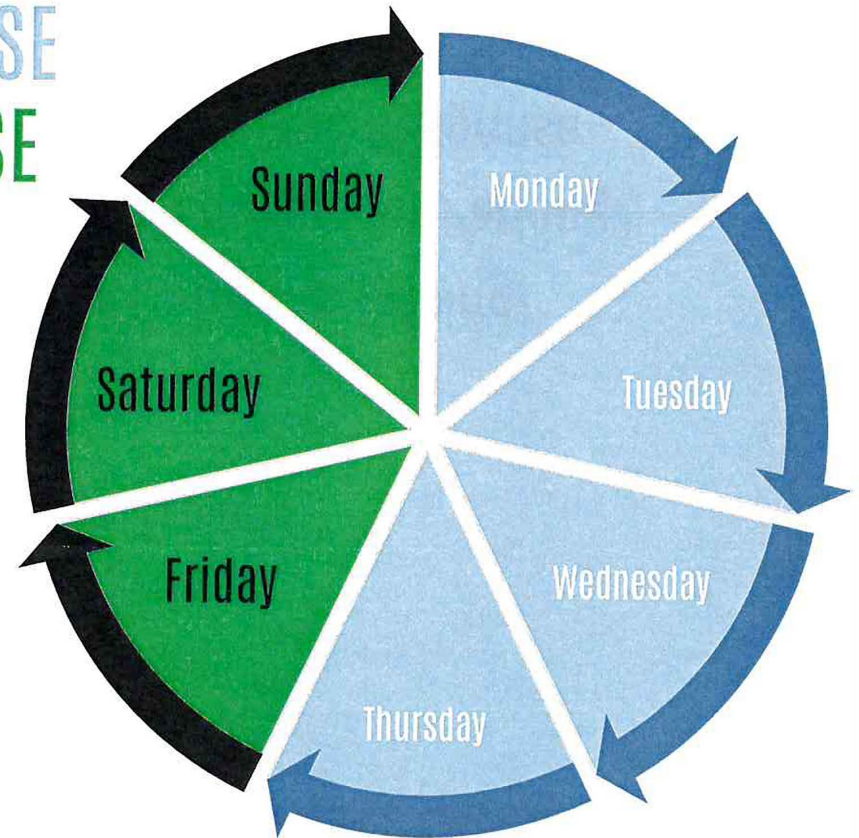


POTENTIAL TROLLEY OPERATIONAL TIMING



Limit to Summer Season?

NO USE
IN USE



Limit Days?



UNDERLYING PURPOSE OF SERVICE?

- Reduce Parking Congestion?
- Support Medora Venue-to-Venue Travel?
 - Currently Walk Trips
 - Currently Drive Trips
- Provide Medora to Amphitheater Option to Driving?
- Reduce Medora Vehicle Circulation Looking for Parking?
- Augment Current Limited Resident Demand Response Service?

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WALK TIMES BETWEEN VENUES MEDORA

Start	End	Distance	Time
1	5	0.4 mi	8 min
3	6	0.3 mi	5 min
4	7	0.3 mi	6 min
2	1	0.1 mi	3 min
1	8	0.1 mi	3 min
1	9	0.2 mi	4 min



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OPERATING ALTERNATIVES

MEDORA

- Options:

- Local: Either Public or Private Non-Profit
- “Public” Transit: Including Funding from NDDOT/FTA

- Considerations:

- Each Needs a Champion – Is there One?
- If FTA Funding: ADA Vehicle and Stop Requirements Expand
- If FTA Funding: Fixed Route Service Requires Complementary Paratransit with $\frac{3}{4}$ Mile Service Area around Route



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OPERATING ALTERNATIVES

MEDORA

- Options:
 - Local: Either Public or Private Non-Profit
 - “Public” Transit: Including Funding from NDDOT/FTA
- Considerations:
 - FTA Funding is through Formula – Adding New Provider does not Necessarily Bring More Funding to State – Slice Pie Thinner
 - Is there a NON-RECREATION Travel Need Not being Met?

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SERVICE COSTS

MEDORA

- Seasonal Operations Influences Cost:
 - Mobilization
 - Vehicle Utilization in Off Months
 - Driver Availability
 - Service and Storage Availability
- Turnkey Seasonal Operator:
 - \$120/Hour/Per Vehicle
 - 2 Vehicles in Service
 - 10 Hours/Day
 - 6 Days a Week
 - 100 Day a Season
 - \$240-\$250,000 for Season

Is there Potential for
Funding Support from
Non-DOT State
Departments:

- Tourism
- Economic
Development

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VEHICLE OPTIONS COMPARISON

Customized 15-Passenger Van

Capital Cost	→	\$75-85,000
Useful Life	→	7 Years
CDL Required	→	NO
Capacity	→	Up to 15 Pass.

Customized Med/Heavy Duty Bus

\$300 to \$450,000
12-14 Years
YES
30-35 Pass.

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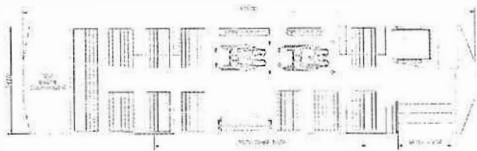
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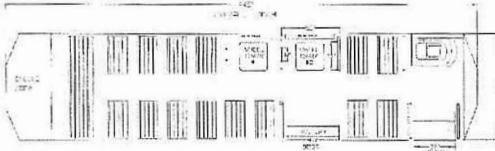
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228 WHEELBASE 32-40 PASS.



ADA



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30'

35'

40'

GVWR	29,000	32,000	32,000
Body Width	99"	99"	99"
Body Height	136" +/-	136" +/-	136" +/-
Int. Height	80.5	80.5	80.5
Wheelbase	160"	208"	228"
Approach Angle	90°	90°	90°
Breakover Angle	15.6°	15.6°	15.6°
Departure Angle	10.1°	10.1°	10.1°
Step Height	14"	14"	14"
Step Height Rear	14.5"	14.5"	14.5"
ADA Location	Mid/Rear/Entrance	Mid/Rear/Entrance	Mid/Rear/Entrance
Engine	Cummins ISB/L9, Electric	Cummins ISB/L9, Electric	Cummins ISB/L9, Electric
Transmission	Allison B300/B400	Allison B300/B400	Allison B300/B400
Fuel Tank Cap.	90 gal	90 gal	90 gal
Pass. HVAC	Skirt Split/Rear	Skirt Split/Rear	Skirt Split/Rear
Driver HVAC	Dash Mount	Dash Mount	Dash Mount
Front Axle	Solid Beam AAC	Solid Beam AAC	Solid Beam AAC
Brakes	WABCO Air/ABS	WABCO Air/ABS	WABCO Air/ABS
Rear Axle	ARS-20	ARS-20	ARS-20
Tires	255/70R22.5	255/70R22.5	255/70R22.5
Front Door	34" Electric push out	34" Electric push out	34" Electric push out
Rear Door	34" Electric push out	34" Electric push out	34" Electric push out
Seating	26-28 passenger	28-34 passenger	34-40 passenger
Electrical Sys	Standard Relay Logic Hard Wire	Standard Relay Logic Hard Wire	Standard Relay Logic Hard Wire

OPTIONAL UPGRADES

HVAC

- MCC RMA Ducted HVAC

SEATING

- Perimeter, forward or combination
- Complete range of padded/vandal resistant transit seating
- Recaro or USSC driver's seat

WINDOWS, DOORS

- Transit Window
- Vapor Doors
- Wide instep door

PARATRANSIT

- ADA platform w/ dedicated door
- Q Straint positions w/ restraints
- Handi-flip fold out seating
- Lift-U Instep ramp
- Q-Pod

ELECTRICAL

- Fare Box
- Multiplex
- LED destination package
- AVL/GPS system
- 20" DVD monitors

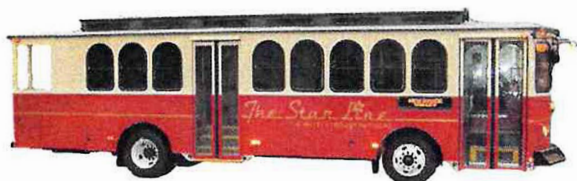
SAFETY

- Fire suppression
- Escape hatch

PAINT & GRAPHICS

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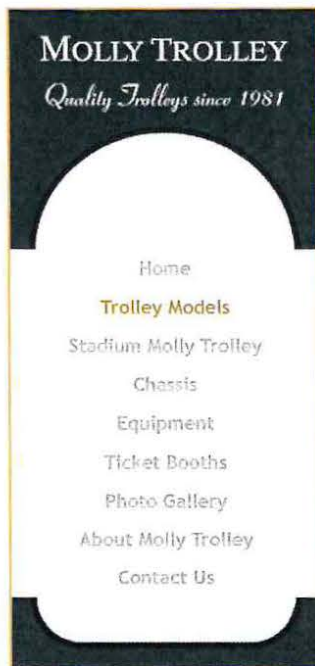
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The fee for the trolley is \$2.00 per person per ride or one (1) token per person per ride.

Tokens are available for purchase at select stops throughout Deadwood including the Welcome Center, 501 Main Street, and the History and Information Center, 3 Siever Street.

Day passes are \$5.00 per person and are available for purchase at the Welcome Center, History and Information Center and City of Deadwood Finance Office.



Trolley Winter Schedule effective September 14th through May 16th:

Sunday thru Thursday: 1st Trolley 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Friday: 1st Trolley 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.
2nd Trolley 1:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.


Saturday: 1st Trolley 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.
2nd Trolley 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Trolley Summer Schedule begins May 17th:

Sunday thru Thursday: 1st Trolley 8:00 a.m. to Midnight
2nd Trolley 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Friday and Saturday: 1st Trolley 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.
2nd Trolley 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.
3rd Trolley 5:20 p.m. to 10:20 p.m.

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Sargent County Historical Society/ Museum



8987 Hwy 32, Forman, ND , on the northside of Forman on highway 32 on the west side of the highway. It is over 36,000 sq. ft. all connected by hallways.

Dark blue building is the building that just was replaced due to the last building sitting there collapsed in the last snowstorm of the season on April 6, 2023.



View from the roof of the first building looking down on to the collapsed building #3 on April 6, 2023.



View inside of the collapsed building.





Community came out to help save the first two buildings by getting all the snow off the roof on the morning of April 6, 2023. The ceiling inside the second building was already leaking and was down about a foot inside. We knew rafters were broken by then.



What it looked like inside before the collapse.

Farm equipment, some Bobcat machines, the cook car and newspaper exhibit.

Gravel floors with wooden sidewalks and well lite metal building.



Prepping the site were building stood. We had to lose the concrete to the one room schoolhouse and log cabin and cut off some of the hallways to put the building back in the same spot.

Expenses for this new building: It is metal 70 ft x 172 ft with 14 ft inside clearance. It is insulated in roof to R-50 and sidewalls insulated. It has 2 overhead doors with openers and 4- 36-inch commercial doors(1 on each side).

Concrete- \$96,0000

Prep site- \$ 17,000 but taking down the old building was done by volunteers.

Dehumidifier in building - \$4210

Foltz Building- \$370,810

Crossroads Electric - \$37,000

DRN/ security in building - \$2300

Seamless gutters back on southeast side to drain water away from septic tank - \$2000

To replace hallways that needed to be rebuilt to match up again-\$7,000

Benches, display cases, 3 Tv's and mounts for them, barrier system and flipbook stands for information, cable system to hang curtains, and STEM/play area. - \$30,000

So far around\$ 560,000 into the building.

Insurance payment around: \$196,000

A survey was done for insurance on 3/16/2021 by Cory Olson from NDIRF (see papers on next page).

What we have left to do:

Heat in new building along with internet and phone system

Concrete to one room school and log cabin from new building

Take snow stops and metal hanging off of building #4 due to storm

New roof panels on building #2 southside/ holes in from saving roof and patched with foam for now

Also need to repair/ replace clear panels that connect bld #1 and #2 which has the hallway that connects the buildings, also need some lights in it

Repay around \$40,000 that had to borrow from fund to get things done

Do large signs and photo signage that was lost in collapse

Need to have videos redone that were lost in collapse on the 3 TV's that were in the building

Some outside drainage needs to happen so do not get water in new building

Also have ruts to fill in front lawn from rebuild

Also have some landscaping to repair in the front from rebuild

We would like to cut down trees on the north side of last building since the engineers say that helped the collapse of the snow due to them being tall.

The parking lot also took a beating from all the construction and work on the building

We would like to reinforce some of the rafters in the other buildings as some broke and were scissored at a cost insurance picked up for only 3 of them that were totally broken.

Not sure of total current cost for the above.

19 – Museum Buildings & Walkway – Hwy 32 East, Forman

○ **Building Property Coverage – \$1,216,900 – Replacement Cost**

○ Year Built – 1998

- Additions 2000, 2002

○ Square footage on file – 35,568

○ ISO Class – 1 – Frame

○ Fire Protection Systems:

- Fire Extinguishers: Yes, last serviced Dec. 2020 by Summit Companies
- Fire Alarms: Yes
- Sprinklered: No

○ Commercial Kitchen Exposure – No

○ Exterior Walls – Steel

○ Roof Material – Steel

○ Number of Stories – 1

○ Updates:

- Roof – Unknown
- Electrical – Unknown
- Heating/Cooling – Unknown
- Plumbing – Unknown

○ **Suggested Insured Value – \$2,388,960 – Replacement Cost**

- Square footage determined on survey – 37,240
- Building 1 and 2 – 13,160 SF at \$112/SF
 - Office area
 - Heated and Insulated
- Building 3 and 4 – 24,080 SF at \$38/SF
 - Ceiling Insulated/no walls insulated
 - No heat

○ **Personal Property Coverage - \$140,270 – Replacement Cost**

○ Review coverage and determine if limit is adequate

- **NOTE:** All artifacts are not covered under this coverage. This was discussed and understood with Pat Olofson, Director. A coverage specific to artifacts would need to be purchased through a different carrier who specializes in this type of coverage



insured: Sargent County
Policy#: FT-1694-03 term is annual starting 7/1 of the year.

I have documentation in our system showing the following
-7/13/2021 cc'd in on email to the County from NDIRF-Corey Olson regarding coverage levels for the buildings when he was out for inspection and what should be increased

-4/8/2022 email to County regarding coverage levels needing to be increased and received a statement back that they would be reviewed

-5/9/2022 Sent email to County regarding the coverage levels again and made a follow up call to make sure email was received was told that changes would not be made on the July 2022 renewal because it was not in the budget but would present to commissioners for July 2023 renewal

-5/24/2022 sent an email to the County showing the difference in valuations and recommended levels and the premium impact.

-5/25/2023 sent another email to County as missed one of the evaluators received acknowledgement that it will be helpful in budget planning.

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County Commissioners decided to not increase insurance, and museum was not notified so they did not know. This made it hard after the collapse since we only got back about 44-46 % of costs due to this. County pays for cost of insurance because they can get it through NDRIF.

Museum is a 501 C3 and gets a ¼ of a mill levy from the county. Which is around \$10,500 - \$11,000 a year. This museum applies for grants and asks for donation to keep staying open.

Check out the FB page Sargent County Museum for more photos and videos.

We have a website: www.sargentcountymuseum.org but we have not updated it yet until we finish off the exhibits for opening in May 2025.

Photos of the inside of the museum:



Small sample of
building #1. It has over
68 ft of Military.





Overhead shot of building #4 the southeast part. Horse Drawn equipment and antique tools with railroad exhibit.

It is unheated with gravel floors and wooden sidewalks.



Bobcat/Melroe memorabilia exhibit area in new building.



Part of new exhibit
area of Bobcats in
new building.



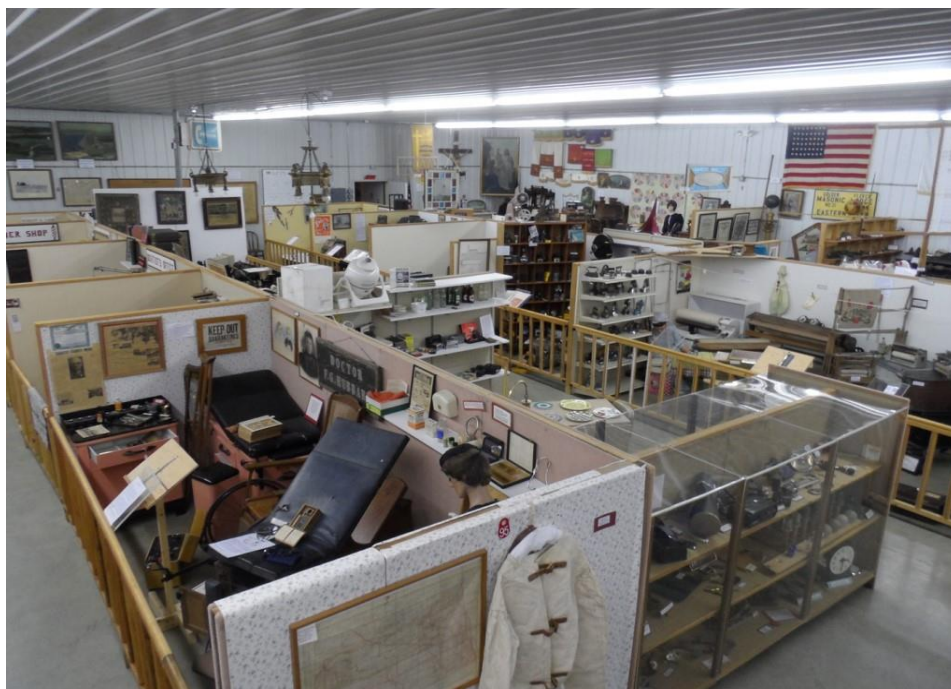
Grand Opening
Event in new
building.



STEM/ Play Area in new building due to a \$5000 Ottertail Foundation grant.



Some displays and exhibits in building #2.



Building #2
overhead shot
of east end.

LED lights,
insulated,
dehumidifier
and heated.

We are handicapped accessibly throughout all the buildings. We do many tours for nursing homes, schools and the ND Veterans Home. We were one place the ND Veterans Home could visit during COVID since we had space and could follow all the protocols at the time.

