



Washington Trust for Historic Preservation Fact Sheet

Established in 1976

Washington's only statewide, nonprofit historic preservation organization

Mission/Vision Statement:

The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation is dedicated to saving the places that matter in Washington State and promoting sustainable and economically viable communities through historic preservation. The Washington Trust helps make local preservation work by building a statewide ethic that preserves Washington's historic places through advocacy, education, collaboration, and stewardship.

Membership:

Approximately 600 active members and donors, located across the state

Board of Directors:

25 board members representing every part of the state, serving three-year terms

Staff:

Nine full-time employees (Executive Director Chris Moore, Preservation Programs Director Huy Pham, Development Director Kristy Conrad, Communications Coordinator Farah Momin, Project Manager Alex Gradwohl, Main Street Director Breanne Durham, Main Street Specialist Jonelle McCoy, Resources Coordinator Lydia Felty, and Economic Vitality Specialist Luke Hallowell); one part-time employee (Operations Manager Cathy Wickwire)

Revenue Sources:

- Grants — 40%
- Stimson-Green Mansion rentals — 24%
- Membership/fundraising — 14%
- Contracts — 11%
- Program fees — 11%

Programs & Events

Advocacy

- Preservation Advocacy Week/Lobby Day — we travel to Washington, DC, every March (or convene virtually during the pandemic) to meet with lawmakers and advocate for strong preservation policy at the national level
- Most Endangered Places Program — we maintain and promote the statewide list of Most Endangered Places, bringing attention to threatened buildings, sites, and historic places
- Vintage Washington — every May we organize the annual Vintage Washington fundraiser, held in a different historic site every year and inviting participants to see inside unique historic spaces and adaptive reuse case studies
- Maritime Washington National Heritage Area — we are the designated local coordinating entity for the new national heritage area, which spans 3,000 miles of Washington's saltwater coastlines and tells the story of our state's maritime heritage
- Valerie Sivinski Fund — we distribute \$10,000 in grants to grassroots preservation projects across the state every year, which are announced at our annual Sivinski Holiday Benefit

Education

- Youth Heritage Project — we connect high school students to Washington's historic, cultural, and natural resources through a multi-day heritage field school, thereby educating the next generation of our state's stewards and advocates
- RevitalizeWA — every fall, we organize RevitalizeWA, the annual statewide preservation and economic development conference
- Revisiting Washington — we operate and promote the heritage tourism site Revisiting Washington, which highlights tours of historic and heritage sites across the state

Collaboration

- Washington State Main Street Program — in conjunction with the Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation (DAHP), we administer the Washington State Main Street Program, providing economic revitalization resources and strategies to historic downtowns
- State grant programs — in conjunction with DAHP, we operate the Heritage Barn Initiative, Historic County Courthouse Grant Program, Historic Cemeteries Grant Program, and Historic Theaters Grant Program

Stewardship

- Stimson-Green Mansion — we own, operate, and maintain the 120-year-old Stimson-Green Mansion, one of Seattle's stunning historic landmarks, preserving the building through ongoing capital projects and ensuring ongoing public access and use