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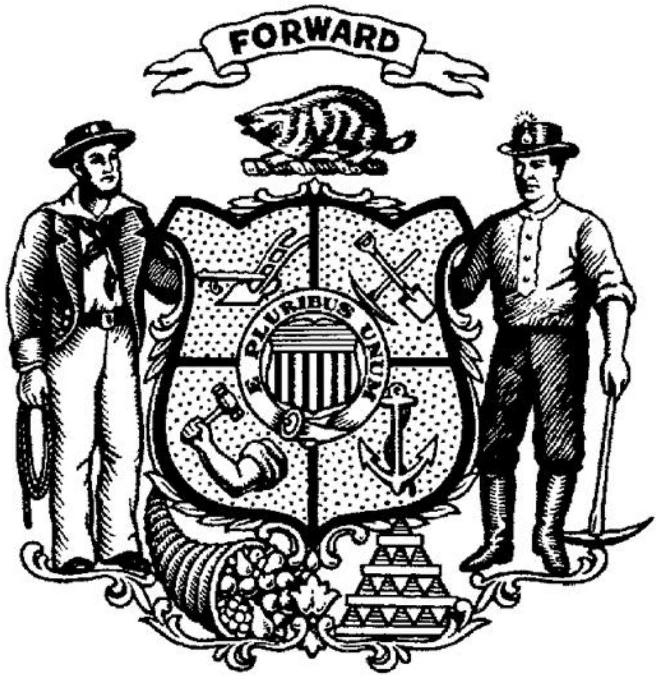
Historical Society



Agency Budget Request
2027 – 2029 Biennium
September 15, 2026

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WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

September 15, 2026

The Honorable Tony Evers
Governor
115 East, State Capitol
Madison, WI 53702

Dear Governor Evers,

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society") is pleased to submit its 2027-2029 biennial budget request. During the 2027-29 biennium, the Society will strive to improve and increase the services provided to the citizens of Wisconsin in all 72 counties and to the Tribal Nations of Wisconsin, expand access to our world-class collections, and maintain our status as a national leader among state history organizations.

To that end, the Society prioritizes three major items in this budget request:

1) Prepare to open and begin operations at the new Wisconsin History Center on the Capitol Square in Madison;
2) Ensure students across Wisconsin can access high-quality Wisconsin history education and resources through the Education in Wisconsin Initiative;
3) Complete requirements for the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act;
4) Expand statewide access and preservation of historical collections through digitization efforts;
5) Improve operational capacity and mission delivery through realignment of permanent workforce; and
6) Provide support for core operations and cybersecurity.

Thank you for your continued support of the Society's mission to connect people to the past by collecting, preserving, and sharing stories. We believe that engaging the public to increase their knowledge of relevant history will have profound societal, cultural, and economic benefit for all.

Sincerely,

Christian W. Øverland
The Ruth and Hartley Barker Director

AGENCY DESCRIPTION

Founded in 1846, prior to statehood, the Society is governed by a board of curators comprised of: 24 individuals elected by the Society's members; the Governor or his/her designee; a member of the majority and minority parties from the Senate and Assembly; three members nominated by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate; and four additional ex officio members designated by the Society's constitution. The board appoints the director, the administrative head of the agency.

Both a state agency and a membership organization, the Society leverages its state support to generate 35 percent of its annual operating budget through earned income, grants, endowments, and contributions. Services are delivered through four programmatic divisions:

Division of Library, Archives and Museum Collections
The Society has been collecting history since its founding in 1846, growing from a small manuscript library to one of the preeminent Wisconsin and North American collections in the nation. The holdings, numbering millions of items, include an extraordinary range of artifacts, manuscripts, library holdings, photographs, sound and moving images, maps and atlases, and public records documenting the archeological past to the present day. The Wisconsin history collections and North American genealogy holdings are unrivaled.

In partnership with the Department of Administration and the Wisconsin Veterans Museum, the Society operates a 188,000 square foot State Archive Preservation Facility, providing state-of-the-art environmental and physical security for these important historical and cultural resources.

This collection serves the people of Wisconsin—students, scholars and lifelong learners—in Madison, and across the State at the Society's twelve historic sites and attractions, and at eleven University of Wisconsin campus research centers. In 2027-28, the new Wisconsin History Center will become the flagship venue for the collection and stories about the people of this place.

Division of Museums and Historic Sites
The Society owns and operates two major attractions, Circus World Museum in Baraboo and Old World Wisconsin in Eagle, along with nine other historic sites across Wisconsin. In 2027, the Society will open the long-awaited new Wisconsin History Center in Madison, a new flagship attraction and portal to all the Society's resources. The Society's museums and sites increase visitors' knowledge of history and promote tourism and economic development. In addition to the daily experience at the sites, the division offers major annual holiday festivals, a big top circus during the summer, welcomes tens of thousands of students on field trips, and provides regular programs for generations of learners.

Division of Historic Preservation
The Division of Historic Preservation administers the State Register of Historic Places and Wisconsin's portion of the National Register of Historic Places, certifies building projects for federal and state historic preservation tax credits, reviews federal, state, and local government projects for their effect on historic properties, maintains the state inventory of historic buildings, structures, and archaeological sites, and administers statutes that protect American Indian and Euro-American burial sites and cemeteries.

Division of Programs and Outreach
The Division of Programs and Outreach expands the reach of the Society's mission through education, public programs, traveling exhibitions, publications, and outreach services. It also provides technical assistance to more than 440 local historical societies and assists the public with historic preservation, research, and other history-related consultation. Education programs include classroom and virtual K-12 curriculum, school field trips, summer camps, and the state National History Day. The Wisconsin Historical Society Press publishes the *Wisconsin Magazine of History*, books for general readers of all ages as well as textbooks and curriculum support materials for teachers and students.

MISSION

The Wisconsin Historical Society connects people to the past by collecting, preserving, and sharing stories.

VISION

Enriching and transforming lives through unparalleled access to history.

PROGRAMS, GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Program 1: History Services

Goal: Expedite the preservation of places of enduring value.

Objective/Activity: Facilitate Wisconsin's historic preservation programs, including private investment in historic properties utilizing the state and federal historic building rehabilitation tax credit programs.

Objective/Activity: Educate Wisconsin residents, property owners and stakeholders on Wisconsin's archaeological, maritime and built environment resources.