Pat Olofson, the museum manager, can be reached at email:

sargentcountymuseum@yahoo.com home phone number is 701-678-6847 or cell 701-680-0821.



A 501 (c) (3) public non-profit organization

March 10, 2025

Support Letter
Re: House Bill 1018

Dear Chairman Sorvaag and Members of the Senate Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Committee,

On behalf of the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation (TRMF), I am writing to express our strong support for the \$1 million line item in House Bill 1018 for a Medora transportation improvement grant.

In 2024, stakeholders including the ND Department of Transportation, Billings County, the City of Medora, TRMF, and the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library Foundation completed a comprehensive plan for the Medora area. A potential transit system was discussed, researched, and commented on through the development of the Medora Area Plan. Medora attracts thousands of visitors each year, offering historic charm, cultural attractions, and natural beauty, but transportation challenges limit the ease of movement between key venues such as the downtown area, the Amphitheater, local businesses, and other attractions. With significant growth expected in visitation in the next few years, these challenges will become even greater.

The Medora transportation improvement grant would fund the acquisition of two trolley buses and provide for the seasonal operations of a themed trolley system, designed to blend seamlessly into Medora's Western aesthetic while providing a convenient, ADA-accessible, free transit option for the public. By improving connectivity and reducing vehicular congestion, this project would create a more seamless, accessible, and enjoyable visitor experience, further solidifying Medora's reputation as North Dakota's top tourist destination.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to the opportunity to bring this vision to life.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Clarence Sitter".

Clarence Sitter
Chief Operating Officer
Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation

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The logo features the word "Medora" in a large, elegant, cursive script. Below it, the tagline "EXPLORE IT. ADORE IT." is written in a smaller, all-caps, sans-serif font.

Transit/Trolley System

A potential transit system was discussed and commented on at length through the development of this study. As shown in Figure 36 below a transit route plan could include connecting the downtown area to other venues such as the Library and Amphitheater. This routing would run on 15-minute headways and focus on serving the tourist interests during the summer season only. This system would need to be owned, operated, and maintained by a transit provider or local interests. Area service providers expressed interest in this possibility after initial contact was made by the NDDOT as part of this study. Similar transit systems in other North Dakota communities have proven successful in promoting community accessibility and cohesion. Examples of the size/type of trolley vehicles that could be employed are shown below in Figure 37. These vehicles could provide for open air, hop on/off type function as well as disabled patron facilities. They could also be painted and themed on the exterior to blend into the western/historic motif in Medora, which was commented on as important to the public.

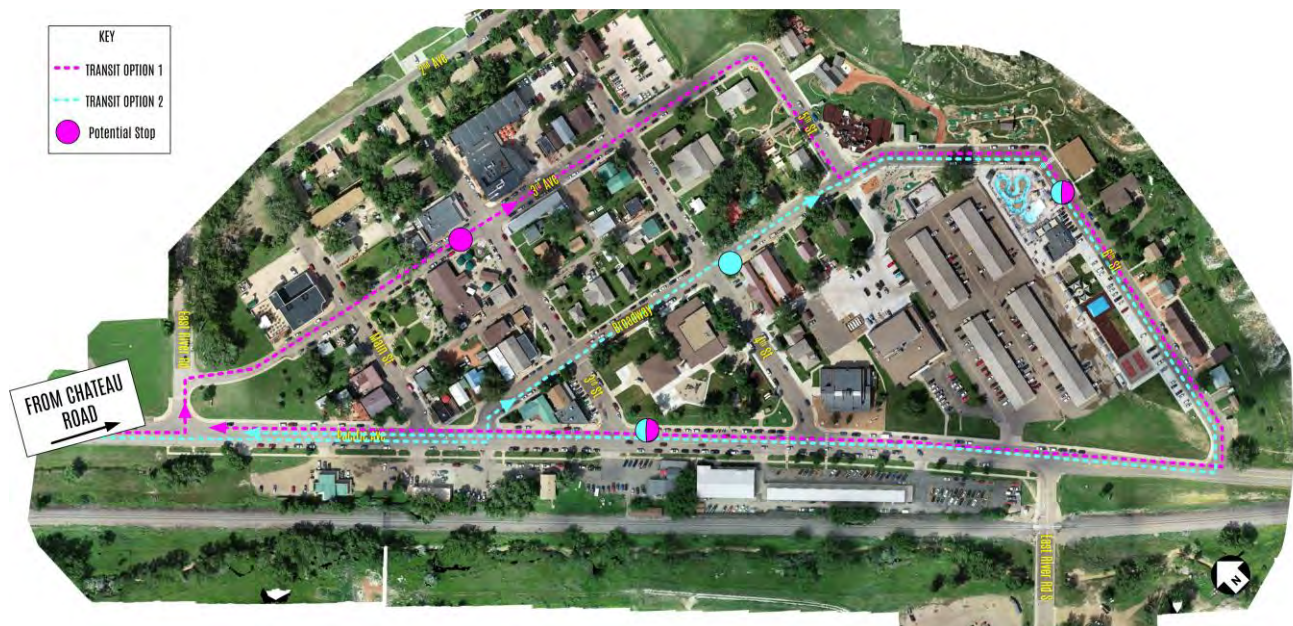


Figure 36: Potential transit routing in the downtown area

As part of the final public input meeting a second route option that would expand service to the south of the downtown area was also discussed. This option and the related stop locations was not drawn or illustrated. This option would require additional stops and extend headways beyond the 15-minute planned for the downtown only route.



Figure 37: Potential Trolley Vehicle/Style

Public Input and Preferences

Figure 38 below shows stakeholder preferences, based upon comment forms in Public Input Meeting #2 on October 2, 2022. The completed PI Report is included in Appendix F.

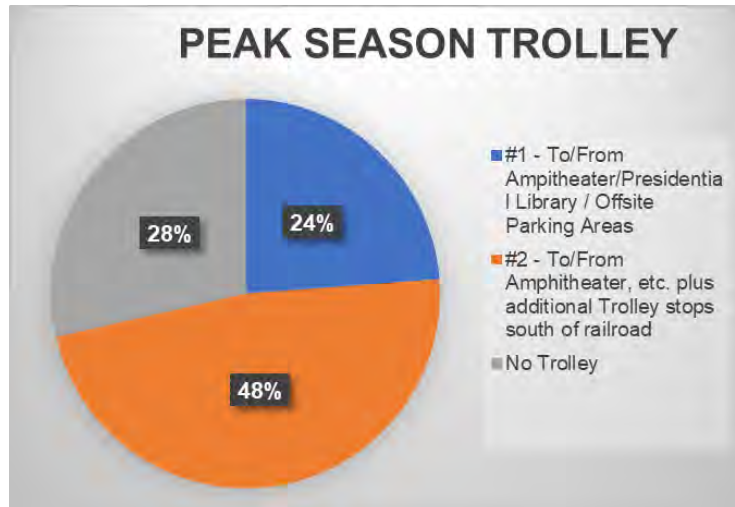


Figure 38: PI Meeting #2, Potential Trolley Service (Peak Season) Comment Breakdown

E. Comparison of Concepts

The following information in Table 13 details the advantages and disadvantages of each concept evaluated for Pacific Avenue.

Table 13: Comparison of Alternatives – Pacific Avenue Improvements

Alternatives	Advantages	Disadvantages
Concept 1 – Roundabouts and 2 Lanes, Bulbouts, Raised Median with Flex Trolley Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhanced downtown accessibility and efficiency Raised median with pedestrian cut-throughs allows for safer/shorter crossings Provides dedicated travel lane for trolley traffic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removal of on-street parking during peak season Increased construction cost
Concept 2 – Roundabouts with 3 lanes, Bulb-Outs and Sharrows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilizes existing roadway features Less impact to existing on-street parking Lower construction cost 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does not meet LOS standards without a future raised median Limited improvements for pedestrians Travel lanes to be shared by vehicular, bicycle, and trolley traffic No aesthetic improvements for roadway

TRANSIT/TROLLEY FEASIBILITY MEDORA

Dedicated Lane versus In-lane

- In-lane transit retains existing parking on Pacific Avenue
- Anticipated 15 minute headway/intervals are feasible.
 - Based upon time trials completed last summer the week of July 4th.

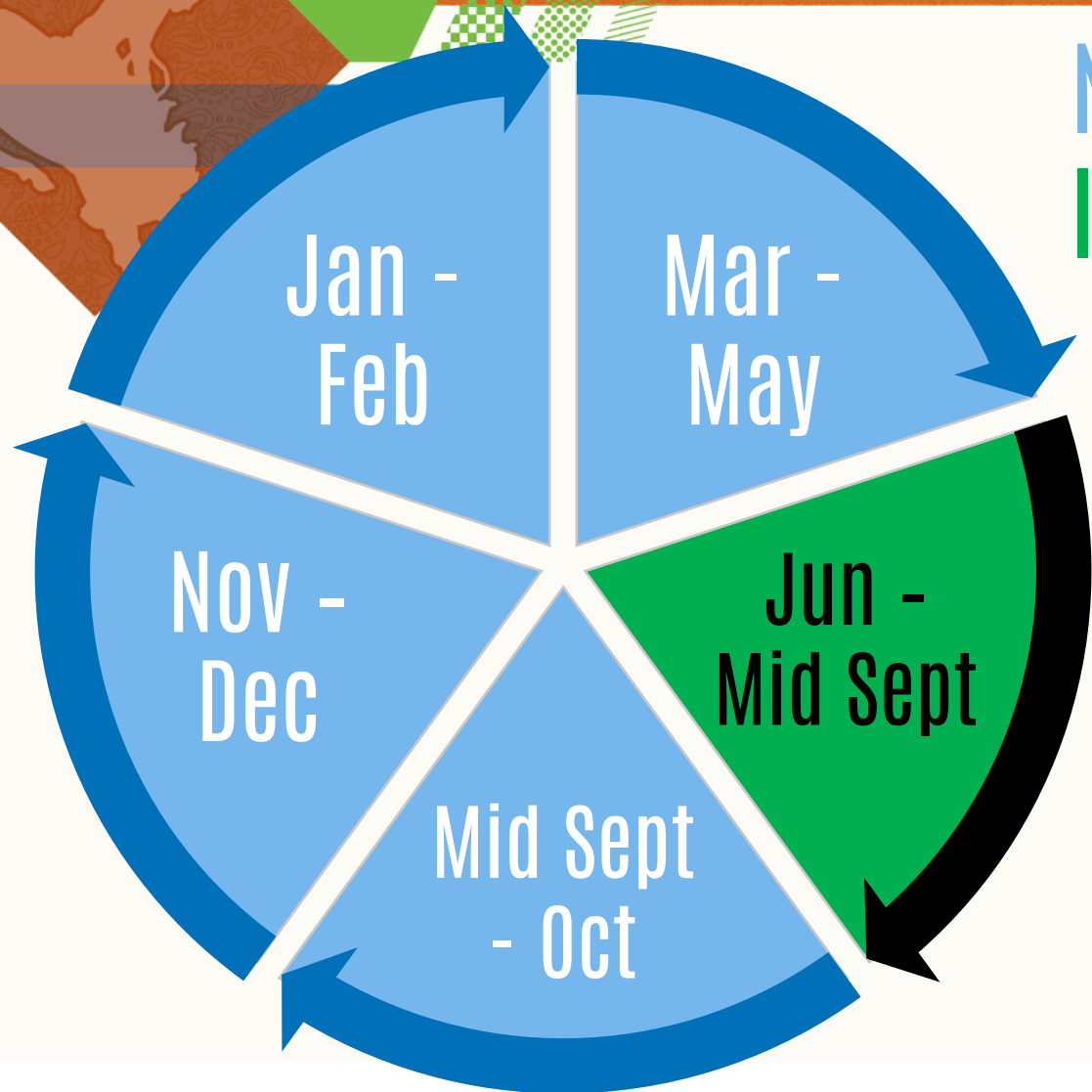


CONCEPT - TRANSIT ROUTE MAP

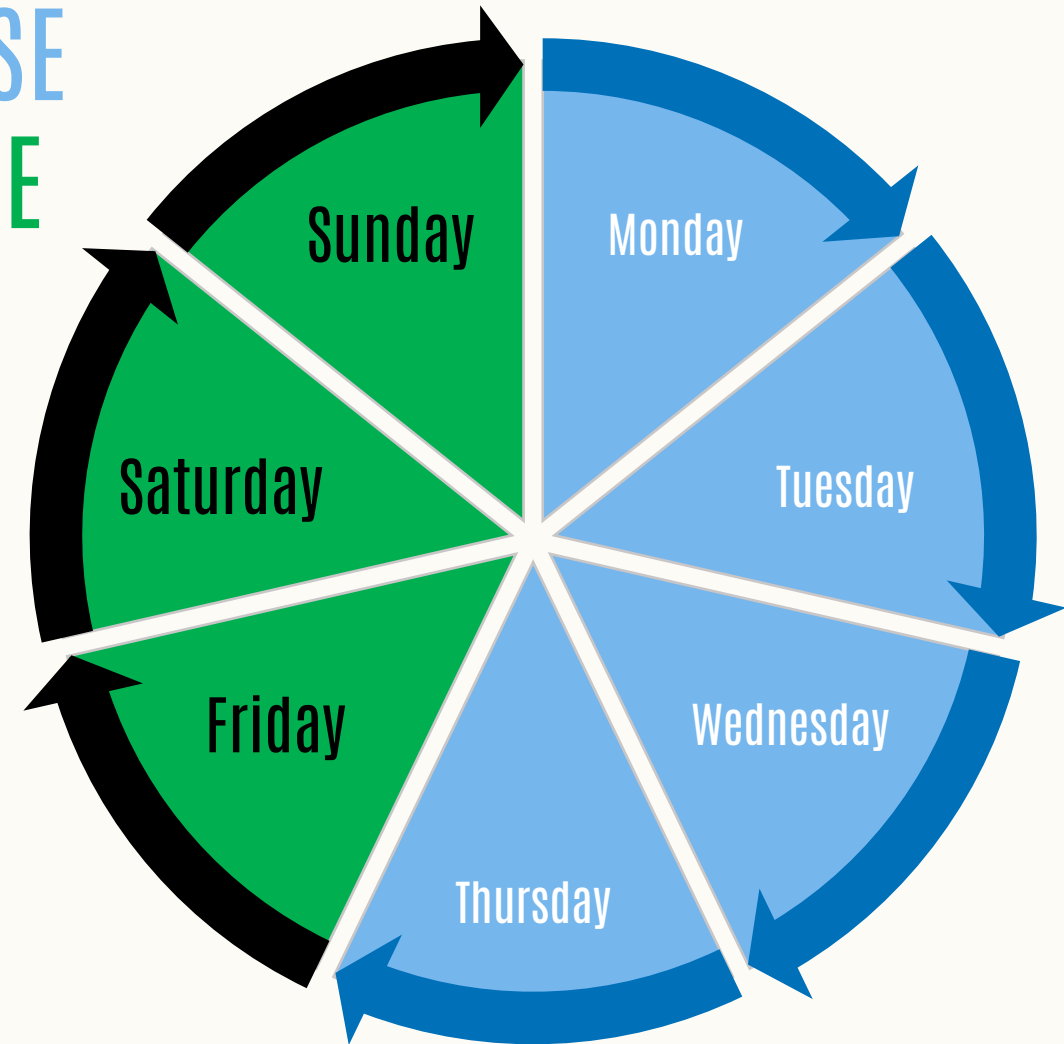


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POTENTIAL TROLLEY OPERATIONAL TIMING



Limit to Summer Season?



Limit Days?

UNDERLYING PURPOSE OF SERVICE?

- Reduce Parking Congestion?
- Support Medora Venue-to-Venue Travel?
 - Currently Walk Trips
 - Currently Drive Trips
- Provide Medora to Amphitheater Option to Driving?
- Reduce Medora Vehicle Circulation Looking for Parking?
- Augment Current Limited Resident Demand Response Service?

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WALK TIMES BETWEEN VENUES

Start	End	Distance	Time
1	5	0.4 mi	8 min
3	6	0.3 mi	5 min
4	7	0.3 mi	6 min
2	1	0.1 mi	3 min
1	8	0.1 mi	3 min
1	9	0.2 mi	4 min



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OPERATING ALTERNATIVES

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- Options:

- Local: Either Public or Private Non-Profit
- “Public” Transit: Including Funding from NDDOT/FTA

- Considerations:

- Each Needs a Champion – Is there One?
- If FTA Funding: ADA Vehicle and Stop Requirements Expand
- If FTA Funding: Fixed Route Service Requires Complementary Paratransit with $\frac{3}{4}$ Mile Service Area around Route



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OPERATING ALTERNATIVES

MEDORA

- Options:

- Local: Either Public or Private Non-Profit
- “Public” Transit: Including Funding from NDDOT/FTA

- Considerations:

- FTA Funding is through Formula – Adding New Provider does not Necessarily Bring More Funding to State – Slice Pie Thinner
- Is there a NON-RECREATION Travel Need Not being Met?

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- Seasonal Operations Influences Cost:
 - Mobilization
 - Vehicle Utilization in Off Months
 - Driver Availability
 - Service and Storage Availability
- Turnkey Seasonal Operator:
 - \$120/Hour/Per Vehicle
 - 2 Vehicles in Service
 - 10 Hours/Day
 - 6 Days a Week
 - 100 Day a Season
 - \$240-\$250,000 for Season

Is there Potential for
Funding Support from
Non-DOT State
Departments:

- Tourism
- Economic
Development

VEHICLE OPTIONS COMPARISON

Customized 15-Passenger Van

Customized Med/Heavy Duty Bus

Capital Cost	→	\$75-85,000		\$300 to \$450,000
Useful Life	→	7 Years		12-14 Years
CDL Required	→	NO		YES
Capacity	→	Up to 15 Pass.		30-35 Pass.

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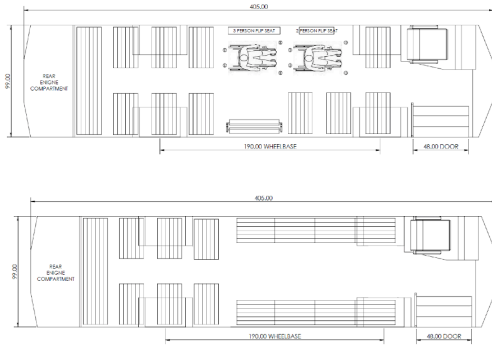
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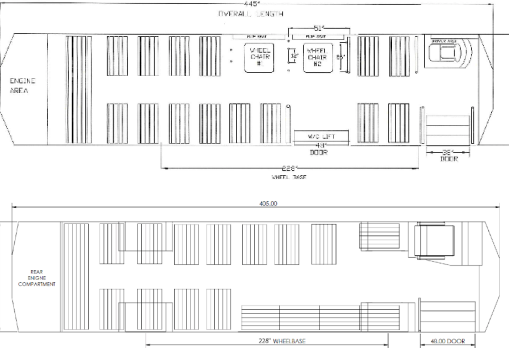
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ADA

NO ADA

228 WHEELBASE 32-40 PASS.



MAINSTREET	30'	35'	40'
GVWR	29,000	32,000	32,000
Body Width	99"	99"	99"
Body Height	136" +/-	136" +/-	136" +/-
Int. Height	80.5	80.5	80.5
Wheelbase	160"	208"	228"
Approach Angle	90°	90°	90°
Breakover Angle	15.6°	15.6°	15.6°
Departure Angle	10.1°	10.1°	10.1°
Step Height	14"	14"	14"
Step Height Rear	14.5"	14.5"	14.5"
ADA Location	Mid/Rear/Entrance	Mid/Rear/Entrance	Mid/Rear/Entrance
Engine	Cummins ISB/L9, Electric	Cummins ISB/L9, Electric	Cummins ISB/L9, Electric
Transmission	Allison B300/B400	Allison B300/B400	Allison B300/B400
Fuel Tank Cap.	90 gal	90 gal	90 gal
Pass. HVAC	Skirt Split/Rear	Skirt Split/Rear	Skirt Split/Rear
Driver HVAC	Dash Mount	Dash Mount	Dash Mount
Front Axle	Solid Beam AAC	Solid Beam AAC	Solid Beam AAC
Brakes	WABCO Air/ABS	WABCO Air/ABS	WABCO Air/ABS
Rear Axle	ARS-20	ARS-20	ARS-20
Tires	255/70R22.5	255/70R22.5	255/70R22.5
Front Door	34" Electric push out	34" Electric push out	34" Electric push out
Rear Door	34" Electric push out	34" Electric push out	34" Electric push out
Seating	26-28 passenger	28-34 passenger	34-40 passenger
Electrical Sys	Standard Relay Logic Hard Wire	Standard Relay Logic Hard Wire	Standard Relay Logic Hard Wire

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AISLE WIDTH:	20"
HEADROOM:	6'-7"
SPEED:	Normal Highway
PASSENGER CAPACITY:	22-38
WHEEL BASE:	158" to 228"
APPROX. CURB WEIGHT:	11,500 lbs to 16,500 lbs

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The City of Deadwood offers a transit service that stops at various locations around Deadwood including hotels and casinos. The trolley is not a 24-hour service.

The fee for the trolley is \$2.00 per person per ride or one (1) token per person per ride.

Tokens are available for purchase at select stops throughout Deadwood including the Welcome Center, 501 Main Street, and the History and Information Center, 3 Siever Street.

Day passes are \$5.00 per person and are available for purchase at the Welcome Center, History and Information Center and City of Deadwood Finance Office.



Trolley Winter Schedule effective September 14th through May 16th:

Sunday thru Thursday: 1st Trolley 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Friday: 1st Trolley 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.

2nd Trolley 1:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Saturday: 1st Trolley 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.


2nd Trolley 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Trolley Summer Schedule begins May 17th:

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2nd Trolley 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Friday and Saturday: 1st Trolley 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.
2nd Trolley 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 a.m.
3rd Trolley 5:20 p.m. to 10:20 p.m.

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Testimony in Support of House Bill No. 1018**Submitted by Patrick Kirby, Founder, Do Good Better – West Fargo, ND**

Chair Sorvaag, members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit my support of House Bill No. 1018. My name is Patrick Kirby and a small business owner from District 13, with over 20 years of experience working with nonprofit organizations across North Dakota and the Midwest. I've had the privilege of helping communities leverage opportunities like this matching grant specifically allocated for the Fargo Theatre in conjunction with its upcoming 100th year celebration, to transform their most beloved spaces into thriving hubs of culture, history, and economic vitality.

The matching grant proposed in House Bill No. 1018 is a proven strategy that creates momentum, inspires generosity, and energizes campaigns like the Fargo Theatre's Centennial Capital Campaign. Matching grants work because they double the impact of every dollar raised, signaling to donors that their contributions will go even further. In my experience, matches like this one are catalytic—they not only accelerate fundraising but also bring new supporters to the table, creating a ripple effect of community investment.

The \$1.1m in one-time funding for a "historic theater restoration grant" (line 18 on page 2) is a wonderful opportunity for the theatre to leverage their supporters to raise a significant amount of revenue for this project. At the 1:2 match requirement (that is specified in the last sentence of section 6) ensures that the Fargo Theatre requires a great deal of effort into the campaign as well.

This legislative body has a long and proud history of supporting iconic and historic projects across North Dakota. From restoring landmarks to funding cultural assets, you have recognized the value these projects bring to our communities. The Fargo Theatre is no exception. Its presence in downtown Fargo has been a cornerstone of our state's cultural identity for nearly a century. A matching grant for the Theatre aligns perfectly with your legacy of preserving history while investing in the future.

But the Fargo Theatre is more than a historic building—it's a place where memories are made and communities come together. For me, those memories include one of the proudest moments of my life as a parent: watching my daughter dance on the Fargo Theatre stage. I sat in that historic auditorium, surrounded by neighbors, friends, and strangers, all brought together by a shared sense of joy and pride. That's the power of the Fargo Theatre. It's not just a venue; it's a living, breathing symbol of who we are and what we value as North Dakotans.

As we approach the Theatre's centennial, the timing of this matching grant couldn't be more significant. It's an opportunity to honor the Theatre's history while ensuring it remains a vibrant part of our future. With your support, the Fargo Theatre can continue to inspire, connect, and energize our community for the next 100 years.

Thank you for considering this investment in one of North Dakota's most cherished cultural treasures. I urge you to vote in favor of House Bill No. 1018 and help ensure that the Fargo Theatre remains a beacon of art, history, and community for generations to come.

Patrick Kirby

Founder, Do Good Better

West Fargo, ND



Chairman Sorvaag and Committee Members

For the record I'm Arnie Strebe, Co-Founder and Co-CEO of BisBlox a business consulting company.

I stand before you today not just as a retired military officer, but as a proud member of the North Dakota community, deeply committed to preserving and honoring our rich heritage.

I'm also a member of the North Dakota National Guard Foundation and have served on the foundation board for over 5 years.

The North Dakota National Guard Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting military members and their families. They provide financial assistance through the Emergency Relief Fund (ERF) for sudden and unforeseen emergencies like natural disasters, accidents, illnesses, fires, or theft. They also offer support to National Guard Service Members, Families, Veterans, and Survivor programs.

I'm also a member of the North Dakota Military Museum Executive Board and have been on this board since it started over 2 years ago.

Our state has a long and storied history of military service, a legacy that spans centuries and includes the invaluable contributions of our Native American communities.

Today, I am here to advocate for the funding of a museum project that will be an integral part of the North Dakota Heritage Center. This museum will serve as a testament to the bravery, sacrifice, and dedication of all those who have served in military service, from the earliest days of our state to the present.

This museum will honor the service of our military personnel and educate future generations about the sacrifices made to protect our freedoms. It will highlight the contributions of Native Americans, whose service and sacrifices have often been overlooked in the broader narrative of our nation's military history.

North Dakota is home to approximately 56,000 veterans, a significant number given our total population of around 800,000 people. This means that nearly 7% of our population has served in the military, a testament to the strong tradition of service in our state. This museum will honor veterans from all service branches, ensuring that their stories are preserved and celebrated.

By funding this project, you will ensure that the stories of our veterans, including those from the Native American communities, are preserved and celebrated. You will also

provide a space where families can come to learn, reflect, and be inspired by the courage and dedication of those who have served.

As of now, the NDNG Foundation, in collaboration with the museum's Executive Committee, the Pace Group has successfully raised \$7.581 million.

Recently, two donors made significant contributions, setting a precedent for others to join this effort. As many of you know from your past or current fundraising experiences, securing the initial donation often encourages others to contribute.

North Dakota Military Gallery Capital Campaign Update as of 01.09.25 –

Pledges Received to Date: • 10 Pledges for over \$ 7,581,207.41

Over 200 organizations and individual donors have been identified, and over 65 volunteers have been focused on raising funds for the museum.

In closing, I urge you to consider the profound impact this museum will have on our community and our state. It is not just a building but a beacon of honor, education, and remembrance. Let us come together to ensure that the legacy of our military service members is preserved for generations to come.

Thank you.



State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

	Armstrong Budget				House Version				House Compared to Armstrong Budget			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	Increase (Decrease)			
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2025-27 Biennium Base Level	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)				\$0
Salary increase		572,726	65,130	637,856		572,726	65,130	637,856				0
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449		458,503	51,946	510,449				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016		360,978	770,038	1,131,016				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376		558,225	79,151	637,376				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool				0		(38,888)		(38,888)		(\$38,888)		(38,888)
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool				0		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)		(224,858)	(\$25,551)	(250,409)
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080	1.00	190,080		190,080				0
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076	1.00	208,076		208,076				0
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services		150,796	220,080	370,876				0		(150,796)	(220,080)	(370,876)
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088		945,088		945,088				0
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		402,796		402,796		390,356		390,356		(12,440)		(12,440)
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402			172,402	172,402				0
Adds funding for IT increases		71,996		71,996		71,996		71,996				0
Adds funding for increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and utilities		186,163		186,163		186,163		186,163				0
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000		37,000		37,000				0
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0				0				0
Removes funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)				0
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)				0
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500			27,500	27,500				0
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)				0
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$2,920,135	\$1,167,512	\$4,087,647	2.00	\$2,493,153	\$921,881	\$3,415,034	0.00	(\$426,982)	(\$245,631)	(\$672,613)
One-Time Funding Items												
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000			\$50,000	\$50,000				\$0
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$6,135	4,090	10,225		\$10,225		10,225		\$4,090	(\$4,090)	0
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services		4,090		4,090				0		(4,090)		(4,090)
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000		100,000		100,000				0
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011			2,011	2,011				0
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects			638,000	638,000			638,000	638,000				0

Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community program			75,000	75,000			75,000	75,000				0
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			78,744,524	78,744,524			78,744,524	78,744,524				0
Adds funding for the repayment of the 2023-25 Bank of North Dakota line of credit			4,200,000	4,200,000			4,200,000	4,200,000				0
Adds funding to update the inspiration gallery			700,000	700,000			700,000	700,000				0
Adds funding for Medora area planning			6,470,000	6,470,000			3,570,000	3,570,000		(2,900,000)	(2,900,000)	0
Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500		207,500		207,500				0
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings			3,000,000	3,000,000			3,000,000	3,000,000				0
Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000			750,000	750,000				0
Adds funding for a historic theater restoration grant				0			1,100,000	1,100,000		1,100,000	1,100,000	
Adds funding for a historic opera house restoration grant				0			250,000	250,000		250,000	250,000	
Adds funding for a historic museum repairs grant				0			200,000	200,000		200,000	200,000	
Adds funding for a historic movie theater improvement grant				0			250,000	250,000		250,000	250,000	
Adds funding for a Medora transportation improvement grant				0			1,000,000	1,000,000		1,000,000	1,000,000	
Adds one-time funding for a historic armory restoration grant				0			100,000	100,000		100,000	100,000	
Adds funding for America 250th celebration activities			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000				0
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,633,625	\$96,951,350	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260	0.00	\$0	(\$4,090)	(\$4,090)
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$3,237,860	\$97,801,137	\$101,038,997	2.00	\$2,810,878	\$97,551,416	\$100,362,294	0.00	(\$426,982)	(\$249,721)	(\$676,703)
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$23,838,209	\$100,235,401	\$124,073,610	85.50	\$23,411,227	\$99,985,680	\$123,396,907	0.00	(\$426,982)	(\$249,721)	(\$676,703)
Federal funds included in other funds			\$3,755,740				\$3,518,520				(\$237,220)	

Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	2.4%	14.2%	48.0%	17.7%	2.4%	12.1%	37.9%	14.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	2.4%	15.7%	4017.7%	438.6%	2.4%	13.6%	4007.4%	435.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	Armstrong Budget	House Version
New and vacant FTE pool line item		Section 3 provides the State Historical Society cannot spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE funding pool line item but may request the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funds to the salaries and wages line item.
Appropriation - Revolving fund		Section 4 appropriates all fees collected and deposited in the revolving fund to the State Historical Society.
Appropriation - Gifts, grants, and bequests		Section 5 appropriates all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society to the State Historical Society.

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	Armstrong Budget	House Version	
SIIF - Matching funds		Section 6 identifies \$32,458,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$20,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$3,570,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$1,100,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$2,000,000 is for America 250 semiquincentennial activities. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$2 provided from the state.	
Bank of North Dakota line of credit - Military gallery expansion project		Section 7 identifies \$20,000,000 appropriated in Section 1 from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.	
Other funds - Military gallery expansion project and Inspiration gallery update		Section 8 identifies \$43,294,524 appropriated in Section 1 is from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, and \$350,000 is to update the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center.	
Exemption - SIIF		Section 9 allows the State Historical Society to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,250,000 appropriated from SIIF for critical repairs to historic site structures and the \$300,000 appropriated from SIIF for creating new and repairing existing exhibits during the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	



North Dakota Legislative Council

Prepared for the Senate Appropriations Committee
March 6, 2025

MAJOR RELATED LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AS OF CROSSOVER

This memorandum provides information on major related legislation affecting the State Historical Society as of Crossover:

House Bill No. 1603 - This bill appropriates \$500,000 of ongoing funding from the general fund to the State Historical Society for costs associated with compliance with the federal Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act. The State Historical Society is required to use the funding to establish a compliance committee consisting of tribal historic preservation officers or their designees from each North Dakota tribe with an agreement under Chapter 54-40.2. Each tribe participating on the committee is required to provide matching funds of up to \$100,000 for committee efforts.

TESTIMONY OF
BRIGADIER GENERAL MITCH JOHNSON
NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD
BEFORE THE
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS
EDUCATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION
12 MARCH 2025
HOUSE BILL 1018

Good morning, Chairman Sorvaag and members of the committee. For the record, I am Mitch Johnson, the Adjutant General for the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG). I am here today to testify in support of House Bill 1018, specifically the North Dakota Military Gallery project.

As you may recall, the concept for a military museum began when the 67th Legislative Assembly (2021-2022) granted the North Dakota National Guard Foundation authority to fundraise for a North Dakota Military Museum under House Bill 2016.

In the 68th Legislative session, the project was carried by the Office of the Adjutant General in Senate Bill 2016 but was transferred to the State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) budget at the end of session. The project was approved for \$20M dollar line of credit through the Bank of North Dakota with the "intent that the State Historical Society of North Dakota request funding from the 69th Legislative Assembly from the legacy earnings funds to repay the line of credit", as per Senate Bill 2018. It was also recommended last session that the facility be located on the capitol grounds as an addition to the current North Dakota Heritage Center and State Museum. The initial concept design was approved unanimously in 2023 by the Capitol Grounds Planning Commission, and in August 2024 the commission unanimously approved the architectural design development drawings.

The Office of the Adjutant General remains a committed strategic partner in this project as outlined in the October 2022 Memorandum of Agreement between the Office of the Adjutant General and the State Historical Society of North Dakota. The goal of the project is to build a world class facility with exhibits and experiences that tell the story of our North Dakota military history.

The North Dakota National Guard Foundation remains the fundraising lead on this project and has contracted with PACE Fundraising to manage the capital campaign. Since last session, the Joint Military Museum Advisory Council (JMMAC) was created to provide oversight and collaboration for the project. This board has representation from the Governor's Office, Office of Management and Budget, Office of the Adjutant General, State Historical Society of North Dakota and their Foundation, North Dakota National Guard Foundation, and several sub-committees including a Tribal Advisory Committee that has representation from all five Tribal Nations.

Creating a military museum in North Dakota has been a goal of the North Dakota National Guard for over 50 years. The State of North Dakota has a rich military history and heritage that needs to be preserved and shared. North Dakota is one of the few states that does not have a state military museum.

The Gallery facility will showcase the military in North Dakota as well as the North Dakotans who have served in all branches of the Armed Forces. It will HONOR our rich military history of those that have served. It will EDUCATE our citizens about North Dakota's role in preserving our national security. We hope it will INSPIRE future generations to serve their state and nation in support our all-volunteer force.

Thank you for your past support of this project and I ask for your continued support of the North Dakota Military Gallery. I will stand by for any questions.

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Sakakawea Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
3/14/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the parks and recreation department; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an exemption.

9:12 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Ronald Sorvaag, Senator Cole Conley, Senator Scott Meyer, Senator Donald Schaible, Senator Paul J. Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- One-Time Funding Items.
- Matching Funds.
- Restoration Grant.
- Funds For Building Restoration.

9:13 a.m. Levi Kinnischtzke, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Committee, referenced previous Long Sheet #40942 03/12/25 and answered committee questions.

9:15 a.m. Bill Peterson, Director, State Historical Society, answered committee questions.

9:17 a.m. Levi Kinnischtzke, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Committee, continued to answer committee questions.

9:21 a.m. Bill Peterson, Director, State Historical Society, answered committee questions.

9:26 a.m. Pat Olofson, Treasurer, Sargent County Historical Society, testified in favor and submitted testimony #41526.

9:39 a.m. Levi Kinnischtzke, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Committee, referenced previous Long Sheet #40942 03/12/25 and answered committee questions.

9:42 a.m. Bill Peterson, Director, State Historical Society, answered committee questions.

9:46 a.m. Levi Kinnischtzke, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Committee, referenced previous Long Sheet #40942 03/12/25 and answered committee questions.