Goal: Enhance the understanding of history through reading, listening and learning.

Objective/Activity: Publish and distribute highly valued and widely read Wisconsin Historical Society Press (WHSP) books sold to general audiences.

Objective/Activity: Distribute highly valued WHSP student titles and textbooks to schools and students.

Objective/Activity: Provide transformative history educational experiences for middle school and high school students through the National History Day program.

Objective/Activity: Provide assistance and support to local history affiliate organizations and support to local heritage and community groups through consultations, programming and educational services.

Goal: Acquire, catalog, preserve and share collections that sustain our national reputation and provide egalitarian access to research services for seekers of historical information.

Objective/Activity: Acquire and document history through current collecting policies and collection plans.

Objective/Activity: Provide valued service and unparalleled access to the Society's research collection to patrons and visitors.

Objective/Activity: Provide assistance with electronic records to state agencies.

Goal: Use physical environments and artifacts to create immersive and engaging learning experiences.

Objective/Activity: Deliver quality, engaging, entertaining and educational experiences for visitors of all ages that result in lasting and inspirational memories and connections to Wisconsin history.

Objective/Activity: Advance the Old World Wisconsin master plan to improve quality of guest experience.

Objective/Activity: Provide enriching educational experiences for school children that meet Wisconsin instructional standards.

Objective/Activity: Increase safety and security at Society facilities and reduce deferred maintenance.

Goal: Replace Wisconsin Historical Museum with a new 21st century facility.

Objective/Activity: Prepare and collect stories for the new Wisconsin History Center.

Objective/Activity: Engage citizenship of Wisconsin to develop relevant guest experience.

Objective/Activity: Develop facility and prepare for operations.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

2025 AND 2026 GOALS AND ACTUALS

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2025	Actual 2025	Goal 2026	Actual 2026
1.	Number of buildings rehabilitated using the rehabilitation tax credit programs.	310	248	310	255
1.	Total tax credit project investment.	$120,000,000	$52,407,167	$120,000,000	$214,415,604
1.	Number of WHSP books sold or distributed through all channels.	45,000	37,918	45,000	35,072
1.	Number of WHSP student titles and textbooks sold and distributed.	5,000	8,146	5,000	8,242
1.	Number of participants in National History Day program.	6,500	6,000	7,000	6,738
1.	Number of local history affiliate consultations.	450	459	500	429
1.	Number of new museum design consultations with community, scholarly, Tribal, and K-12 Educator councils.	32	140	32	49
1.	Number of collection donations (donor transactions).	190	655	209	531
1.	Number of patrons served through State Archives and North American History Library.	180,000	218,494	180,000	198,251
1.	Number of agencies provided with e-records assistance.	22	38	24	19
1.	Number of local governments served via in-person consultations.	100	147	105	131
1.	All attendance at museums and historic sites. (includes K-12)	237,000	198,082	220,000	184,552
1.	K-12 student attendance at museums and historic sites.	45,000	42,751	47,500	34,304
1.	Unique visits to website content.[1]	4,000,000	4,293,946	4,400,000	7,912,479
1.	Total Wisconsin Historical Society members.	12,000	10,656	13,500	10,180
1.	Value of deferred maintenance at Wisconsin Historical Society facilities.	$16,625,400	$93,774,900	$18,743,500	$95,895,000

Note: Based on fiscal year.