9:56 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag closed the meeting.

Steven Hall, Committee Clerk

Sargent County Historical Society/ Museum

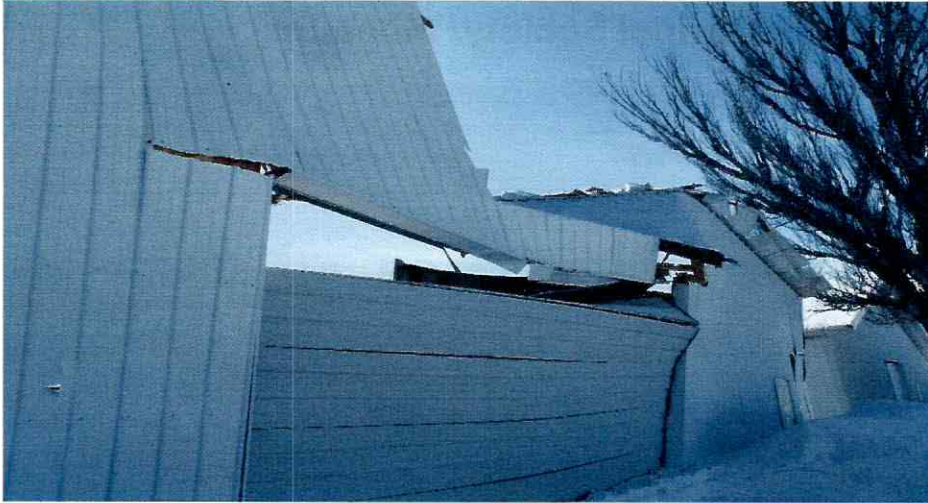


8987 Hwy 32, Forman, ND , on the northside of Forman on highway 32 on the west side of the highway. It is over 36,000 sq. ft. all connected by hallways.

Dark blue building is the building that just was replaced due to the last building sitting there collapsed in the last snowstorm of the season on April 6, 2023.



View from the roof of the first building looking down on to the collapsed building #3 on April 6, 2023.



View inside of the collapsed building.





Community came out to help save the first two buildings by getting all the snow off the roof on the morning of April 6, 2023. The ceiling inside the second building was already leaking and was down about a foot inside. We knew rafters were broken by then.



What it looked like inside before the collapse.

Farm equipment, some Bobcat machines, the cook car and newspaper exhibit.

Gravel floors with wooden sidewalks and well lite metal building.



Prepping the site were building stood. We had to lose the concrete to the one room schoolhouse and log cabin and cut off some of the hallways to put the building back in the same spot.

Expenses for this new building: It is metal 70 ft x 172 ft with 14 ft inside clearance. It is insulated in roof to R-50 and sidewalls insulated. It has 2 overhead doors with openers and 4- 36-inch commercial doors(1 on each side).

Concrete- \$96,0000

Prep site- \$ 17,000 but taking down the old building was done by volunteers.

Dehumidifier in building - \$4210

Foltz Building- \$370,810

Crossroads Electric - \$37,000

DRN/ security in building - \$2300

Seamless gutters back on southeast side to drain water away from septic tank - \$2000

To replace hallways that needed to be rebuilt to match up again-\$7,000

Benches, display cases, 3 Tv's and mounts for them, barrier system and flipbook stands for information, cable system to hang curtains, and STEM/play area. - \$30,000

So far around\$ 560,000 into the building.

Insurance payment around: \$196,000

A survey was done for insurance on 3/16/2021 by Cory Olson from NDIRF (see papers on next page).

What we have left to do:

Heat in new building along with internet and phone system

Concrete to one room school and log cabin from new building

Take snow stops and metal hanging off of building #4 due to storm

New roof panels on building #2 southside/ holes in from saving roof and patched with foam for now

Also need to repair/ replace clear panels that connect bld #1 and #2 which has the hallway that connects the buildings, also need some lights in it

Repay around \$40,000 that had to borrow from fund to get things done

Do large signs and photo signage that was lost in collapse

Need to have videos redone that were lost in collapse on the 3 TV's that were in the building

Some outside drainage needs to happen so do not get water in new building

Also have ruts to fill in front lawn from rebuild

Also have some landscaping to repair in the front from rebuild

We would like to cut down trees on the north side of last building since the engineers say that helped the collapse of the snow due to them being tall.

The parking lot also took a beating from all the construction and work on the building

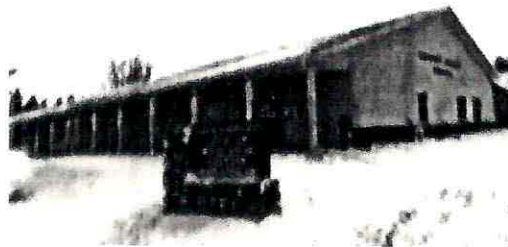
We would like to reinforce some of the rafters in the other buildings as some broke and were scissored at a cost insurance picked up for only 3 of them that were totally broken.

Not sure of total current cost for the above.

19 - Museum Buildings & Walkway - Hwy 32 East, Forman

Building Property Coverage - \$1,215,900 - Replacement Cost

- Year Built - 1998
 - Additions 2000, 2002
- Square footage on file - 35,568
- ISO Class - 1 - Frame
- Fire Protection Systems:
 - Fire Extinguishers: Yes, last serviced Dec. 2020 by Summit Companies
 - Fire Alarms: Yes
 - Sprinklered: No
- Commercial Kitchen Exposure - No
- Exterior Walls - Steel
- Roof Material - Steel
- Number of Stories - 1
- Updates:
 - Roof - Unknown
 - Electrical - Unknown
 - Heating/Cooling - Unknown
 - Plumbing - Unknown
- Suggested Insured Value - \$2,388,960 - Replacement Cost
 - Square footage determined on survey - 37,240
 - Building 1 and 2 - 13,160 SF at \$112/SF
 - Office area
 - Heated and Insulated
 - Building 3 and 4 - 24,080 SF at \$38/SF
 - Ceiling Insulated/no walls insulated
 - No heat
- Personal Property Coverage - \$140,270 - Replacement Cost
 - Review coverage and determine if limit is adequate
 - NOTE: All artifacts are not covered under this coverage. This was discussed and understood with Pat Olofson, Director. A coverage specific to artifacts would need to be purchased through a different carrier who specializes in this type of coverage



insured: Sargent County
Policy#: FT-1694-03 term is annual starting 7/1 of the year.

I have documentation in our system showing the following
-7/13/2021 cc'd in on email to the County from NDIRF-Corey Olson regarding coverage levels for the buildings when he was out for inspection and what should be increased

-4/8/2022 email to County regarding coverage levels needing to be increased and received a statement back that they would be reviewed

-5/9/2022 Sent email to County regarding the coverage levels again and made a follow up call to make sure email was received was told that changes would not be made on the July 2022 renewal because it was not in the budget but would present to commissioners for July 2023 renewal

-5/24/2022 sent an email to the County showing the difference in valuations and recommended levels and the premium impact.

-5/25/2023 sent another email to County as missed one of the evaluators received acknowledgement that it will be helpful in budget planning.

LouAnn Waliser

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louann@nd-insure.com

County Commissioners decided to not increase insurance, and museum was not notified so they did not know. This made it hard after the collapse since we only got back about 44-46 % of costs due to this. County pays for cost of insurance because they can get it through NDIRF.

Museum is a 501 C3 and gets a 1/4 of a mill levy from the county. Which is around \$10,500 - \$11,000 a year. This museum applies for grants and asks for donation to keep staying open.

Check out the FB page Sargent County Museum for more photos and videos.

We have a website: www.sargentcountymuseum.org but we have not updated it yet until we finish off the exhibits for opening in May 2025.

Photos of the inside of the museum:



Small sample of
building #1. It has over
68 ft of Military.





Overhead shot of building #4 the southeast part. Horse Drawn equipment and antique tools with railroad exhibit.

It is unheated with gravel floors and wooden sidewalks.



Bobcat/Melroe memorabilia exhibit area in new building.



Part of new exhibit
area of Bobcats in
new building.



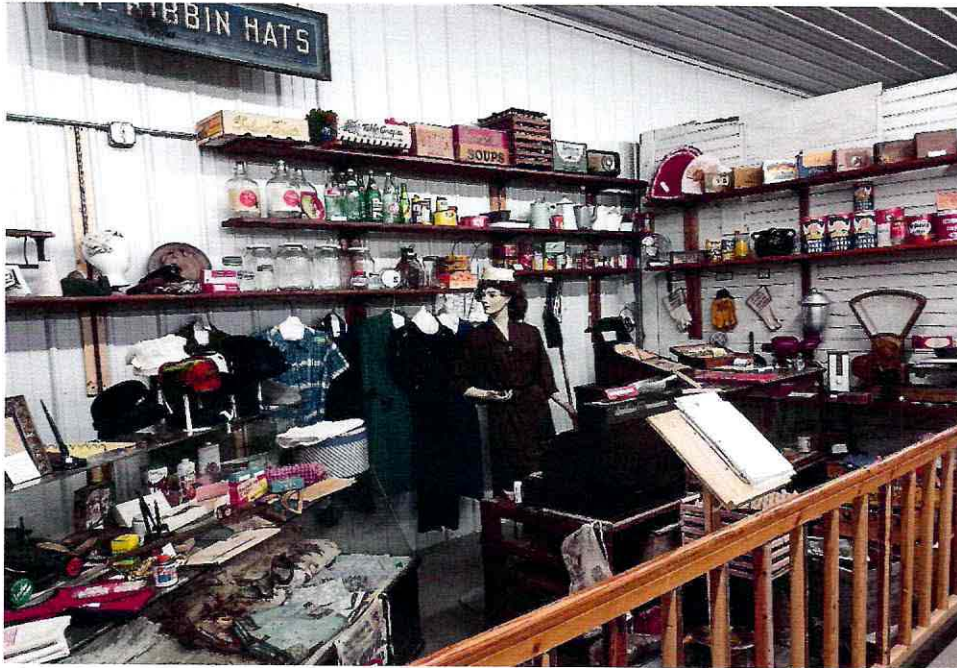
Grand Opening
Event in new
building.



STEM/ Play Area in new building due to a \$5000 Ottertail Foundation grant.



Some displays and exhibits in building #2.



Building #2
overhead shot
of east end.

LED lights,
insulated,
dehumidifier
and heated.

We are handicapped accessibly throughout all the buildings. We do many tours for nursing homes, schools and the ND Veterans Home. We were one place the ND Veterans Home could visit during COVID since we had space and could follow all the protocols at the time.

Pat Olofson, the museum manager, can be reached at email:

sargentcountymuseum@yahoo.com home phone number is 701-678-6847 or cell 701-680-0821.

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Sakakawea Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
3/18/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; and to provide an exemption.

8:32 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Ronald Sorvaag, Senator Cole Conley, Senator Scott Meyer, Senator Donald Schaible, Senator Paul J. Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- Cultural Heritage Grants.
- One-time Funding.
- SIIF Exemptions.
- Medora Funding.

8:33 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag referenced previous Long Sheet #40942 03/12/25.

8:35 a.m. Bill Peterson, Director, State Historical Society, answered committee questions.

8:49 a.m. Andrea Wike, Director of Administration, SHS, answered committee questions.

8:52 a.m. Bill Peterson, Director, SHS, discussed National Energy Emergency Declaration.

8:58 a.m. Chairman adjourned the meeting.

Steven Hall, Committee Clerk

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Sakakawea Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
3/26/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of public instruction, the center for distance education, the state library, the school for the deaf, and North Dakota vision services - school for the blind; to amend and reenact section of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the salary of the superintendent of public instruction; to provide for a transfer; to provide a report; and to provide an exemption.

2:32 p.m. Chairman Sorvaag called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Ronald Sorvaag, Senator Cole Conley, Senator Donald Schaible, Senator Paul J. Thomas, Senator Scott Meyer.

Discussion Topics:

- Funding for Military Expansion Project.
- Removal of Funding for Trolley.
- Local Grants.
- FTE Funding.

2:32 p.m. Senator Meyer referenced previous Long Sheet #40942 03/12/25 and made recommendations to the committee.

2:44 p.m. Chairman Sorvaag adjourned the meeting.

Steven Hall, Committee Clerk

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Sakakawea Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
4/2/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; and to provide an exemption.

3:41 p.m. Chairman Sorvaag called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Ronald Sorvaag, Senator Cole Conley, Senator Donald Schaible, Senator Paul J. Thomas, Senator Scott Meyer.

Discussion Topics:

- Native American Graves Protection Repatriation Act.
- Removal of SIIF funds.
- Medora Area Planning.

3:41 p.m. Senator Meyer referenced Long Sheet #44587 and answered committee questions.

Additional written testimony:

Levi Kinnischtzke, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, submitted testimony in neutral #44587

3:54 p.m. Chairman Sorvaag closed the meeting.

Steven Hall, Committee Clerk



State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

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2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)				\$0
Salary increase		572,726	65,130	637,856		572,726	65,130	637,856				0
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449		458,503	51,946	510,449				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016		360,978	770,038	1,131,016				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376		558,225	79,151	637,376				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool		(38,888)		(38,888)		(38,888)		(38,888)				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)				0
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080	1.00	190,080		190,080				0
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076	1.00	208,076		208,076				0
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services				0				0				0
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088		945,088		945,088				0
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		390,356		390,356		390,356		390,356				0
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402			172,402	172,402				0
Adds funding for IT increases		71,996		71,996		71,996		71,996				0
Adds funding for increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and utilities		186,163		186,163		186,163		186,163				0
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000		37,000		37,000				0
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0				0				0
Removes funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)				0
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)				0
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500			27,500	27,500				0
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)				0
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$2,493,153	\$921,881	\$3,415,034	2.00	\$2,493,153	\$921,881	\$3,415,034	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
One-Time Funding Items												
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000			\$50,000	\$50,000				\$0
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$10,225		10,225		\$10,225		10,225				0
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services				0				0				0
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000		100,000		100,000				0
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011			2,011	2,011				0
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects			638,000	638,000			638,000	638,000				0

Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community program			75,000	75,000			75,000	75,000				0
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			78,744,524	78,744,524			73,744,524	73,744,524			(\$5,000,000)	(5,000,000)
Adds funding for the repayment of the 2023-25 Bank of North Dakota line of credit			4,200,000	4,200,000			4,200,000	4,200,000				0
Adds funding to update the inspiration gallery			700,000	700,000			700,000	700,000				0
Adds funding for Medora area planning			3,570,000	3,570,000			2,000,000	2,000,000			(1,570,000)	(1,570,000)
Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500		207,500		207,500				0
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings			3,000,000	3,000,000			3,000,000	3,000,000				0
Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000			750,000	750,000				0
Adds funding for a historic theater restoration grant			1,100,000	1,100,000			250,000	250,000			(850,000)	(850,000)
Adds funding for a historic opera house restoration grant			250,000	250,000			250,000	250,000				0
Adds funding for a historic museum repairs grant			200,000	200,000			200,000	200,000				0
Adds funding for a historic movie theater improvement grant			250,000	250,000			250,000	250,000				0
Adds funding for a Medora transportation improvement grant			1,000,000	1,000,000			0	0			(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Adds one-time funding for a historic armory restoration grant			100,000	100,000			100,000	100,000				0
Adds funding for America 250th celebration activities			2,000,000	2,000,000			1,000,000	1,000,000			(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260	0.00	\$317,725	\$87,209,535	\$87,527,260	0.00	\$0	(\$9,420,000)	(\$9,420,000)
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$2,810,878	\$97,551,416	\$100,362,294	2.00	\$2,810,878	\$88,131,416	\$90,942,294	0.00	\$0	(\$9,420,000)	(\$9,420,000)
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$23,411,227	\$99,985,680	\$123,396,907	85.50	\$23,411,227	\$90,565,680	\$113,976,907	0.00	\$0	(\$9,420,000)	(\$9,420,000)
Federal funds included in other funds			\$3,518,520				\$3,518,520				\$0	
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	2.4%	12.1%	37.9%	14.8%	2.4%	12.1%	37.9%	14.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	2.4%	13.6%	4007.4%	435.7%	2.4%	13.6%	3620.5%	394.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version
New and vacant FTE pool line item	Section 3 provides the State Historical Society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE funding pool line item but may request the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funds to the salaries and wages line item.	Section 3 provides the State Historical Society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE funding pool line item but may request the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funds to the salaries and wages line item.
Appropriation - Revolving fund	Section 4 appropriates all fees collected and deposited in the revolving fund to the State Historical Society.	Section 4 appropriates all fees collected and deposited in the revolving fund to the State Historical Society.
Appropriation - Gifts, grants, and bequests	Section 5 appropriates all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society to the State Historical Society.	Section 5 appropriates all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society to the State Historical Society.

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
SIIF - Matching funds	Section 6 identifies \$32,458,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$20,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$3,570,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$1,100,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$2,000,000 is for America 250 semiquincentennial activities. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$2 provided from the state.	Section 6 identifies \$25,138,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$15,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$2,100,000 is to repay the 2023-25 biennium line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$2,000,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$250,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$1,000,000 is for America 250 semiquincentennial activities. Funding from SIIF for the military gallery expansion project may be accessed only upon certification from the State Historical Society to the Office of Management and Budget that 50 percent of the \$38,744,524 appropriated from donated funds for the project have been collected. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$1 provided from the state. Funding for the historic opera house restoration grant, historic museum repairs grant, historic movie theater improvement grant, and historic armory restoration grant requires \$2 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$1 provided by the state. Matching funds raised prior to the 2025-27 biennium are eligible to match grants identified in this section.	
Bank of North Dakota line of credit - Military gallery expansion project	Section 7 identifies \$20,000,000 appropriated in Section 1 is from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.	Section 7 identifies \$20,000,000 appropriated in Section 1 is from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.	
Other funds - Military gallery expansion project and Inspiration gallery update	Section 8 identifies \$43,294,524 appropriated in Section 1 is from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, and \$350,000 is to update the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center.	Section 8 identifies \$41,194,524 appropriated in Section 1 is from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$2,100,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, and \$350,000 is to update the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center.	
Other funds - Department of Transportation		Section 9 identifies \$100,000 appropriated in the other funds line item in Section 1 is from the Department of Transportation for defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center for the 2025-27 biennium.	
Amendment - Military gallery		Section 10 creates a new section to Chapter 55-01 to provide the military gallery at the Heritage Center must be operated and maintained by the State Historical Society and that all public displays, signage, and museum content be managed by the Adjutant General and the North Dakota National Guard.	
Exemption - SIIF	Section 9 allows the State Historical Society to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,250,000 appropriated from SIIF for critical repairs to historic site structures and the \$300,000 appropriated from SIIF for creating new and repairing existing exhibits during the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.		

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
Emergency - Line of credit repayment		Section 11 provides the \$4,200,000 appropriated in Section 1 for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project is declared an emergency measure.	

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Sakakawea Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
4/4/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; and to provide an exemption.

8:47 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Ronald Sorvaag, Senator Cole Conley, Senator Donald Schaible, Senator Paul J. Thomas, Senator Scott Meyer.

Discussion Topics:

- Military Gallery Expansion Project Funding.
- Funding for Fargo Theatre
- Removal of Funding for the Medora Transportation Project.

8:47 a.m. Senator Meyer referenced previous Long Sheet #44587 04/02/25 and submitted testimony in favor #44667 and #44707.

8:52 a.m. Levi Kinnischtzke, Fiscal Analyst, Legal Counsel, answered committee questions.

8:54 a.m. Senator Meyer Continued to discuss amendment and answered committee questions.

9:01 a.m. Andrea Wike, Assistant Director, State Historical Society, answered committee questions.

9:04 a.m. Senator Meyer Moved Amendment LC# 25.0162.02001.

9:04 a.m. Senator Schaible Seconded.

Senators	Vote
Senator Ronald Sorvaag	AB
Senator Cole Conley	Y
Senator Scott Meyer	Y
Senator Donald Schaible	Y
Senator Paul J. Thomas	Y

Motion Passed:5-0-0.

9:05 a.m. Senator Meyer Moved to Further Amend regarding removal of language to Section 8 and an increase in funding for emergency clause in section 11.

9:05 a.m. Seconded by Senator Thomas.

Senators	Vote
Senator Ronald Sorvaag	AB
Senator Cole Conley	Y
Senator Scott Meyer	Y
Senator Donald Schaible	Y
Senator Paul J. Thomas	Y

Motion Passed:5-0-0.

9:05 a.m. Senator Meyer moved a Do Pass as amended.

9:05 a.m. Senator Schaible seconded.

Senators	Vote
Senator Ronald Sorvaag	AB
Senator Cole Conley	Y
Senator Scott Meyer	Y
Senator Donald Schaible	Y
Senator Paul J. Thomas	Y

Motion Passed: 4-0-1

Senator Meyer will carry the bill.

9:10 a.m. Chairman Sorvaag closed the meeting.

Steven Hall, Committee Clerk

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Fiscal No. 1

Prepared by the Legislative Council
staff for Senate Appropriations -
Education and Environment Division
Committee

April 3, 2025

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical
2 society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; to amend and reenact section
3 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to jurisdiction of the heritage center; and
4 to provide an exemption declare an emergency.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

6 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
7 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
8 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
9 federal funds, to the state historical society for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
10 state historical society, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as
11 follows:

		Adjustments or	
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
14 Salaries and wages	\$16,832,853	\$3,313,454	\$20,146,307
15 New and vacant FTE pool	0	934,276	934,276
16 Operating expenses	3,443,236	6,484,415	9,927,651
17 Capital assets	1,330,184	84,437,649	85,767,833
18 Grants	928,340	3,692,500	4,620,840
19 <u>Operating expenses</u>	<u>3,443,236</u>	<u>2,084,415</u>	<u>5,527,651</u>

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1	<u>Capital assets</u>	<u>1,330,184</u>	<u>82,267,649</u>	<u>83,597,833</u>
2	<u>Grants</u>	<u>928,340</u>	<u>1,842,500</u>	<u>2,770,840</u>
3	Cultural heritage grants	500,000	(500,000)	0
4	America's 250th celebration	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
5	Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$100,362,294	\$123,396,907
6	Less other funds	2,434,264	97,551,416	99,985,680
7	<u>America's 250th celebration</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
8	<u>Total all funds</u>	<u>\$23,034,613</u>	<u>\$90,942,294</u>	<u>\$113,976,907</u>
9	<u>Less other funds</u>	<u>2,434,264</u>	<u>88,131,416</u>	<u>90,565,680</u>
10	Total general fund	\$20,600,349	\$2,810,878	\$23,411,227
11	Full-time equivalent positions	83.50	2.00	85.50

12 **SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO**

13 **SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding
 14 items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act which are not included in the entity's
 15 base budget for the 2027-29 biennium and which the entity shall report to the appropriations
 16 committees of the seventieth legislative assembly regarding the use of this funding:

17	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
18	Temporary staff salaries and operating	\$10,225	\$52,011	\$62,236
19	Repatriation compliance costs	100,000	0	100,000
20	Pembina state museum exhibits	0	638,000	638,000
21	Underrepresented community program	0	75,000	75,000
22	Military gallery expansion project	0	82,944,524	82,944,524
23	<u>Military gallery expansion project</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>77,944,524</u>	<u>77,944,524</u>
24	Inspiration gallery updates	0	700,000	700,000
25	Medora area planning	0	3,570,000	3,570,000
26	<u>Medora area planning</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
27	State archive storage updates	207,500	0	207,500
28	Historical structures and buildings	0	3,000,000	3,000,000
29	improvements			
30	Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	0	750,000	750,000
31	Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000

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1	<u>Historic theater restoration grant</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
2	Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
3	Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
4	Historic movie theater improvement grant	0	250,000	250,000
5	Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
6	Historic armory restoration grant	0	100,000	100,000
7	America's 250th celebration	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
8	Total	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260
9	<u>America's 250th celebration</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
10	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$317,725</u>	<u>\$87,209,535</u>	<u>\$87,527,260</u>

11 **SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST.** The
 12 state historical society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line
 13 item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer
 14 funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the salaries and wages line item in
 15 accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as
 16 approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

17 **SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REVOLVING FUND.** All fees collected by the state
 18 historical society and deposited in the revolving fund established pursuant to section 55-03-04
 19 are appropriated to the state historical society for the purposes provided in chapter 55-03, for
 20 the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. *


21 **SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS.** All gifts, grants,
 22 devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the state historical society and
 23 deposited with the state treasurer pursuant to section 55-01-04 are appropriated to the state
 24 historical society for the purposes provided in section 55-01-04, for the biennium beginning
 25 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

26 **SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND**
 27 **- MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.**

28 1. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of
 29 ~~\$32,458,000~~ \$25,138,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of
 30 which \$638,000 is for Pembina state museum exhibit designs and objects,
 31 ~~\$20,000,000~~ \$15,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$2,100,000 is for *

1 the repayment of a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery
2 expansion project from the 2023-25 biennium. \$350,000 is for an update to the
3 inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center, ~~\$3,570,000~~ \$2,000,000 is for
4 Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and
5 buildings, ~~\$1,100,000~~ \$250,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is
6 for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs
7 grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, ~~\$1,000,000 is for a~~
8 ~~Medora transportation improvement grant,~~ \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration
9 grant, and ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$1,000,000 is for ~~America's~~ America 250th celebration activities
10 in Medora.

11 2. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic theater
12 restoration grant program only to the extent the organization has secured one dollar of
13 matching funds from nonstate sources for every ~~two dollars~~ one dollar provided by the
14 state historical society. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for
15 the historic opera house restoration grant, historic museum repairs grant, historic
16 movie theater improvement grant, and historic armory restoration grant programs only
17 to the extent the organizations have secured one dollar of matching funds from
18 nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state historical society. The
19 state historical society may accept matching funds raised during or prior to the
20 2025-27 biennium for programs under this subsection.

21  3. The state historical society may access the \$15,000,000 appropriated from the
22 strategic investment and improvements fund for the military gallery expansion project
23 in section 1 of this Act only upon certification from the director of the state historical
24 society to the office of management and budget that at least fifty percent, or
25 \$19,372,262, of the \$38,744,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery
26 expansion project in section 1 of this Act, has been pledged from nonstate sources for
27 the project.

28 **SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA LINE OF CREDIT - MILITARY**
29 **GALLERY EXPANSION PROJECT.** The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes
30 the sum of \$20,000,000, which the state historical society may borrow through a line of credit
31 from the Bank of North Dakota during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending

June 30, 2027. The interest rate on the line of credit may not exceed the prevailing interest rate charged to North Dakota governmental entities. If the state historical society accesses the line of credit, the state historical society shall request a deficiency appropriation from the seventieth legislative assembly to repay the line of credit.

SECTION 8. OTHER FUNDS - DONATIONS. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of ~~\$43,294,524~~ \$41,194,524 from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, ~~\$4,200,000~~ \$2,100,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, and \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center.

~~**SECTION 9. EXEMPTION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.**
The amount of \$3,550,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund in section 1 of chapter 50 of the 2023 Session Laws, of which \$3,250,000 was for critical repairs to historic site structures and \$300,000 was for creating new and repairing existing exhibits, is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and is available to the state historical society for each project or program during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.~~

SECTION 9. OTHER FUNDS - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$100,000 of grant funding from the department of transportation for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark interpretive center.

SECTION 10. AMENDMENT. Section 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

55-01-02.1. Society to have jurisdiction over heritage center.

The society has jurisdiction over the administration and operations of the North Dakota heritage center building. The director of the office of management and budget is responsible for maintenance of the heritage center building. The adjutant general is responsible for all public displays, signage, and museum content for the military gallery within the North Dakota heritage center building, which must be managed by the North Dakota national guard. The society shall maintain the collections displayed and stored at the heritage center and shall provide, or arrange, for the security of those collections. The society shall establish a policy that authorizes the consumption of alcoholic beverages, including distilled spirits as defined in section 5-01-01,

1 at the heritage center during an event that is open only to invited guests and if the alcoholic
2 beverages are dispensed by a qualified alcoholic beverage licensee.

3 **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The \$4,200,000 appropriated in section 1 of this Act to repay
4 a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military museum project, of which \$2,100,000 is
5 from the strategic investment and improvements fund and \$2,100,000 is from donations, is
6 declared to be an emergency measure.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1018 - State Historical Society - Senate Action**

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$16,832,853	\$20,146,307		\$20,146,307
New and vacant FTE pool		934,276		934,276
Operating expenses	3,443,236	9,927,651	(\$4,400,000)	5,527,651
Capital assets	1,330,184	85,767,833	(2,170,000)	83,597,833
Grants	928,340	4,620,840	(1,850,000)	2,770,840
Cultural heritage grants	500,000			
America's 250th celebration		2,000,000	(1,000,000)	1,000,000
Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$123,396,907	(\$9,420,000)	\$113,976,907
Less estimated income	2,434,264	99,985,680	(9,420,000)	90,565,680
General fund	\$20,600,349	\$23,411,227	\$0	\$23,411,227
FTE	83.50	85.50	0.00	85.50

Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Senate Changes

	Adjusts One- Time Funding for the Military Gallery Expansion Project ¹	Reduces One- Time Funding for Medora Area Planning ²	Reduces One- Time Funding for Grants ³	Reduces Funding for America 250th Celebration Activities ⁴	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages					
New and vacant FTE pool					
Operating expenses	(\$4,200,000)	(\$200,000)			(\$4,400,000)
Capital assets	(800,000)	(1,370,000)			(2,170,000)
Grants			(\$1,850,000)		(1,850,000)
Cultural heritage grants					
America's 250th celebration				(\$1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total all funds	(\$5,000,000)	(\$1,570,000)	(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,000,000)	(\$9,420,000)
Less estimated income	(5,000,000)	(1,570,000)	(1,850,000)	(1,000,000)	(9,420,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ One-time funding for the military gallery expansion project is adjusted as follows:

	Strategic Investment and Improvements Fund (SIIF)	Donations	Total
Reduces funding for the military gallery expansion project	(\$5,000,000)	\$0	(\$5,000,000)
Adjusts funding for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project. The total line of credit repayment of \$4,200,000 is transferred from the operating expenses line item to the capital assets line item.	2,100,000	(2,100,000) *	0
Total	(\$2,900,000)	(\$2,100,000)	(\$5,000,000)

² One-time funding of (\$1,570,000) is removed from SIIF for Medora area planning to provide a total of \$2,000,000. The House approved \$3,570,000 from SIIF.

³ One-time funding of (\$1,850,000) is reduced from SIIF for grants, including a (\$850,000) reduction for a historic theater restoration grant to provide a total of \$250,000 and the removal of (\$1,000,000) for a Medora transportation improvement grant. The House approved \$1,100,000 from SIIF for the historic theater restoration grant and \$1,000,000 from SIIF for the Medora transportation improvement grant.

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\$1,000,000 for a grant for Medora celebration activities. The House approved \$2,000,000 from SIIF, including \$1,825,000 for the governor's gallery exhibit, \$50,000 for temporary salaries, \$75,000 for professional programming, and \$50,000 for repairs.

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This amendment also:

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Sixty-ninth
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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

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2 society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; to amend and reenact section
3 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to jurisdiction of the heritage center; and
4 to ~~provide an exemption~~ declare an emergency.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

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9 federal funds, to the state historical society for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
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5	Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$100,362,294	\$123,396,907
6	Less other funds	2,434,264	97,551,416	99,985,680
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19	Repatriation compliance costs	100,000	0	100,000
20	Pembina state museum exhibits	0	638,000	638,000
21	Underrepresented community program	0	75,000	75,000
22	Military gallery expansion project	0	82,944,524	82,944,524
23	<u>Military gallery expansion project</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>77,944,524</u>	<u>77,944,524</u>
24	Inspiration gallery updates	0	700,000	700,000
25	Medora area planning	0	3,570,000	3,570,000
26	<u>Medora area planning</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
27	State archive storage updates	207,500	0	207,500
28	Historical structures and buildings	0	3,000,000	3,000,000
29	improvements			
30	Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	0	750,000	750,000
31	Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000

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1	<u>Historic theater restoration grant</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
2	Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
3	Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
4	Historic movie theater improvement grant	0	250,000	250,000
5	Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
6	Historic armory restoration grant	0	100,000	100,000
7	America's 250th celebration	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
8	Total	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260
9	<u>America 250th celebration</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
10	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$317,725</u>	<u>\$87,209,535</u>	<u>\$87,527,260</u>

11 **SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST.** The
12 state historical society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line
13 item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer
14 funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the salaries and wages line item in
15 accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as
16 approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

17 **SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REVOLVING FUND.** All fees collected by the state
18 historical society and deposited in the revolving fund established pursuant to section 55-03-04
19 are appropriated to the state historical society for the purposes provided in chapter 55-03, for
20 the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

21 **SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS.** All gifts, grants,
22 devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the state historical society and
23 deposited with the state treasurer pursuant to section 55-01-04 are appropriated to the state
24 historical society for the purposes provided in section 55-01-04, for the biennium beginning
25 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

26 **SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND**
27 **- MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.**

28 1. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of
29 ~~\$32,458,000~~\$27,238,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of
30 which \$638,000 is for Pembina state museum exhibit designs and objects,
31 ~~\$20,000,000~~\$15,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for

the repayment of a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project from the 2023-25 biennium, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center, ~~\$3,570,000~~ \$2,000,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, ~~\$1,100,000~~ \$250,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, ~~\$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant,~~ \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$1,000,000 is for ~~America's~~ America 250th celebration activities in Medora.

2. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic theater restoration grant program only to the extent the organization has secured one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every ~~two dollars~~ one dollar provided by the state historical society. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic opera house restoration grant, historic museum repairs grant, historic movie theater improvement grant, and historic armory restoration grant programs only to the extent the organizations have secured one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state historical society. The state historical society may accept matching funds raised during or prior to the 2025-27 biennium for programs under this subsection.

3. The state historical society may access the \$15,000,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund for the military gallery expansion project in section 1 of this Act only upon certification from the director of the state historical society to the office of management and budget that at least fifty percent, or \$19,372,262, of the \$38,744,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery expansion project in section 1 of this Act, has been pledged from nonstate sources for the project.

SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA LINE OF CREDIT - MILITARY GALLERY EXPANSION PROJECT. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$20,000,000, which the state historical society may borrow through a line of credit from the Bank of North Dakota during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending

June 30, 2027. The interest rate on the line of credit may not exceed the prevailing interest rate charged to North Dakota governmental entities. If the state historical society accesses the line of credit, the state historical society shall request a deficiency appropriation from the seventieth legislative assembly to repay the line of credit.

SECTION 8. OTHER FUNDS - DONATIONS. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of ~~\$43,294,524~~\$39,094,524 from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, ~~\$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project,~~ and \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center.

~~**SECTION 9. EXEMPTION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.**
The amount of \$3,550,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund in section 1 of chapter 50 of the 2023 Session Laws, of which \$3,250,000 was for critical repairs to historic site structures and \$300,000 was for creating new and repairing existing exhibits, is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and is available to the state historical society for each project or program during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.~~

SECTION 9. OTHER FUNDS - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$100,000 of grant funding from the department of transportation for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark interpretive center.

SECTION 10. AMENDMENT. Section 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

55-01-02.1. Society to have jurisdiction over heritage center.

The society has jurisdiction over the administration and operations of the North Dakota heritage center building. The director of the office of management and budget is responsible for maintenance of the heritage center building. The adjutant general is responsible for all public displays, signage, and museum content for the military gallery within the North Dakota heritage center building, which must be managed by the North Dakota national guard. The society shall maintain the collections displayed and stored at the heritage center and shall provide, or arrange, for the security of those collections. The society shall establish a policy that authorizes the consumption of alcoholic beverages, including distilled spirits as defined in section 5-01-01,

1 at the heritage center during an event that is open only to invited guests and if the alcoholic
2 beverages are dispensed by a qualified alcoholic beverage licensee.

3 **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The \$4,200,000 appropriated from the strategic investment
4 and improvements fund in section 1 of this Act to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for
5 the military gallery expansion project is declared to be an emergency measure.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1018 - State Historical Society - Senate Action**

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America's 250th celebration		2,000,000	(1,000,000)	1,000,000
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2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Harvest Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
4/8/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; and to provide an exemption.