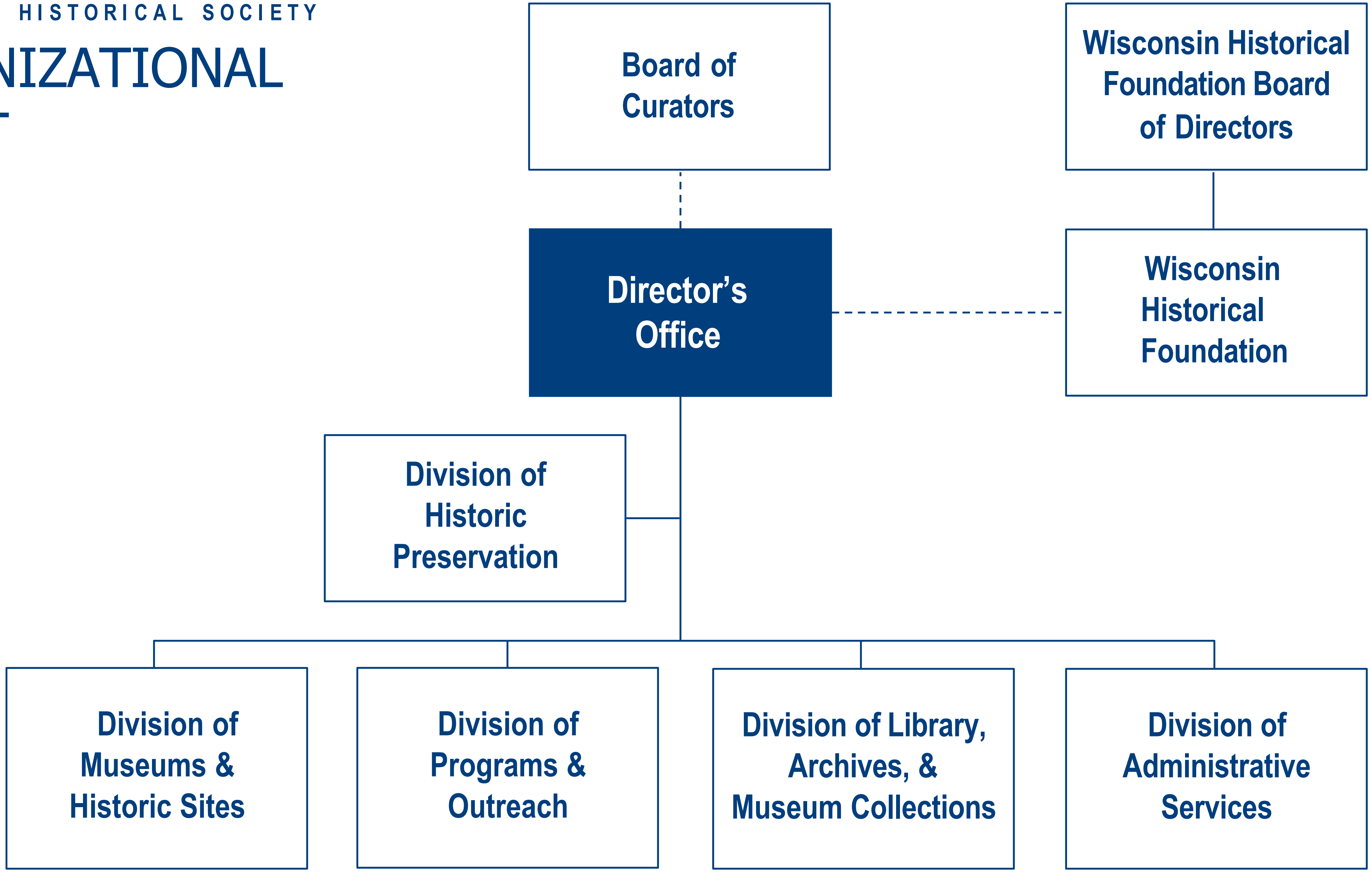
2027, 2028, AND 2029 GOALS

Prog. No.	Performance Measure	Goal 2027	Goal 2028	Goal 2029
1.	Number of buildings rehabilitated using the rehabilitation tax credit programs.	250	275	300
1.	Total tax credit project investment.	$180,000,000	$180,000,000	$250,000,000
1.	Number of WHSP books sold or distributed through all channels.	40,000	44,000	50,000
1.	Number of WHSP student titles and textbooks sold and distributed.	9,000	10,000	12,000
1.	Number of participants in National History Day program.	7,000	7,250	7,500
1.	Number of local history affiliate consultations.	375	400	425
1.	Number of new museum design consultations with community, scholarly, Tribal, and K-12 Educator councils.	10	12	15
1.	Number of collection donations (donor transactions).	275	200	200
1.	Number of patrons served through State Archives and North American History Library.	190,000	190,000	190,000
1.	Number of agencies provided with e-records assistance.	24	25	25
1.	Number of local governments served via in-person consultations.	100	100	100
1.	All attendance at museums and historic sites. (includes K-12)	194,182	379,900	438,150
1.	K-12 student attendance at museums and historic sites.	32,971	73,885	97,350
1.	All attendance at Wisconsin History Center (includes K-12) [2]	-	100,000	200,000
1.	K-12 student attendance at Wisconsin History Center [2]	-	30,000	60,000
1.	Unique visits to website content.	4,500,000	4,750,000	4,750,000
1.	Total Wisconsin Historical Society members.	11,000	15,000	20,000
1.	Value of deferred maintenance at Wisconsin Historical Society facilities.[3]	94,895,000	83,895,000	82,695,000

[1] New WisHistory website launched in Q2 of FY2026
[2] New Goal for 2027-2029 biennium. Wisconsin History Center to open Fiscal Year 2027-2028.
[3] Value of deferred maintenance is the projected total value of unfunded maintenance projects. The forecast assumes capital funding allotments in 2027-2029 equal to 2025-2027.

WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



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Agency Total by Fund Source

		ANNUAL SUMMARY						BIENNIAL SUMMARY			
Source of Funds		**Prior Year Total**	**Adjusted Base**	**1st Year Total**	**2nd Year Total**	**1st Year FTE**	**2nd Year FTE**	**Base Year Doubled (BYD)**	**Biennial Request**	**Change From (BYD)**	**Change From BYD %**
GPR	A	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	0.00	0.00	$169,000	$169,000	$0	0.00%
GPR	S	$28,591,707	$29,613,500	$37,430,100	$33,888,700	121.65	121.65	$59,227,000	$71,318,800	$12,091,800	20.40%
Total		$28,676,207	$29,698,000	$37,514,600	$33,973,200	121.65	121.65	$59,396,000	$71,487,800	$12,091,800	20.40%
PR	S	$5,731,144	$7,045,000	$9,434,700	$9,592,700	29.35	29.35	$14,090,000	$19,027,400	$4,937,400	35.00%
Total		$5,731,144	$7,045,000	$9,434,700	$9,592,700	29.35	29.35	$14,090,000	$19,027,400	$4,937,400	35.00%
PR Federal	S	$1,696,704	$2,758,500	$2,609,400	$2,588,200	12.86	12.86	$5,517,000	$5,197,600	($319,400)	-5.80%
Total		$1,696,704	$2,758,500	$2,609,400	$2,588,200	12.86	12.86	$5,517,000	$5,197,600	($319,400)	-5.80%
SEG	S	$5,336,524	$6,466,000	$8,668,300	$10,158,400	36.09	36.09	$12,932,000	$18,826,700	$5,894,700	45.60%
Total		$5,336,524	$6,466,000	$8,668,300	$10,158,400	36.09	36.09	$12,932,000	$18,826,700	$5,894,700	45.60%
Grand Total		$41,440,579	$45,967,500	$58,227,000	$56,312,500	199.95	199.95	$91,935,000	$114,539,500	$22,604,500	24.60%

Agency Total by Program

		ANNUAL SUMMARY					BIENNIAL SUMMARY			
Source of Funds	Prior Year Total	Adjusted Base	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE	Base Year Doubled (BYD)	Biennial Request	Change From (BYD)	Change From BYD %
01 History services										
Non Federal										
GPR	**$28,676,207**	**$29,698,000**	**$37,514,600**	**$33,973,200**	**121.65**	**121.65**	**$59,396,000**	**$71,487,800**	**$12,091,800**	**20.36%**
A	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	0.00	0.00	$169,000	$169,000	$0	0.00%
S	$28,591,707	$29,613,500	$37,430,100	$33,888,700	121.65	121.65	$59,227,000	$71,318,800	$12,091,800	20.42%
PR	**$5,731,144**	**$7,045,000**	**$9,434,700**	**$9,592,700**	**29.35**	**29.35**	**$14,090,000**	**$19,027,400**	**$4,937,400**	**35.04%**
S	$5,731,144	$7,045,000	$9,434,700	$9,592,700	29.35	29.35	$14,090,000	$19,027,400	$4,937,400	35.04%
SEG	**$5,336,524**	**$6,466,000**	**$8,668,300**	**$10,158,400**	**36.09**	**36.09**	**$12,932,000**	**$18,826,700**	**$5,894,700**	**45.58%**
S	$5,336,524	$6,466,000	$8,668,300	$10,158,400	36.09	36.09	$12,932,000	$18,826,700	$5,894,700	45.58%
Total - Non Federal	**$39,743,875**	**$43,209,000**	**$55,617,600**	**$53,724,300**	**187.09**	**187.09**	**$86,418,000**	**$109,341,900**	**$22,923,900**	**26.53%**
A	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	0.00	0.00	$169,000	$169,000	$0	0.00%
S	$39,659,375	$43,124,500	$55,533,100	$53,639,800	187.09	187.09	$86,249,000	$109,172,900	$22,923,900	26.58%
Federal										
PR	**$1,696,704**	**$2,758,500**	**$2,609,400**	**$2,588,200**	**12.86**	**12.86**	**$5,517,000**	**$5,197,600**	**($319,400)**	**-5.79%**
S	$1,696,704	$2,758,500	$2,609,400	$2,588,200	12.86	12.86	$5,517,000	$5,197,600	($319,400)	-5.79%

Agency Total by Program

Total - Federal		**$1,696,704**	**$2,758,500**	**$2,609,400**	**$2,588,200**	**12.86**	**12.86**	**$5,517,000**	**$5,197,600**	**($319,400)**	**-5.79%**
	S	$1,696,704	$2,758,500	$2,609,400	$2,588,200	12.86	12.86	$5,517,000	$5,197,600	($319,400)	-5.79%
PGM 01 Total		**$41,440,579**	**$45,967,500**	**$58,227,000**	**$56,312,500**	**199.95**	**199.95**	**$91,935,000**	**$114,539,500**	**$22,604,500**	**24.59%**
GPR		**$28,676,207**	**$29,698,000**	**$37,514,600**	**$33,973,200**	**121.65**	**121.65**	**$59,396,000**	**$71,487,800**	**$12,091,800**	**20.36%**
	A	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	0.00	0.00	$169,000	$169,000	$0	0.00%
	S	$28,591,707	$29,613,500	$37,430,100	$33,888,700	121.65	121.65	$59,227,000	$71,318,800	$12,091,800	20.42%
PR		**$7,427,848**	**$9,803,500**	**$12,044,100**	**$12,180,900**	**42.21**	**42.21**	**$19,607,000**	**$24,225,000**	**$4,618,000**	**23.55%**
	S	$7,427,848	$9,803,500	$12,044,100	$12,180,900	42.21	42.21	$19,607,000	$24,225,000	$4,618,000	23.55%
SEG		**$5,336,524**	**$6,466,000**	**$8,668,300**	**$10,158,400**	**36.09**	**36.09**	**$12,932,000**	**$18,826,700**	**$5,894,700**	**45.58%**
	S	$5,336,524	$6,466,000	$8,668,300	$10,158,400	36.09	36.09	$12,932,000	$18,826,700	$5,894,700	45.58%
TOTAL 01		**$41,440,579**	**$45,967,500**	**$58,227,000**	**$56,312,500**	**199.95**	**199.95**	**$91,935,000**	**$114,539,500**	**$22,604,500**	**24.59%**
	A	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	$84,500	0.00	0.00	$169,000	$169,000	$0	0.00%
	S	$41,356,079	$45,883,000	$58,142,500	$56,228,000	199.95	199.95	$91,766,000	$114,370,500	$22,604,500	24.63%

AGENCY TOTAL	$41,440,579	$45,967,500	$58,227,000	$56,312,500	199.95	199.95	$91,935,000	$114,539,500	$22,604,500	24.59%

Agency Total by Decision Item

Decision Item	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$45,967,500	$45,967,500	186.95	186.95
3001 Turnover Reduction	($291,200)	($291,200)	0.00	0.00
3002 Removal of Noncontinuing Elements from the Base	($13,100)	($13,100)	0.00	0.00
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$828,800	$828,800	0.00	0.00
3007 Overtime	$7,400	$7,400	0.00	0.00
3008 Night and Weekend Differential Pay	$12,500	$12,500	0.00	0.00
3010 Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs	$213,700	$216,100	0.00	0.00
4001 Wisconsin History Center	$3,648,200	$1,389,500	3.00	3.00
4002 NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative	$261,300	$316,900	3.00	3.00
4003 Wisconsin History Access and Preservation Initiative	$761,900	$122,600	0.00	0.00
4004 Removing Barriers to Access History Education	$1,290,000	$1,100,000	0.00	0.00
4005 Permanent Staffing Alignment	$0	$0	6.00	6.00
4006 Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations	$3,711,100	$5,301,200	0.00	0.00
4007 Federal Project Position	$63,500	$42,300	1.00	1.00
7900 Cybersecurity Requirements (Standard SI-2 Compliance Initiative)	$1,361,400	$908,000	0.00	0.00
7910 DOA Allocated Central Services Assessments	$404,000	$404,000	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	**$58,227,000**	**$56,312,500**	**199.95**	**199.95**

Program Revenue

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 20 - Records management--service funds

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$45,898**	**$45,000**	**$38,400**	**$33,100**
Program Revenue	$371,900	$371,900	$361,900	$361,900
Total Revenue	**$417,798**	**$416,900**	**$400,300**	**$395,000**
Expenditures	**$372,895**	**$378,500**	**$0**	**$0**
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$382,300	$382,300
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$0	$0	($20,400)	($20,400)
Compensation Reserve	$0	$0	$4,100	$8,200
Wisconsin Retirement System	$0	$0	$100	$100
Health Insurance Reserves	$0	$0	$1,100	$2,000
Total Expenditures	**$372,895**	**$378,500**	**$367,200**	**$372,200**
Closing Balance	**$44,903**	**$38,400**	**$33,100**	**$22,800**

Program Revenue

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 27 - General Donations

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$7,707**	**$3,200**	**$5,400**	**$5,400**
Program Revenue	$93,228	$80,600	$130,000	$130,000
Prior Year A/R	$0	$2,200	$0	$0
Total Revenue	**$100,935**	**$86,000**	**$135,400**	**$135,400**
Expenditures	**$97,721**	**$80,600**	**$0**	**$0**
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$130,000	$130,000
Total Expenditures	**$97,721**	**$80,600**	**$130,000**	**$130,000**
Closing Balance	**$3,214**	**$5,400**	**$5,400**	**$5,400**

Program Revenue

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 32 - Foundation Contributed Income