8:50 a.m. Chairman Bekkedahl opened the hearing.

Members Present: Chairman Bekkedahl, Vice-Chairman Erbele, and Senators Burckhard, Cleary, Conley, Davison, Dever, Dwyer, Magrum, Mathern, Meyer, Schaible, Sickler, Sorvaag, Wanzek.

Members Absent: Senator Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- Revolving Loan Fund Balance
- Additional FTE Descriptions
- Pembina State Museum New Exhibits
- Lines of Credit
- State vs. Private Funding

8:50 a.m. Senator Meyer introduced the bill and submitted testimony #44776.

9:00 a.m. Senator Meyer moved amendment LC 25.0162.02002.

9:00 a.m. Senator Burckhard seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Brad Bekkedahl	Y
Senator Robert Erbele	Y
Senator Randy A. Burckhard	Y
Senator Sean Cleary	Y
Senator Cole Conley	Y
Senator Kyle Davison	Y
Senator Dick Dever	Y
Senator Michael Dwyer	Y
Senator Jeffery J. Magrum	Y
Senator Tim Mathern	Y
Senator Scott Meyer	Y
Senator Donald Schaible	Y
Senator Jonathan Sickler	Y
Senator Ronald Sorvaag	N/V
Senator Paul J. Thomas	A
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Motion Passed 14-0-2.

9:09 a.m. Senator Meyer moved a Do Pass as Amended.

9:09 a.m. Senator Erbele seconded the motion.

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Senator Meyer will carry the bill.

9:10 a.m. Chairman Bekkedahl closed the hearing.

Elizabeth Reiten, Committee Clerk

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Medora area planning	0	3,570,000	3,570,000
<u>Medora area planning</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
State archive storage updates	207,500	0	207,500
Historical structures and buildings improvements	0	3,000,000	3,000,000
Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	0	750,000	750,000
Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000

1	<u>Historic theater restoration grant</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
2	Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
3	Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
4	Historic movie theater improvement grant	0	250,000	250,000
5	Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
6	Historic armory restoration grant	0	100,000	100,000
7	America's 250th celebration	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
8	Total	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260
9	<u>America 250th celebration</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
10	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$317,725</u>	<u>\$87,209,535</u>	<u>\$87,527,260</u>

SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST. The state historical society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the salaries and wages line item in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REVOLVING FUND. All fees collected by the state historical society and deposited in the revolving fund established pursuant to section 55-03-04 are appropriated to the state historical society for the purposes provided in chapter 55-03, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS. All gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the state historical society and deposited with the state treasurer pursuant to section 55-01-04 are appropriated to the state historical society for the purposes provided in section 55-01-04, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

**SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS
FUND - MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.**

1. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of ~~\$32,458,000~~\$27,238,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina state museum exhibit designs and objects, ~~\$20,000,000~~\$15,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for

the repayment of a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project from the 2023-25 biennium, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center, ~~\$3,570,000~~ \$2,000,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, ~~\$1,100,000~~ \$250,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, ~~\$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant,~~ \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$1,000,000 is for ~~America's~~ America 250th celebration activities in Medora.

2. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic theater restoration grant program only to the extent the organization has secured one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every ~~two dollars~~ one dollar provided by the state historical society. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic opera house restoration grant, historic museum repairs grant, historic movie theater improvement grant, and historic armory restoration grant programs only to the extent the organizations have secured one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state historical society. The state historical society may accept matching funds raised during or prior to the 2025-27 biennium for programs under this subsection.

3. The state historical society may access the \$15,000,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund for the military gallery expansion project in section 1 of this Act only upon certification from the director of the state historical society to the office of management and budget that at least fifty percent, or \$19,372,262, of the \$38,744,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery expansion project in section 1 of this Act, has been pledged from nonstate sources for the project.

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June 30, 2027. The interest rate on the line of credit may not exceed the prevailing interest rate charged to North Dakota governmental entities. If the state historical society accesses the line of credit, the state historical society shall request a deficiency appropriation from the seventieth legislative assembly to repay the line of credit.

SECTION 8. OTHER FUNDS - DONATIONS. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of ~~\$43,294,524~~\$39,094,524 from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, ~~\$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project,~~ and \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center.

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SECTION 9. OTHER FUNDS - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$100,000 of grant funding from the department of transportation for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark interpretive center.

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55-01-02.1. Society to have jurisdiction over heritage center.

The society has jurisdiction over the administration and operations of the North Dakota heritage center building. The director of the office of management and budget is responsible for maintenance of the heritage center building. The adjutant general is responsible for all public displays, signage, and museum content for the military gallery within the North Dakota heritage center building, which must be managed by the North Dakota national guard. The society shall maintain the collections displayed and stored at the heritage center and shall provide, or arrange, for the security of those collections. The society shall establish a policy that authorizes the consumption of alcoholic beverages, including distilled spirits as defined in section 5-01-01,

1 at the heritage center during an event that is open only to invited guests and if the alcoholic
2 beverages are dispensed by a qualified alcoholic beverage licensee.

3 **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The \$4,200,000 appropriated from the strategic investment
4 and improvements fund in section 1 of this Act to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for
5 the military gallery expansion project is declared to be an emergency measure.

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1018 - State Historical Society - Senate Action**

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
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New and vacant FTE pool		934,276		934,276
Operating expenses	3,443,236	9,927,651	(\$4,400,000)	5,527,651
Capital assets	1,330,184	85,767,833	(2,170,000)	83,597,833
Grants	928,340	4,620,840	(1,850,000)	2,770,840
Cultural heritage grants	500,000			
America's 250th celebration		2,000,000	(1,000,000)	1,000,000
Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$123,396,907	(\$9,420,000)	\$113,976,907
Less estimated income	2,434,264	99,985,680	(9,420,000)	90,565,680
General fund	\$20,600,349	\$23,411,227	\$0	\$23,411,227
FTE	83.50	85.50	0.00	85.50

Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Senate Changes

	Adjusts One- Time Funding for the Military Gallery Expansion Project ¹	Reduces One- Time Funding for Medora Area Planning ²	Reduces One- Time Funding for Grants ³	Reduces Funding for America 250th Celebration Activities ⁴	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages					
New and vacant FTE pool					
Operating expenses	(\$4,200,000)	(\$200,000)			(\$4,400,000)
Capital assets	(800,000)	(1,370,000)			(2,170,000)
Grants			(\$1,850,000)		(1,850,000)
Cultural heritage grants					
America's 250th celebration				(\$1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total all funds	(\$5,000,000)	(\$1,570,000)	(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,000,000)	(\$9,420,000)
Less estimated income	(5,000,000)	(1,570,000)	(1,850,000)	(1,000,000)	(9,420,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ One-time funding for the military gallery expansion project is adjusted as follows:

	Strategic Investment and Improvements Fund (SIIF)	Donations	Total
Reduces funding for the military gallery expansion project	(\$5,000,000)	\$0	(\$5,000,000)
Adjusts funding for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project and transfers the funding from the operating expenses line item to the capital assets line item.	4,200,000	(4,200,000)	0
Total	(\$800,000)	(\$4,200,000)	(\$5,000,000)

² One-time funding of (\$1,570,000) is removed from SIIF for Medora area planning to provide a total of \$2,000,000. The House approved \$3,570,000 from SIIF.

³ One-time funding of (\$1,850,000) is reduced from SIIF for grants, including a (\$850,000) reduction for a historic theater restoration grant to provide a total of \$250,000 and the removal of (\$1,000,000) for a Medora transportation improvement grant. The House approved \$1,100,000 from SIIF for the historic theater restoration grant and \$1,000,000 from SIIF for the Medora transportation improvement grant.

⁴ One-time funding of (\$1,000,000) is reduced from SIIF for America 250th celebration activities to provide a total of \$1,000,000 for a grant for Medora celebration activities. The House approved \$2,000,000 from SIIF, including

\$1,825,000 for the Governor's gallery exhibit, \$50,000 for temporary salaries, \$75,000 for professional programming, and \$50,000 for repairs.

House Bill No. 1018 - Other Changes - Senate Action

This amendment also:

- Amends a section identifying \$27,238,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF. The House appropriated \$32,458,000. The Senate amendment includes matching requirements for all grant funding from SIIF and allows matching funds raised prior to the 2025-27 biennium be eligible to match funds provided by the state. The Senate amendment also provides the \$15,000,000 appropriated from SIIF for the military gallery expansion project may not be accessed until the State Historical Society has received pledges totaling 50 percent, or \$19,372,262, of the amount of donations appropriated for the project (\$38,744,524).
- Amends a section identifying \$39,094,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery expansion project (\$38,744,524) and inspiration gallery update (\$350,000). The House appropriated \$43,294,524, including \$4,200,000 for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.
- Adds a section to identify \$100,000 of grant funding appropriated in the base budget in Section 1 is from the Department of Transportation for expenses related to the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center.
- Adds a section to amend North Dakota Century Code Section 55-01-02.1 to provide the military gallery at the Heritage Center must be operated and maintained by the State Historical Society and that all public displays, signage, and museum content be managed by the Adjutant General and the North Dakota National Guard.
- Removes a section added by the House providing an exemption from SIIF for critical repairs and historic site structures appropriated for the 2023-25 biennium. The State Historical Society has authority in North Dakota Century Code Section 54-44.1-11 to allow the agency to continue unexpended appropriations into future bienniums.
- Adds a section to declare the \$4,200,000 appropriated from SIIF to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project an emergency measure.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
ENGROSSED HB 1018**

Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.0162.02002](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1018 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

25.0162.02002
Title.
Fiscal No. 2

Prepared by the Legislative Council
staff for Senate Appropriations -
Education and Environment Division
Committee

April 4, 2025

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical
2 society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; to amend and reenact section
3 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to jurisdiction of the heritage center; and
4 to ~~provide an exemption~~ declare an emergency.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
7 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
8 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
9 federal funds, to the state historical society for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
10 state historical society, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as
11 follows:

		Adjustments or	
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
14 Salaries and wages	\$16,832,853	\$3,313,454	\$20,146,307
15 New and vacant FTE pool	0	934,276	934,276
16 Operating expenses	3,443,236	6,484,415	9,927,651
17 Capital assets	1,330,184	84,437,649	85,767,833
18 Grants	928,340	3,692,500	4,620,840
19 <u>Operating expenses</u>	<u>3,443,236</u>	<u>2,084,415</u>	<u>5,527,651</u>

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1	Capital assets	1,330,184	82,267,649	83,597,833
2	Grants	928,340	1,842,500	2,770,840
3	Cultural heritage grants	.500,000	(500,000)	0
4	America's 250th celebration	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
5	Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$100,362,294	\$123,396,907
6	Less other funds	2,434,264	97,551,416	99,985,680
7	America 250 th celebration	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
8	Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$90,942,294	\$113,976,907
9	Less other funds	2,434,264	88,131,416	90,565,680
10	Total general fund	\$20,600,349	\$2,810,878	\$23,411,227
11	Full-time equivalent positions	83.50	2.00	85.50

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO

SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act which are not included in the entity's base budget for the 2027-29 biennium and which the entity shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly regarding the use of this funding:

17	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
18	Temporary staff salaries and operating	\$10,225	\$52,011	\$62,236
19	Repatriation compliance costs	100,000	0	100,000
20	Pembina state museum exhibits	0	638,000	638,000
21	Underrepresented community program	0	75,000	75,000
22	Military gallery expansion project	0	82,944,524	82,944,524
23	Military gallery expansion project	0	77,944,524	77,944,524
24	Inspiration gallery updates	0	700,000	700,000
25	Medora area planning	0	3,570,000	3,570,000
26	Medora area planning	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
27	State archive storage updates	207,500	0	207,500
28	Historical structures and buildings	0	3,000,000	3,000,000
29	improvements			
30	Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	0	750,000	750,000
31	Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000

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1	<u>Historic theater restoration grant</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
2	Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
3	Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
4	Historic movie theater improvement grant	0	250,000	250,000
5	Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
6	Historic armory restoration grant	0	100,000	100,000
7	America's 250th celebration	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
8	Total	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260
9	<u>America 250th celebration</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
10	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$317,725</u>	<u>\$87,209,535</u>	<u>\$87,527,260</u>

11 **SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST.** The
12 state historical society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line
13 item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer
14 funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the salaries and wages line item in
15 accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as
16 approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

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20 the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

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23 deposited with the state treasurer pursuant to section 55-01-04 are appropriated to the state
24 historical society for the purposes provided in section 55-01-04, for the biennium beginning
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26 **SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND**
27 **- MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.**

28 1. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of
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7 grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, ~~\$1,000,000 is for a~~
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New and vacant FTE pool					
Operating expenses	(\$4,200,000)	(\$200,000)			(\$4,400,000)
Capital assets	(800,000)	(1,370,000)			(2,170,000)
Grants			(\$1,850,000)		(1,850,000)
Cultural heritage grants					
America's 250th celebration				(\$1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total all funds	(\$5,000,000)	(\$1,570,000)	(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,000,000)	(\$9,420,000)
Less estimated income	(5,000,000)	(1,570,000)	(1,850,000)	(1,000,000)	(9,420,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ One-time funding for the military gallery expansion project is adjusted as follows:

	Strategic Investment and Improvements Fund (SIIF)	Donations	Total
Reduces funding for the military gallery expansion project	(\$5,000,000)	\$0	(\$5,000,000)
Adjusts funding for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project and transfers the funding from the operating expenses line item to the capital assets line item.	4,200,000	(4,200,000)	0
Total	(\$800,000)	(\$4,200,000)	(\$5,000,000)

² One-time funding of (\$1,570,000) is removed from SIIF for Medora area planning to provide a total of \$2,000,000. The House approved \$3,570,000 from SIIF.

³ One-time funding of (\$1,850,000) is reduced from SIIF for grants, including a (\$850,000) reduction for a historic theater restoration grant to provide a total of \$250,000 and the removal of (\$1,000,000) for a Medora transportation improvement grant. The House approved \$1,100,000 from SIIF for the historic theater restoration grant and \$1,000,000 from SIIF for the Medora transportation improvement grant.

⁴ One-time funding of (\$1,000,000) is reduced from SIIF for America 250th celebration activities to provide a total of \$1,000,000 for a grant for Medora celebration activities. The House approved \$2,000,000 from SIIF, including

\$1,825,000 for the Governor's gallery exhibit, \$50,000 for temporary salaries, \$75,000 for professional programming, and \$50,000 for repairs.

House Bill No. 1018 - Other Changes - Senate Action

This amendment also:

- Amends a section identifying \$27,238,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF. The House appropriated \$32,458,000. The Senate amendment includes matching requirements for all grant funding from SIIF and allows matching funds raised prior to the 2025-27 biennium be eligible to match funds provided by the state. The Senate amendment also provides the \$15,000,000 appropriated from SIIF for the military gallery expansion project may not be accessed until the State Historical Society has received pledges totaling 50 percent, or \$19,372,262, of the amount of donations appropriated for the project (\$38,744,524).
- Amends a section identifying \$39,094,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery expansion project (\$38,744,524) and inspiration gallery update (\$350,000). The House appropriated \$43,294,524, including \$4,200,000 for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.
- Adds a section to identify \$100,000 of grant funding appropriated in the base budget in Section 1 is from the Department of Transportation for expenses related to the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center.
- Adds a section to amend North Dakota Century Code Section 55-01-02.1 to provide the military gallery at the Heritage Center must be operated and maintained by the State Historical Society and that all public displays, signage, and museum content be managed by the Adjutant General and the North Dakota National Guard.
- Removes a section added by the House providing an exemption from SIIF for critical repairs and historic site structures appropriated for the 2023-25 biennium. The State Historical Society has authority in North Dakota Century Code Section 54-44.1-11 to allow the agency to continue unexpended appropriations into future bienniums.
- Adds a section to declare the \$4,200,000 appropriated from SIIF to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project an emergency measure.

2025 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

HB 1018

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division

Rough Rider Room, State Capitol

HB 1018

4/17/2025

Conference Committee

A Bill for an Act to provide for an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; to amend and reenact section 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to jurisdiction of the heritage center; and to declare an emergency.

11:01 a.m. Chairman Louser opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Louser, Representatives Hanson, Martinson, Senators Meyer, Conley, Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- Medora
- Heritage Center

11:03 a.m. Senator Meyer explained funding changes on long sheet for HB 1018 #45078.

11:13 a.m. Chairman Louser adjourned the meeting.