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**($1,567,295)**	**($1,355,300)**	**$100**	**$0**
Program Revenue	$3,252,378	$5,225,300	$5,800,300	$5,914,800
Prior Year A/R	$0	$1,382,800	$0	$0
Total Revenue	**$1,685,083**	**$5,252,800**	**$5,800,400**	**$5,914,800**
Expenditures	**$3,040,375**	**$5,252,700**	**$0**	**$0**
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$3,781,100	$3,781,100
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$0	$0	($21,100)	($21,100)
Compensation Reserve	$0	$0	$8,800	$17,800
Health Insurance Reserves	$0	$0	$6,500	$11,900
Wisconsin Retirement System	$0	$0	$100	$100
4005 Permanent Staffing Alignment	$0	$0	$0	$0
4006 Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations	$0	$0	$2,025,000	$2,125,000
Total Expenditures	**$3,040,375**	**$5,252,700**	**$5,800,400**	**$5,914,800**
Closing Balance	**($1,355,292)**	**$100**	**$0**	**$0**

Program Revenue

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 34 - Self-amortizing facilities; principal repayment; interest and rebates

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Program Revenue	$0	$0	$0	$0
Total Revenue	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Expenditures	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Total Expenditures	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Closing Balance	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

Program Revenue

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 36 - Northern Great Lakes center

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Program Revenue	$284,725	$280,200	$270,500	$270,500
Total Revenue	**$284,725**	**$280,200**	**$270,500**	**$270,500**
Expenditures	**$284,725**	**$280,200**	**$0**	**$0**
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$262,000	$262,000
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$0	$0	$8,500	$8,500
Compensation Reserve	$0	$0	$4,100	$8,200
Health Insurance Reserves	$0	$0	$5,900	$10,700
Wisconsin Retirement System	$0	$0	$100	$100
Expense Reduction	$0	$0	($10,100)	($19,000)
Total Expenditures	**$284,725**	**$280,200**	**$270,500**	**$270,500**
Closing Balance	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

Program Revenue

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 37 - General program operations, service funds

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$287,827**	**$299,400**	**$312,100**	**$217,800**
Program Revenue	$1,571,369	$1,880,000	$2,200,000	$2,200,000
Prior Year A/R	$0	$12,700	$0	$0
Total Revenue	**$1,859,196**	**$2,192,100**	**$2,512,100**	**$2,417,800**
Expenditures	**$1,559,843**	**$1,880,000**	**$0**	**$0**
3010 Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs	$0	$0	$35,300	$37,700
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$2,125,000	$2,125,000
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$0	$0	$102,000	$102,000
Compensation Reserve	$0	$0	$17,900	$36,100
Health Insurance Reserves	$0	$0	$14,000	$25,600
Wisconsin Retirement System	$0	$0	$100	$200
Total Expenditures	**$1,559,843**	**$1,880,000**	**$2,294,300**	**$2,326,600**
Closing Balance	**$299,353**	**$312,100**	**$217,800**	**$91,200**

Program Revenue

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 38 - Storage facility

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Program Revenue	$375,585	$363,900	$625,000	$680,600
Total Revenue	**$375,585**	**$363,900**	**$625,000**	**$680,600**
Expenditures	**$375,585**	**$363,900**	**$0**	**$0**
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$364,600	$364,600
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$0	$0	($900)	($900)
Compensation Reserve	$0	$0	$3,400	$6,900
Health Insurance Reserves	$0	$0	$4,600	$8,400
Wisconsin Retirement System	$0	$0	$100	$100
Expense Reduction	$0	$0	($8,100)	($15,400)
4002 NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative	$0	$0	$261,300	$316,900
Total Expenditures	**$375,585**	**$363,900**	**$625,000**	**$680,600**
Closing Balance	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

Segregated Funds Revenue and Balances Statement

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 61 - General program operations

Statutory Fund: 760 - HISTORICAL SOCIETY TRUST

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$30,032,777**	**$34,357,600**	**$34,372,700**	**$34,368,900**
Endowment Gains / Losses & New Contributions	$5,352,345	$1,300,000	$1,300,000	$1,300,000
Prior Year A/R	$0	$5,100	$0	$0
Total Revenue	**$35,385,122**	**$35,662,700**	**$35,672,700**	**$35,668,900**
Expenditures	**$1,027,598**	**$1,290,000**	**$0**	**$0**
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$1,018,900	$1,018,900
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$0	$0	$24,400	$24,400
Compensation Reserve	$0	$0	$7,100	$14,300
Health Insurance Reserves	$0	$0	$5,300	$9,700
Wisconsin Retirement System	$0	$0	$100	$100
4006 Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations	$0	$0	$248,000	$249,000
Total Expenditures	**$1,027,598**	**$1,290,000**	**$1,303,800**	**$1,316,400**
Closing Balance	**$34,357,524**	**$34,372,700**	**$34,368,900**	**$34,352,500**

Segregated Funds Revenue and Balances Statement

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 63 - History preservation partnership trust fund

Statutory Fund: 266 - HISTORY PRESERVATION PARTNERSHIP TRUST

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$355,040**	**$401,900**	**$556,000**	**($500,100)**
Earned Revenue	$4,259,436	$4,824,700	$6,290,000	$8,896,000
Prior Year A/R	$0	$158,600	$0	$0
Total Revenue	**$4,614,476**	**$5,385,200**	**$6,846,000**	**$8,395,900**
Expenditures	**$4,212,640**	**$4,829,200**	**$0**	**$0**
4006 Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations	$0	$0	$1,438,100	$2,927,200
Compensation Reserve	$0	$0	$38,500	$77,700
Health Insurance Reserves	$0	$0	$26,500	$48,200
Wisconsin Retirement System	$0	$0	$200	$300
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$5,354,000	$5,354,000
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$0	$0	$488,800	$488,800
4005 Permanent Staffing Alignment	$0	$0	$0	$0
Total Expenditures	**$4,212,640**	**$4,829,200**	**$7,346,100**	**$8,896,200**
Closing Balance	**$401,836**	**$556,000**	**($500,100)**	**($500,300)**

Segregated Funds Revenue and Balances Statement

Program: 01 - History services

SubProgram: -

Numeric Appropriation: 64 - Northern Great Lakes center; interpretive programming

Statutory Fund: 212 - CONSERVATION

Revenue and Expenditures	Prior Year Actuals	Base Year Estimate	1st Year Estimate	2nd Year Estimate
Opening Balance	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**
Conservation Funds	$96,684	$101,100	$100,700	$104,600
Total Revenue	**$96,684**	**$101,100**	**$100,700**	**$104,600**
Expenditures	**$96,684**	**$101,100**	**$0**	**$0**
2000 Adjusted Base Funding Level	$0	$0	$93,100	$93,100
3003 Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits	$0	$0	$3,000	$3,000
Compensation Reserve	$0	$0	$1,300	$2,600
Health Insurance Reserves	$0	$0	$3,200	$5,800
Wisconsin Retirement System	$0	$0	$100	$100
Total Expenditures	**$96,684**	**$101,100**	**$100,700**	**$104,600**
Closing Balance	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

Decision Item (DIN): 2000 - Adjusted Base Funding Level

NARRATIVE

Adjusted Base Funding Level

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 2000 - Adjusted Base Funding Level

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$14,238,500	$14,238,500
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$9,300	$9,300
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$3,046,700	$3,046,700
05	Fringe Benefits	$6,030,800	$6,030,800
06	Supplies and Services	$15,202,700	$15,202,700
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$84,500	$84,500
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$7,355,000	$7,355,000
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$45,967,500**	**$45,967,500**
18	Project Positions Authorized	1.00	1.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	175.95	175.95
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	10.00	10.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 2000 - Adjusted Base Funding Level

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$20,466,500	$20,466,500	112.65	112.65
03 - Wisconsin black historical society and museum	$84,500	$84,500	0.00	0.00
05 - Energy costs; energy-related assessments	$1,229,300	$1,229,300	0.00	0.00
06 - Principal repayment, interest, and rebates	$7,355,000	$7,355,000	0.00	0.00
07 - Wisconsin History Center	$562,700	$562,700	6.00	6.00
20 - Records management--service funds	$382,300	$382,300	3.00	3.00
27 - General Donations	$130,000	$130,000	0.00	0.00
32 - Foundation Contributed Income	$3,781,100	$3,781,100	5.20	5.20
36 - Northern Great Lakes center	$262,000	$262,000	2.75	2.75
37 - General program operations, service funds	$2,125,000	$2,125,000	11.40	11.40
38 - Storage facility	$364,600	$364,600	2.00	2.00
41 - General program operations, federal funds	$2,234,300	$2,234,300	10.16	10.16

Decision Item by Numeric

45 - Indirect cost reimbursements	$524,200	$524,200	1.70	1.70
61 - General program operations	$1,018,900	$1,018,900	4.50	4.50
63 - History preservation partnership trust fund	$5,354,000	$5,354,000	26.59	26.59
64 - Northern Great Lakes center; interpretive programming	$93,100	$93,100	1.00	1.00
Program Sub Total	**$45,967,500**	**$45,967,500**	**186.95**	**186.95**
DIN 2000 - Adjusted Base Funding Level Total	**$45,967,500**	**$45,967,500**	**186.95**	**186.95**
Agency Total	**$45,967,500**	**$45,967,500**	**186.95**	**186.95**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 2000 - Adjusted Base Funding Level

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
PR	S	$7,045,000	$7,045,000	24.35	24.35
GPR	S	$29,613,500	$29,613,500	118.65	118.65
PR Federal	S	$2,758,500	$2,758,500	11.86	11.86
SEG	S	$6,466,000	$6,466,000	32.09	32.09
GPR	A	$84,500	$84,500	0.00	0.00
DIN 2000 - Adjusted Base Funding Level Total		**$45,967,500**	**$45,967,500**	**186.95**	**186.95**
Agency Total		**$45,967,500**	**$45,967,500**	**186.95**	**186.95**

Decision Item (DIN): 3001 - Turnover Reduction

NARRATIVE

Standard Budget Adjustment - Turnover Reduction

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 3001 - Turnover Reduction

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	($291,200)	($291,200)
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$0	$0
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**($291,200)**	**($291,200)**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 3001 - Turnover Reduction

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	($291,200)	($291,200)	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**($291,200)**	**($291,200)**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 3001 - Turnover Reduction Total	**($291,200)**	**($291,200)**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**($291,200)**	**($291,200)**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 3001 - Turnover Reduction

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	($291,200)	($291,200)	0.00	0.00
DIN 3001 - Turnover Reduction Total		**($291,200)**	**($291,200)**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**($291,200)**	**($291,200)**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 3002 - Removal of Noncontinuing Elements from the Base

NARRATIVE

Standard Budget Adjustment - Removal of Noncontinuing Elements from the Base

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 3002 - Removal of Noncontinuing Elements from the Base

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	($9,300)	($9,300)
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	($3,800)	($3,800)
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**($13,100)**	**($13,100)**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 3002 - Removal of Noncontinuing Elements from the Base

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
41 - General program operations, federal funds	($13,100)	($13,100)	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**($13,100)**	**($13,100)**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 3002 - Removal of Noncontinuing Elements from the Base Total	**($13,100)**	**($13,100)**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**($13,100)**	**($13,100)**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 3002 - Removal of Noncontinuing Elements from the Base

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
PR Federal	S	($13,100)	($13,100)	0.00	0.00
DIN 3002 - Removal of Noncontinuing Elements from the Base Total		**($13,100)**	**($13,100)**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**($13,100)**	**($13,100)**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 3003 - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits

NARRATIVE

Standard Budget Adjustment - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 3003 - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$451,000	$451,000
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$377,800	$377,800
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$828,800**	**$828,800**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 3003 - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$356,500	$356,500	0.00	0.00
07 - Wisconsin History Center	$76,400	$76,400	0.00	0.00
20 - Records management--service funds	($20,400)	($20,400)	0.00	0.00
32 - Foundation Contributed Income	($21,100)	($21,100)	0.00	0.00
36 - Northern Great Lakes center	$8,500	$8,500	0.00	0.00
37 - General program operations, service funds	$102,000	$102,000	0.00	0.00
38 - Storage facility	($900)	($900)	0.00	0.00
41 - General program operations, federal funds	($127,900)	($127,900)	0.00	0.00
45 - Indirect cost reimbursements	($60,500)	($60,500)	0.00	0.00
61 - General program operations	$24,400	$24,400	0.00	0.00
63 - History preservation partnership trust fund	$488,800	$488,800	0.00	0.00
64 - Northern Great Lakes center; interpretive programming	$3,000	$3,000	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program Sub Total	**$828,800**	**$828,800**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 3003 - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits Total	**$828,800**	**$828,800**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$828,800**	**$828,800**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 3003 - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$432,900	$432,900	0.00	0.00
PR	S	$68,100	$68,100	0.00	0.00
PR Federal	S	($188,400)	($188,400)	0.00	0.00
SEG	S	$516,200	$516,200	0.00	0.00
DIN 3003 - Full Funding of Continuing Position Salaries and Fringe Benefits Total		**$828,800**	**$828,800**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$828,800**	**$828,800**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 3007 - Overtime