Krystal Eberle for Steven Riehl, Committee Clerk

April 16, 2025



State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

	House Version				Senate Version				Senate Compared to House Version			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	Increase (Decrease)			
									FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)				\$0
Salary increase		572,726	65,130	637,856		572,726	65,130	637,856				0
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449		458,503	51,946	510,449				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016		360,978	770,038	1,131,016				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376		558,225	79,151	637,376				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool		(38,888)		(38,888)		(38,888)		(38,888)				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)		(224,858)	(25,551)	(250,409)				0
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080	1.00	190,080		190,080				0
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076	1.00	208,076		208,076				0
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088		945,088		945,088				0
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		390,356		390,356		390,356		390,356				0
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402			172,402	172,402				0
Adds funding for IT increases		71,996		71,996		71,996		71,996				0
Adds funding for increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and utilities		186,163		186,163		186,163		186,163				0
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000		37,000		37,000				0
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0				0				0
Removes funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)		(592,375)				0
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)		(42,000)				0
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500			27,500	27,500				0
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)		(500,000)				0
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$2,493,153	\$921,881	\$3,415,034	2.00	\$2,493,153	\$921,881	\$3,415,034	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
One-Time Funding Items												
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000			\$50,000	\$50,000				\$0
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$10,225		10,225		\$10,225		10,225				0
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000		100,000		100,000				0
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011			2,011	2,011				0
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects			638,000	638,000			638,000	638,000				0
Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community program			75,000	75,000			75,000	75,000				0
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			78,744,524	78,744,524			73,744,524	73,744,524			(\$5,000,000)	(5,000,000)

Adds funding for the repayment of the 2023-25 Bank of North Dakota line of credit			4,200,000	4,200,000			4,200,000	4,200,000				0
Adds funding to update the inspiration gallery			700,000	700,000			700,000	700,000				0
Adds funding for Medora area planning			3,570,000	3,570,000			2,000,000	2,000,000			(1,570,000)	(1,570,000)
Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500		207,500		207,500				0
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings			3,000,000	3,000,000			3,000,000	3,000,000				0
Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000			750,000	750,000				0
Adds funding for a historic theater restoration grant			1,100,000	1,100,000			250,000	250,000			(850,000)	(850,000)
Adds funding for a historic opera house restoration grant			250,000	250,000			250,000	250,000				0
Adds funding for a historic museum repairs grant			200,000	200,000			200,000	200,000				0
Adds funding for a historic movie theater improvement grant			250,000	250,000			250,000	250,000				0
Adds funding for a Medora transportation improvement grant			1,000,000	1,000,000			0	0			(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Adds funding for a historic armory restoration grant			100,000	100,000			100,000	100,000				0
Adds funding for America 250th celebration activities			2,000,000	2,000,000			1,000,000	1,000,000			(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260	0.00	\$317,725	\$87,209,535	\$87,527,260	0.00	\$0	(\$9,420,000)	(\$9,420,000)
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$2,810,878	\$97,551,416	\$100,362,294	2.00	\$2,810,878	\$88,131,416	\$90,942,294	0.00	\$0	(\$9,420,000)	(\$9,420,000)
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$23,411,227	\$99,985,680	\$123,396,907	85.50	\$23,411,227	\$90,565,680	\$113,976,907	0.00	\$0	(\$9,420,000)	(\$9,420,000)

Federal funds included in other funds

\$3,518,520

\$3,518,520

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Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level

2.4%

12.1%

37.9%

14.8%

2.4%

12.1%

37.9%

14.8%

N/A

N/A

N/A

N/A

Total changes - Percentage of base level

2.4%

13.6%

4007.4%

435.7%

2.4%

13.6%

3620.5%

394.8%

N/A

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N/A

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version
New and vacant FTE pool line item	Section 3 provides the State Historical Society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE funding pool line item but may request the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funds to the salaries and wages line item.	Section 3 provides the State Historical Society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE funding pool line item but may request the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funds to the salaries and wages line item.
Appropriation - Revolving fund	Section 4 appropriates all fees collected and deposited in the revolving fund to the State Historical Society.	Section 4 appropriates all fees collected and deposited in the revolving fund to the State Historical Society.
Appropriation - Gifts, grants, and bequests	Section 5 appropriates all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society to the State Historical Society.	Section 5 appropriates all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society to the State Historical Society.

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
SIIF - Matching funds	Section 6 identifies \$32,458,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$20,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$3,570,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$1,100,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$2,000,000 is for America 250 semiquincentennial activities. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$2 provided from the state.	Section 6 identifies \$27,238,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs and objects, \$15,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is to repay the 2023-25 biennium line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center, \$2,000,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, \$250,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$1,000,000 is for America 250th semiquincentennial celebration activities. Funding for the historic theater restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$1 provided from the state. Funding for the historic opera house restoration grant, historic museum repairs grant, historic movie theater improvement grant, and historic armory restoration grant requires \$1 of matching funds from grant recipients for every \$2 provided by the state. Matching funds raised prior to the 2025-27 biennium are eligible to match grants identified in this section. Funding from SIIF for the military gallery expansion project may be accessed only upon certification from the State Historical Society to the Office of Management and Budget that 50 percent of the \$38,744,524 appropriated from donated funds for the project have been pledged.	
Bank of North Dakota line of credit - Military gallery expansion project	Section 7 identifies \$20,000,000 appropriated in Section 1 is from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.	Section 7 identifies \$20,000,000 appropriated in Section 1 is from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.	
Other funds - Military gallery expansion project and Inspiration gallery update	Section 8 identifies \$43,294,524 appropriated in Section 1 is from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project, and \$350,000 is to update the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center.	Section 8 identifies \$39,094,524 appropriated in Section 1 is from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project and \$350,000 is to update the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota Heritage Center.	
Other funds - Department of Transportation		Section 9 identifies \$100,000 appropriated in the other funds line item in Section 1 is from the Department of Transportation for defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center for the 2025-27 biennium.	
Amendment - Military gallery		Section 10 amends Section 55-01-2.1 of the North Dakota Century Code to provide the military gallery at the Heritage Center must be operated and maintained by the State Historical Society and that all public displays, signage, and museum content be managed by the Adjutant General and the North Dakota National Guard.	
Exemption - SIIF	Section 9 allows the State Historical Society to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,250,000 appropriated from SIIF for critical repairs to historic site structures and the \$300,000 appropriated from SIIF for creating new and repairing existing exhibits during the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.		

Other Sections in State Historical Society - Budget No. 701

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
Emergency - Line of credit repayment		Section 11 provides the \$4,200,000 appropriated from SIIF in Section 1 for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project is declared an emergency measure.	

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Prairie Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
4/21/2025
Conference Committee

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; to amend and reenact section 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to jurisdiction of the heritage center; and to declare an emergency.

11:33 a.m. Chairman Louser called the meeting to order.

Members present: Chairman Louser, Martinson, Hanson, Senators Meyer, Conley, Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- Medora Transportation Improvement
- Capitol Celebration

11:34 a.m. Senator Thomas reviewed proposed changes to budget #45109.

11:41 a.m. Recess.

11:45 a.m. Reconvened.

11:47 a.m. Chairman Louser adjourned the meeting.

Krystal Eberle for Steven Riehl, Committee Clerk

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Education and Environment Division
Committee

April 4, 2025

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state historical
2 society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; to amend and reenact section
3 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to jurisdiction of the heritage center; and
4 to ~~provide an exemption~~declare an emergency.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

6 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
7 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
8 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
9 federal funds, to the state historical society for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
10 state historical society, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as
11 follows:

12			Adjustments or	
13		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
14	Salaries and wages	\$16,832,853	\$3,313,454	\$20,146,307
15	New and vacant FTE pool	0	934,276	934,276
16	Operating expenses	3,443,236	6,484,415	9,927,651
17	Capital assets	1,330,184	84,437,649	85,767,833
18	Grants	928,340	3,692,500	4,620,840
19	Operating expenses	3,443,236	2,084,415	5,527,651

1	Capital assets	1,330,184	82,267,649	83,597,833
2	Grants	928,340	1,842,500	2,770,840
3	Cultural heritage grants	500,000	(500,000)	0
4	America's 250th celebration	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
5	Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$100,362,294	\$123,396,907
6	Less other funds	2,434,264	97,551,416	99,985,680
7	America 250 th celebration	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
8	Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$90,942,294	\$113,976,907
9	Less other funds	2,434,264	88,131,416	90,565,680
10	Total general fund	\$20,600,349	\$2,810,878	\$23,411,227
11	Full-time equivalent positions	83.50	2.00	85.50

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO

SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act which are not included in the entity's base budget for the 2027-29 biennium and which the entity shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly regarding the use of this funding:

17	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
18	Temporary staff salaries and operating	\$10,225	\$52,011	\$62,236
19	Repatriation compliance costs	100,000	0	100,000
20	Pembina state museum exhibits	0	638,000	638,000
21	Underrepresented community program	0	75,000	75,000
22	Military gallery expansion project	0	82,944,524	82,944,524
23	Military gallery expansion project	0	77,944,524	77,944,524
24	Inspiration gallery updates	0	700,000	700,000
25	Medora area planning	0	3,570,000	3,570,000
26	Medora area planning	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
27	State archive storage updates	207,500	0	207,500
28	Historical structures and buildings	0	3,000,000	3,000,000
29	improvements			
30	Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	0	750,000	750,000
31	Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000

1	<u>Historic theater restoration grant</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>	<u>250,000</u>
2	Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000
3	Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
4	Historic movie theater improvement grant	0	250,000	250,000
5	Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
6	Historic armory restoration grant	0	100,000	100,000
7	America's 250th celebration	0	2,000,000	2,000,000
8	Total	\$317,725	\$96,629,535	\$96,947,260
9	<u>America 250th celebration</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>	<u>1,000,000</u>
10	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$317,725</u>	<u>\$87,209,535</u>	<u>\$87,527,260</u>

SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST. The state historical society may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the salaries and wages line item in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REVOLVING FUND. All fees collected by the state historical society and deposited in the revolving fund established pursuant to section 55-03-04 are appropriated to the state historical society for the purposes provided in chapter 55-03, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS. All gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the state historical society and deposited with the state treasurer pursuant to section 55-01-04 are appropriated to the state historical society for the purposes provided in section 55-01-04, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

**SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS
FUND - MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.**

1. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of ~~\$32,458,000~~\$27,238,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$638,000 is for Pembina state museum exhibit designs and objects, ~~\$20,000,000~~\$15,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for

the repayment of a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project from the 2023-25 biennium. \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center, ~~\$3,570,000~~ \$2,000,000 is for Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, ~~\$1,100,000~~ \$250,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, ~~\$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant,~~ \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$1,000,000 is for ~~America's~~ America 250th celebration activities in Medora.

2. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic theater restoration grant program only to the extent the organization has secured one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every ~~two dollars~~ one dollar provided by the state historical society. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic opera house restoration grant, historic museum repairs grant, historic movie theater improvement grant, and historic armory restoration grant programs only to the extent the organizations have secured one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state historical society. The state historical society may accept matching funds raised during or prior to the 2025-27 biennium for programs under this subsection.

3. The state historical society may access the \$15,000,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund for the military gallery expansion project in section 1 of this Act only upon certification from the director of the state historical society to the office of management and budget that at least fifty percent, or \$19,372,262, of the \$38,744,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery expansion project in section 1 of this Act, has been pledged from nonstate sources for the project.

SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA LINE OF CREDIT - MILITARY GALLERY EXPANSION PROJECT. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$20,000,000, which the state historical society may borrow through a line of credit from the Bank of North Dakota during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending

June 30, 2027. The interest rate on the line of credit may not exceed the prevailing interest rate charged to North Dakota governmental entities. If the state historical society accesses the line of credit, the state historical society shall request a deficiency appropriation from the seventieth legislative assembly to repay the line of credit.

SECTION 8. OTHER FUNDS - DONATIONS. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of ~~\$43,294,524~~\$39,094,524 from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, ~~\$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project,~~ and \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center.

~~**SECTION 9. EXEMPTION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.**
The amount of \$3,550,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund in section 1 of chapter 50 of the 2023 Session Laws, of which \$3,250,000 was for critical repairs to historic site structures and \$300,000 was for creating new and repairing existing exhibits, is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and is available to the state historical society for each project or program during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.~~

SECTION 9. OTHER FUNDS - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$100,000 of grant funding from the department of transportation for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark interpretive center.

SECTION 10. AMENDMENT. Section 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

55-01-02.1. Society to have jurisdiction over heritage center.

The society has jurisdiction over the administration and operations of the North Dakota heritage center building. The director of the office of management and budget is responsible for maintenance of the heritage center building. The adjutant general is responsible for all public displays, signage, and museum content for the military gallery within the North Dakota heritage center building, which must be managed by the North Dakota national guard. The society shall maintain the collections displayed and stored at the heritage center and shall provide, or arrange, for the security of those collections. The society shall establish a policy that authorizes the consumption of alcoholic beverages, including distilled spirits as defined in section 5-01-01,

1 at the heritage center during an event that is open only to invited guests and if the alcoholic
2 beverages are dispensed by a qualified alcoholic beverage licensee.

3 **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The \$4,200,000 appropriated from the strategic investment
4 and improvements fund in section 1 of this Act to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for
5 the military gallery expansion project is declared to be an emergency measure.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Education and Environment Division Prairie Room, State Capitol

HB 1018
4/24/2025
Conference Committee

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10:03 a.m. Chairman Louser called the meeting to order.

Members present: Chairman Louser, Representatives Hanson, Martinson, Senators Conley, Meyer and Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- Medora celebration
- Bismarck celebration

10:10 a.m. Recessed

10:16 a.m. Reconvened

10:16 a.m. Representative Hanson reviewed amendment LC #25.0162.02004, #45164.

10:19 a.m. Dr. Bill Peterson, Director, ND Historical Society, answered questions.

10:29 a.m. Chairman Louser adjourned the meeting.

Krystal Eberle for Steven Riehl, Committee Clerk

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April 21, 2025

Sixty-ninth
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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

Introduced by

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2 society; to authorize a Bank of North Dakota line of credit; to amend and reenact section
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4 to provide an exemption declare an emergency.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

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7 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
8 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
9 federal funds, to the state historical society for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
10 state historical society, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as
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3	Cultural heritage grants	500,000	(500,000)	0
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5	<u>Total all funds</u>	<u>\$23,034,613</u>	<u>\$100,362,294</u>	<u>\$123,396,907</u>
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21	Military gallery expansion project	0	82,944,524	82,944,524
22	<u>Military gallery expansion project</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>77,944,524</u>	<u>77,944,524</u>
23	Inspiration gallery updates	0	700,000	700,000
24	Medora area planning	0	3,570,000	3,570,000
25	<u>Medora area planning</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
26	State archive storage updates	207,500	0	207,500
27	Historical structures and buildings	0	3,000,000	3,000,000
28	improvements			
29	Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants	0	750,000	750,000
30	Historic theater restoration grant	0	1,100,000	1,100,000
31	Historic opera house restoration grant	0	250,000	250,000

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1	Historic museum repairs grant	0	200,000	200,000
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3	Medora transportation improvement grant	0	1,000,000	1,000,000
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5	America's 250 th celebration	<u>0</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>2,000,000</u>
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8 **SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST.** The
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13 approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

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15 historical society and deposited in the revolving fund established pursuant to section 55-03-04
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17 the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

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20 deposited with the state treasurer pursuant to section 55-01-04 are appropriated to the state
21 historical society for the purposes provided in section 55-01-04, for the biennium beginning
22 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

23 **SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS**
24 **FUND - MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.**

25 1. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of
26 ~~\$32,458,000~~\$27,488,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of
27 which \$638,000 is for Pembina state museum exhibit designs and objects,
28 ~~\$20,000,000~~\$15,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for
29 the repayment of a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery
30 expansion project from the 2023-25 biennium. \$350,000 is for an update to the
31 inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center, ~~\$3,570,000~~\$2,000,000 is for

1 Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and
2 buildings, \$1,100,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a
3 historic opera house restoration grant, \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant,
4 \$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1,000,000 is for a
5 Medora transportation improvement grant, \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration
6 grant, and \$2,000,000 is for America's America 250th celebration activities, of which
7 \$1,000,000 is for state-related celebration activities and \$1,000,000 is for
8 Medora-related celebration activities.

9 2. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic theater-
10 restoration grant program only to the extent the organization has secured one dollar of
11 matching funds from nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state
12 historical society museum repairs grant and historic armory restoration grant programs
13 only to the extent the organizations have secured one dollar of matching funds from
14 nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state historical society. The
15 state historical society may accept matching funds raised during or prior to the
16 2025-27 biennium for programs under this subsection.

17 3. The state historical society may access the \$15,000,000 appropriated from the
18 strategic investment and improvements fund for the military gallery expansion project
19 in section 1 of this Act only upon certification from the director of the state historical
20 society to the office of management and budget that at least thirty-three percent, or
21 \$12,785,693, of the \$38,744,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery
22 expansion project in section 1 of this Act, has been pledged from nonstate sources for
23 the project.

24 **SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA LINE OF CREDIT - MILITARY**
25 **GALLERY EXPANSION PROJECT.** The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes
26 the sum of \$20,000,000, which the state historical society may borrow through a line of credit
27 from the Bank of North Dakota during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending
28 June 30, 2027. The interest rate on the line of credit may not exceed the prevailing interest rate
29 charged to North Dakota governmental entities. If the state historical society accesses the line
30 of credit, the state historical society shall request a deficiency appropriation from the seventieth
31 legislative assembly to repay the line of credit.

1 **SECTION 8. OTHER FUNDS - DONATIONS.** The other funds line item in section 1 of this
2 Act includes the sum of ~~\$43,294,524~~ \$39,094,524 from other funds derived from donations, of
3 which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, ~~\$4,200,000 is for the repayment~~
4 ~~of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion~~
5 ~~project~~, and \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage
6 center.

7 ~~**SECTION 9. EXEMPTION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.**~~
8 ~~The amount of \$3,550,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund~~
9 ~~in section 1 of chapter 50 of the 2023 Session Laws, of which \$3,250,000 was for critical repairs~~
10 ~~to historic site structures and \$300,000 was for creating new and repairing existing exhibits, is~~
11 ~~not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and is available to the state historical society for each project~~
12 ~~or program during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.~~

13 **SECTION 9. OTHER FUNDS - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT.** The other
14 funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$100,000 of grant funding from the department of
15 transportation for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark interpretive
16 center.

17 **SECTION 10. AMENDMENT.** Section 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
18 amended and reenacted as follows:

19 **55-01-02.1. Society to have jurisdiction over heritage center.**

20 The society has jurisdiction over the administration and operations of the North Dakota
21 heritage center building. The director of the office of management and budget is responsible for
22 maintenance of the heritage center building. The society, in consultation with the adjutant
23 general, is responsible for all public displays, signage, and museum content for the military
24 gallery within the North Dakota heritage center building. The society and the adjutant general
25 shall enter into a memorandum of agreement to establish policies on public displays, signage,
26 and museum content for the military gallery. The regimental room of the military gallery shall be
27 named the North Dakota national guard regimental room. The society shall maintain the
28 collections displayed and stored at the heritage center and shall provide, or arrange, for the
29 security of those collections. The society shall establish a policy that authorizes the
30 consumption of alcoholic beverages, including distilled spirits as defined in section 5-01-01, at

1 the heritage center during an event that is open only to invited guests and if the alcoholic
2 beverages are dispensed by a qualified alcoholic beverage licensee.