NARRATIVE

Standard Budget Adjustment - Overtime

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 3007 - Overtime

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$6,300	$6,300
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$1,100	$1,100
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$7,400**	**$7,400**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 3007 - Overtime

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$7,400	$7,400	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**$7,400**	**$7,400**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 3007 - Overtime Total	**$7,400**	**$7,400**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$7,400**	**$7,400**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 3007 - Overtime

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$7,400	$7,400	0.00	0.00
DIN 3007 - Overtime Total		**$7,400**	**$7,400**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$7,400**	**$7,400**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 3008 - Night and Weekend Differential Pay

NARRATIVE

Standard Budget Adjustment - Night and Weekend Differential Pay

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 3008 - Night and Weekend Differential Pay

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$10,700	$10,700
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$1,800	$1,800
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$12,500**	**$12,500**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 3008 - Night and Weekend Differential Pay

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$12,500	$12,500	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**$12,500**	**$12,500**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 3008 - Night and Weekend Differential Pay Total	**$12,500**	**$12,500**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$12,500**	**$12,500**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 3008 - Night and Weekend Differential Pay

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$12,500	$12,500	0.00	0.00
DIN 3008 - Night and Weekend Differential Pay Total		**$12,500**	**$12,500**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$12,500**	**$12,500**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 3010 - Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs

NARRATIVE

Standard Budget Adjustment - Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 3010 - Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$0	$0
06	Supplies and Services	$213,700	$216,100
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$213,700**	**$216,100**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 3010 - Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$189,500	$189,500	0.00	0.00
37 - General program operations, service funds	$35,300	$37,700	0.00	0.00
41 - General program operations, federal funds	($11,100)	($11,100)	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**$213,700**	**$216,100**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 3010 - Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs Total	**$213,700**	**$216,100**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$213,700**	**$216,100**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 3010 - Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$189,500	$189,500	0.00	0.00
PR	S	$35,300	$37,700	0.00	0.00
PR Federal	S	($11,100)	($11,100)	0.00	0.00
DIN 3010 - Full Funding of Lease and Directed Moves Costs Total		**$213,700**	**$216,100**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$213,700**	**$216,100**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 4001 - Wisconsin History Center

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society requests one-time GPR funding of $3,648,200 in FY28, ongoing GPR funding of $1,389,500 annually starting in FY29, and 3.0 FTE positions in appropriation 10700 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(d)) to support the ongoing operation of the new Wisconsin History Center. See Paper for additional details.

WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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DIN 4001: Wisconsin History Center

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society") requests one-time GPR funding of $3,648,200 in FY28, ongoing GPR funding of $1,389,500 annually starting in FY29, and 3.0 FTE positions in appropriation 10700 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(d)) to support the ongoing operation of the new Wisconsin History Center ("History Center"). The request provides the staffing and operating resources necessary to open and sustain the facility as a premier statewide history museum, education center, and public engagement destination serving approximately 200,000 visitors annually, including more than 60,000 students. The request also supports the security and public safety resources necessary to protect visitors, staff, and the significant historical collections entrusted to the Society and to safety support public programs, special events, and high-profile visitors.

The Wisconsin History Center is a transformational investment in Wisconsin's history, education, tourism, and civic engagement. As construction has progressed, the Society has completed detailed operational readiness planning, consultant analyses, and comprehensive agency planning to refine the long-term operating model for the facility.

The requested funding will support ongoing operations while advancing the Society's statutory mission to collect, preserve, and share Wisconsin history and ensure the History Center operates as a safe, welcoming, and accessible statewide public venue.

The History Center's scale and use also creates new security and public safety responsibilities. In addition to serving daily visitors and school groups and housing significant and irreplaceable historical collections, the facility will host public programs, special events, and statewide gatherings. Its prominent location on the Capitol Square also makes it a natural venue for events and visits involving the Governor, legislators, other public officials, dignitaries, and high-profile guests. These activities require appropriate security readiness, building access management, emergency response capabilities, and coordination with state and local law enforcement and protective services when necessary.

Background: Prior Budget Actions

The new History Center was first enumerated in 2019-2021. As part of the capital budget request, the Society prepared a preliminary business model that was shared with the Governor's Office and Legislature outlining a multi-pronged strategy for supporting the operations of the center including earned income, endowment income, contributed income, and additional state support. The Society's 2027-2029 request is consistent with that original strategy, relying on a diversified and sustainable financial model for this important State and regional attraction.

The Society's operating model was originally developed and has been refined in partnership with ProFun, a consultant serving museums and attractions nationally and world-wide. Over the past two years, additional implementation planning and agency-wide workforce and operational planning have validated and refined core business assumptions including staffing, facility operations, visitor services, educational programming, and organizational support required to successfully operate the History Center.

In 2025-2027 the Society requested a total of $4M and 9.0 FTE in support of the transition, pre-opening, and operations of the new History Center. At the time, the project was anticipated to open to the public in the fall of 2027. Construction was bid in 2025 and the schedule for grand opening was adjusted and is now scheduled for early 2028. The Society received a total of $2.8M and 6.0 FTE in the 2025-2027 biennium.

The Society's 2027-2029 request reflects the need for one-time and the ongoing funds for the first two years of operations. The request includes support for one-time expenses anticipated in the prior biennium that were requested, but unfunded and delayed until FY28. The overall business plan has not changed for the center. Numbers have been updated to reflect inflation, more specific estimates for contractual expenses, and the need to support the operation of the center during exhibit installation In FY28 with only 6 months of earned revenue during its first year.