3 **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The following are declared to be an emergency measure:

- 4 1. \$4,200,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund in
5 section 1 of this Act to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military
6 gallery expansion project; and
- 7 2. \$15,000,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund in
8 section 1 of this Act for the military gallery expansion project.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1018 - State Historical Society - Conference Committee Action**

	Base Budget	House Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	Senate Version	Comparison to Senate
Salaries and wages	\$16,832,853	\$20,146,307		\$20,146,307	\$20,146,307	
New and vacant FTE pool		934,276		934,276	934,276	
Operating expenses	3,443,236	9,927,651	(\$4,400,000)	5,527,651	5,527,651	
Capital assets	1,330,184	85,767,833	(2,170,000)	83,597,833	83,597,833	
Grants	928,340	4,620,840	(2,600,000)	2,020,840	2,770,840	(\$750,000)
Cultural heritage grants	500,000					
America's 250th celebration		2,000,000		2,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$123,396,907	(\$9,170,000)	\$114,226,907	\$113,976,907	\$250,000
Less estimated income	2,434,264	99,985,680	(9,170,000)	90,815,680	90,565,680	250,000
General fund	\$20,600,349	\$23,411,227	\$0	\$23,411,227	\$23,411,227	\$0
FTE	83.50	85.50	0.00	85.50	85.50	0.00

Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Adjusts One- Time Funding for the Military Gallery Expansion Project ¹	Reduces One- Time Funding for Medora Area Planning ²	Reduces One- Time Funding for Grants ³	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages				
New and vacant FTE pool				
Operating expenses	(\$4,200,000)	(\$200,000)		(\$4,400,000)
Capital assets	(800,000)	(1,370,000)		(2,170,000)
Grants			(\$2,600,000)	(2,600,000)
Cultural heritage grants				
America's 250th celebration				
Total all funds	(\$5,000,000)	(\$1,570,000)	(\$2,600,000)	(\$9,170,000)
Less estimated income	(5,000,000)	(1,570,000)	(2,600,000)	(9,170,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ One-time funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) and donations for the military gallery expansion project is adjusted as follows:

	<u>SIIF</u>	<u>Donations</u>	<u>Total</u>
Reduces funding for the military gallery expansion project, the same as approved by the Senate.	(\$5,000,000)	\$0	(\$5,000,000)
Adjusts funding for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project and transfers the funding from the operating expenses line item to the capital assets line item, the same as approved by the Senate.	4,200,000	(4,200,000)	0
Total	(\$800,000)	(\$4,200,000)	(\$5,000,000)

² One-time funding of (\$1,570,000) is removed from SIIF for Medora area planning to provide a total of \$2,000,000, the same as approved by the Senate. The House approved \$3,570,000 from SIIF.

³ One-time funding of (\$2.6 million) is removed from SIIF for grants, including (\$1.1 million) for a historic theater restoration grant, (\$250,000) for a historic opera house restoration grant, (\$250,000) is for a historic theater improvement grant, and (\$1 million) is for a Medora transportation improvement grant. The Senate approved \$250,000 for the historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 for the historic opera house restoration grant, and \$250,000 for the historic theater improvement grant, and did not provide funding for the Medora transportation improvement grant. The House approved \$1.1 million for the historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 for the historic opera house restoration grant, \$250,000 for the historic theater improvement grant, and \$1 million for the Medora transportation improvement grant.

House Bill No. 1018 - Other Changes - Conference Committee Action

This amendment also:

- Amends a section identifying \$27,488,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF. The Senate appropriated \$27,238,000. The House appropriated \$32,458,000. The conference committee amendment includes matching requirements for all grant funding from SIIF and allows matching funds raised prior to the 2025-27 biennium be eligible to match funds provided by the state, the same as approved by the Senate. The conference committee amendment also provides the \$15,000,000 appropriated from SIIF for the military gallery expansion project may not be accessed until the State Historical Society has received pledges totaling 33 percent, or \$12,785,693, of the amount of donations appropriated for the project (\$38,744,524). The Senate provided funding from SIIF could not be accessed until 50 percent, or \$19,372,262, of donations has been pledged. The House did not provide requirements to access funding from SIIF.
- Amends a section identifying \$39,094,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery expansion project (\$38,744,524) and inspiration gallery update (\$350,000), the same as provided by the Senate. The House appropriated \$43,294,524, including \$4,200,000 for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.
- Adds a section to identify \$100,000 of grant funding appropriated in the base budget in Section 1 is from the Department of Transportation for expenses related to the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, the same as provided by the Senate.
- Adds a section to amend North Dakota Century Code Section 55-01-02.1 to require the State Historical Society to collaborate with the Adjutant General on all public displays, signage, and museum content for the military gallery at the Heritage Center and provides the regimental room be named the North Dakota National Guard Regimental Room. The Senate amended the section to provide the military gallery be operated and maintained by the State Historical Society and that all public displays, signage, and museum content be managed by the Adjutant General and the North Dakota National Guard. The House did not amend Section 55-01-02.1.
- Removes a section added by the House providing an exemption from SIIF for critical repairs and historic site structures appropriated for the 2023-25 biennium. The State Historical Society has authority in North Dakota Century Code Section 54-44.1-11 to allow the agency to continue unexpended appropriations into future bienniums. The Senate also removed this section.
- Adds a section to declare the \$4.2 million appropriated from SIIF to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project and the \$15 million appropriated from SIIF for the project emergency measures. The Senate designated the \$4.2 million an emergency measure but not the \$15 million. The House did not declare an emergency measure for the project.

The conference committee amendment includes \$2 million of one-time funding from SIIF for America 250th celebration activities, of which \$1 million is for state-related activities and \$1 million is for a grant to assist in Medora-related activities. The House appropriated \$2 million, of which \$1.825 million was for the governor's gallery exhibit, \$50,000 was for temporary salaries, \$75,000 was for professional programming, and \$50,000 was for repairs. The Senate reduced the appropriation to \$1 million for Medora-related activities.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

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HB 1018
4/28/2025
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A Bill for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15.1-27-04.1, 15.1-32-19, 48-01.2-02.1, 48-01.2-10, and 57-15-14.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the determination of state aid, boarding care costs, public improvement construction, bonds from contractors for public improvements, and school district levies; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an effective date.

10:01 a.m. Chairman Louser Called the meeting to order.

Members present: Chairman Louser, Representatives Hanson, Martinson, Senators Conley, Meyer, Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- Military Museum
- Medora Construction

10:04 a.m. Representative Martinson moved to accept amendments LC #25.0162.02004, testimony #45164 from 4/24/2025.

10:04 a.m. Senator Conley seconded the motion.

10:05 a.m. Roll Call Vote. Motion passed 6-0-0.

10:05 a.m. Representative Martinson moved LC #25.0162.02004 in place of LC #25.0162.02002.

10:06 a.m. Senator Thomas seconded the motion.

10:06 a.m. Roll Call Vote. Motion passed 6-0-0.

Representative Louser and Senator Meyer will carry the bill.

10:06 a.m. Chairman Louser adjourned the meeting.

Krystal Eberle for Steven Riehl, Committee Clerk

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Medora area planning	0	3,570,000	3,570,000
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23 **SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS**
24 **FUND - MATCHING FUNDS REQUIREMENT.**

25 1. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of
26 ~~\$32,458,000~~\$27,488,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of
27 which \$638,000 is for Pembina state museum exhibit designs and objects,
28 ~~\$20,000,000~~\$15,000,000 is for the military gallery expansion project, \$4,200,000 is for
29 the repayment of a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery
30 expansion project from the 2023-25 biennium, \$350,000 is for an update to the
31 inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center, ~~\$3,570,000~~\$2,000,000 is for

Medora area planning, \$3,000,000 is for improvements to historical structures and buildings, ~~\$1,100,000 is for a historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 is for a historic opera house restoration grant,~~ \$200,000 is for a historic museum repairs grant, ~~\$250,000 is for a historic movie theater improvement grant, \$1,000,000 is for a Medora transportation improvement grant,~~ \$100,000 is for a historic armory restoration grant, and \$2,000,000 is for ~~America's~~America 250th celebration activities, of which \$1,000,000 is for state-related celebration activities and \$1,000,000 is for Medora-related celebration activities.

2. The state historical society may spend funds appropriated for the historic ~~theater restoration grant program only to the extent the organization has secured one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state historical society~~museum repairs grant and historic armory restoration grant programs only to the extent the organizations have secured one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every two dollars provided by the state historical society. The state historical society may accept matching funds raised during or prior to the 2025-27 biennium for programs under this subsection.

3. The state historical society may access the \$15,000,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund for the military gallery expansion project in section 1 of this Act only upon certification from the director of the state historical society to the office of management and budget that at least thirty-three percent, or \$12,785,693, of the \$38,744,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery expansion project in section 1 of this Act, has been pledged from nonstate sources for the project.

SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA LINE OF CREDIT - MILITARY GALLERY EXPANSION PROJECT. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$20,000,000, which the state historical society may borrow through a line of credit from the Bank of North Dakota during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The interest rate on the line of credit may not exceed the prevailing interest rate charged to North Dakota governmental entities. If the state historical society accesses the line of credit, the state historical society shall request a deficiency appropriation from the seventieth legislative assembly to repay the line of credit.

SECTION 8. OTHER FUNDS - DONATIONS. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of ~~\$43,294,524~~ \$39,094,524 from other funds derived from donations, of which \$38,744,524 is for the military gallery expansion project, ~~\$4,200,000 is for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project,~~ and \$350,000 is for an update to the inspiration gallery at the North Dakota heritage center.

~~**SECTION 9. EXEMPTION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.**
The amount of \$3,550,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund in section 1 of chapter 50 of the 2023 Session Laws, of which \$3,250,000 was for critical repairs to historic site structures and \$300,000 was for creating new and repairing existing exhibits, is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and is available to the state historical society for each project or program during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.~~

SECTION 9. OTHER FUNDS - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$100,000 of grant funding from the department of transportation for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Lewis and Clark interpretive center.

SECTION 10. AMENDMENT. Section 55-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

55-01-02.1. Society to have jurisdiction over heritage center.

The society has jurisdiction over the administration and operations of the North Dakota heritage center building. The director of the office of management and budget is responsible for maintenance of the heritage center building. The society, in consultation with the adjutant general, is responsible for all public displays, signage, and museum content for the military gallery within the North Dakota heritage center building. The society and the adjutant general shall enter a memorandum of agreement to establish policies on public displays, signage, and museum content for the military gallery. The regimental room of the military gallery must be named the North Dakota national guard regimental room. The society shall maintain the collections displayed and stored at the heritage center and shall provide, or arrange, for the security of those collections. The society shall establish a policy that authorizes the consumption of alcoholic beverages, including distilled spirits as defined in section 5-01-01, at

1 the heritage center during an event that is open only to invited guests and if the alcoholic
2 beverages are dispensed by a qualified alcoholic beverage licensee.

3 **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The following are declared to be an emergency measure:

- 4 1. \$4,200,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund in
5 section 1 of this Act to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military
6 gallery expansion project; and
7 2. \$15,000,000 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund in
8 section 1 of this Act for the military gallery expansion project.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

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House Bill No. 1018 - State Historical Society - Conference Committee Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	Senate Version	Comparison to Senate
Salaries and wages	\$16,832,853	\$20,146,307		\$20,146,307	\$20,146,307	
New and vacant FTE pool		934,276		934,276	934,276	
Operating expenses	3,443,236	9,927,651	(\$4,400,000)	5,527,651	5,527,651	
Capital assets	1,330,184	85,767,833	(2,170,000)	83,597,833	83,597,833	
Grants	928,340	4,620,840	(2,600,000)	2,020,840	2,770,840	(\$750,000)
Cultural heritage grants	500,000					
America's 250th celebration		2,000,000		2,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Total all funds	\$23,034,613	\$123,396,907	(\$9,170,000)	\$114,226,907	\$113,976,907	\$250,000
Less estimated income	2,434,264	99,985,680	(9,170,000)	90,815,680	90,565,680	250,000
General fund	\$20,600,349	\$23,411,227	\$0	\$23,411,227	\$23,411,227	\$0
FTE	83.50	85.50	0.00	85.50	85.50	0.00

Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Adjusts One-Time Funding for the Military Gallery Expansion Project ¹	Reduces One-Time Funding for Medora Area Planning ²	Reduces One-Time Funding for Grants ³	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages				
New and vacant FTE pool				
Operating expenses	(\$4,200,000)	(\$200,000)		(\$4,400,000)
Capital assets	(800,000)	(1,370,000)		(2,170,000)
Grants			(\$2,600,000)	(2,600,000)
Cultural heritage grants				
America's 250th celebration				
Total all funds	(\$5,000,000)	(\$1,570,000)	(\$2,600,000)	(\$9,170,000)
Less estimated income	(5,000,000)	(1,570,000)	(2,600,000)	(9,170,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ One-time funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) and donations for the military gallery expansion project is adjusted as follows:

	SIIF	Donations	Total
Reduces funding for the military gallery expansion project, the same as approved by the Senate.	(\$5,000,000)	\$0	(\$5,000,000)
Adjusts funding for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project and transfers the funding from the operating expenses line item to the capital assets line item, the same as approved by the Senate.	4,200,000	(4,200,000)	0
Total	(\$800,000)	(\$4,200,000)	(\$5,000,000)

² One-time funding of (\$1,570,000) is removed from SIIF for Medora area planning to provide a total of \$2,000,000, the same as approved by the Senate. The House approved \$3,570,000 from SIIF.

³ One-time funding of (\$2.6 million) is removed from SIIF for grants, including (\$1.1 million) for a historic theater restoration grant, (\$250,000) for a historic opera house restoration grant, (\$250,000) is for a historic theater improvement grant, and (\$1 million) is for a Medora transportation improvement grant. The Senate approved \$250,000 for the historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 for the historic opera house restoration grant, and \$250,000 for the historic theater improvement grant, and did not provide funding for the Medora transportation improvement grant. The House approved \$1.1 million for the historic theater restoration grant, \$250,000 for the historic opera house restoration grant, \$250,000 for the historic theater improvement grant, and \$1 million for the Medora transportation improvement grant.

House Bill No. 1018 - Other Changes - Conference Committee Action

This amendment also:

- Amends a section identifying \$27,488,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF. The Senate appropriated \$27,238,000. The House appropriated \$32,458,000. The conference committee amendment includes matching requirements for all grant funding from SIIF and allows matching funds raised prior to the 2025-27 biennium be eligible to match funds provided by the state, the same as approved by the Senate. The conference committee amendment also provides the \$15,000,000 appropriated from SIIF for the military gallery expansion project may not be accessed until the State Historical Society has received pledges totaling 33 percent, or \$12,785,693, of the amount of donations appropriated for the project (\$38,744,524). The Senate provided funding from SIIF could not be accessed until 50 percent, or \$19,372,262, of donations has been pledged. The House did not provide requirements to access funding from SIIF.
- Amends a section identifying \$39,094,524 appropriated from donations for the military gallery expansion project (\$38,744,524) and inspiration gallery update (\$350,000), the same as provided by the Senate. The House appropriated \$43,294,524, including \$4,200,000 for the repayment of a 2023-25 biennium Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project.
- Adds a section to identify \$100,000 of grant funding appropriated in the base budget in Section 1 is from the Department of Transportation for expenses related to the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, the same as provided by the Senate.
- Adds a section to amend North Dakota Century Code Section 55-01-02.1 to require the State Historical Society to collaborate with the Adjutant General on all public displays, signage, and museum content for the military gallery at the Heritage Center and provides the regimental room be named the North Dakota National Guard Regimental Room. The Senate amended the section to provide the military gallery be operated and maintained by the State Historical Society and that all public displays, signage, and museum content be managed by the Adjutant General and the North Dakota National Guard. The House did not amend Section 55-01-02.1.
- Removes a section added by the House providing an exemption from SIIF for critical repairs and historic site structures appropriated for the 2023-25 biennium. The State Historical Society has authority in North Dakota Century Code Section 54-44.1-11 to allow the agency to continue unexpended appropriations into future bienniums. The Senate also removed this section.
- Adds a section to declare the \$4.2 million appropriated from SIIF to repay a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for the military gallery expansion project and the \$15 million appropriated from SIIF for the project emergency measures. The Senate designated the \$4.2 million an emergency measure but not the \$15 million. The House did not declare an emergency measure for the project.

The conference committee amendment includes \$2 million of one-time funding from SIIF for America 250th celebration activities, of which \$1 million is for state-related activities and \$1 million is for a grant to assist in Medora-related activities. The House appropriated \$2 million, of which \$1.825 million was for the governor's gallery exhibit, \$50,000 was for temporary salaries, \$75,000 was for professional programming, and \$50,000 was for repairs. The Senate reduced the appropriation to \$1 million for Medora-related activities.

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Amendment

HB 1018

Date Submitted: April 28, 2025, 10:29 a.m.

Action: Passed

Amendment LC #: 25.0162.02004

Description of Amendment: N/A

Motioned By: Martinson, Bob

Seconded By: Conley, Cole

Emergency Clause: None

Vote Results: 6 - 0 - 0

Rep. Louser, Scott	Yea
Rep. Martinson, Bob	Yea
Rep. Hanson, Karla Rose	Yea
Sen. Meyer, Scott	Yea
Sen. Conley, Cole	Yea
Sen. Thomas, Paul J.	Yea

HB 1018 042825 1030 AM Roll Call Vote

Final Recommendation

HB 1018

Date Submitted: April 28, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

Recommendation: In Place Of

Amendment LC #: 25.0162.02004

Engrossed LC #: N/A

Description:

Motioned By: Martinson, Bob

Seconded By: Thomas, Paul

House Carrier: Louser, Scott

Senate Carrier: Meyer, Scott

Emergency Clause: None

Vote Results: 6 - 0 - 0

Rep. Louser, Scott	Yea
Rep. Martinson, Bob	Yea
Rep. Hanson, Karla Rose	Yea
Sen. Meyer, Scott	Yea
Sen. Conley, Cole	Yea
Sen. Thomas, Paul J.	Yea

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
ENGROSSED HB 1018**

Your conference committee (Sens. Meyer, Conley, Thomas and Reps. Louser, Martinson, Hanson) recommends that in place of amendment [25.0162.02002](#) adopted by the Senate, Engrossed HB 1018 is amended by amendment [25.0162.02004](#).

Engrossed HB 1018 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.