The requested funding supports recurring operating costs including personnel, building operations, maintenance, security and public safety, visitor services, educational programming, technology, utilities, supplies, contracts, and ongoing facility support. Earned revenue, philanthropy, and endowment support will continue to fund a significant portion of operations, with state support providing the remaining investment necessary for long-term sustainability. Security resources will support the protection of visitors, staff, collections, and exhibits; building access and monitoring; emergency preparedness and response; and security needs associated with public programs, special events, and high-profile visits.

As part of the plan, the Society is reallocating existing staff and operating resources wherever practical. Other existing resources are fully committed to supporting current statewide operations and services. Operating the Wisconsin History Center without adequate ongoing funding would require reductions to existing services elsewhere in the agency or create gaps in staffing, security, facility operations, and other core services necessary to responsibly operate a major public venue. The biennial budget provides the appropriate mechanism for stable ongoing operating support.

Not having the right level of security resources would increase risk to visitors, staff, collections, and facility operations and could limit the Society's ability to safely accommodate large public programs, special events, and high-profile visitors.

WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Wisconsin History Center represents one of the largest investments in the Society's history and will serve as a prominent public institution and gathering place on Wisconsin's Capitol Square. The facility will combine substantial public visitation, student groups, significant historical collections, educational programming, special events, and visits by state leaders and other high-profile guests.

Providing appropriate operating and security resources will protect the state's investment, support safe and reliable operations, safeguard the collections entrusted to the Society, and ensure the History Center can fulfill its role as a welcoming statewide destination for generations to come.

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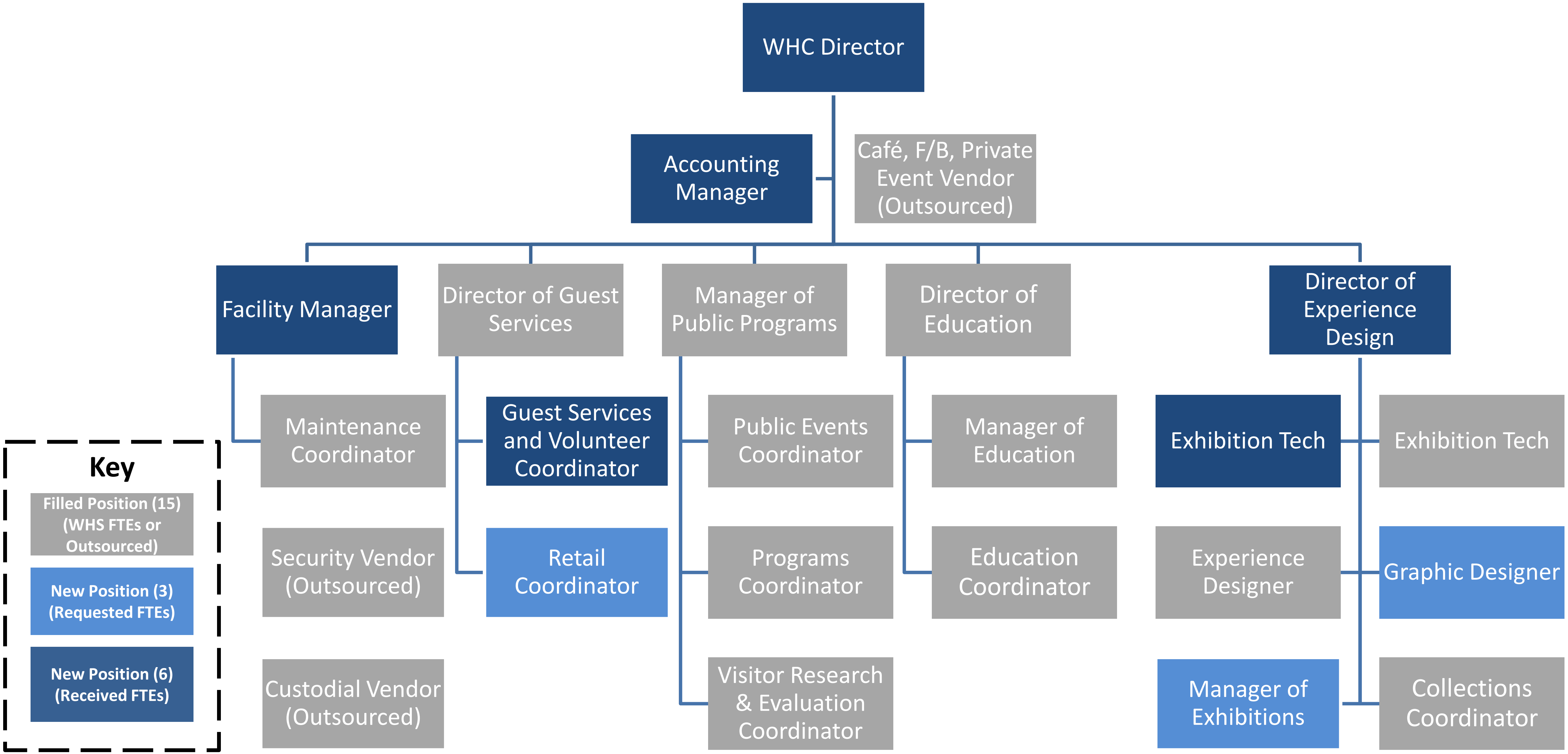
Table 1.0
WHS: Wisconsin Historical Center
Opening Budget
Summary of Operating Revenues & Expenses

WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BUSINESS PLAN SUMMARY				
OPERATING ASSUMPTIONS	**FY26**	**FY27**	**FY28**	**FY29**
Annual Attendance			$ 98,300	$ 202,000
OPERATING REVENUES				
Total Earned Revenue	$ -	$ -	$ 1,438,100	$ 2,927,200
Total Cost of Goods Sold	$ -	$ 100,000	$ 528,100	$ 799,600
Net Revenue	**$ -**	**$ (100,000)**	**$ 910,000**	**$ 2,127,600**
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Labor Operating Costs (Ongoing)				
Total Labor Operating Costs *(Mgmt/Admin + Front-Line)*	**$ 957,452**	**$ 1,487,886**	**$ 3,166,200**	**$ 3,501,400**
Non-Labor Operating Costs (Ongoing)				
Occupancy	$ -	$ 71,100	$ 284,000	$ 283,800
Maintenance	$ -	$ 17,400	$ 283,800	$ 315,500
Development & Advancement	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ -
Marketing	$ -	$ 187,500	$ 455,700	$ 242,400
General & Administrative	$ 718,316	$ 780,946	$ 1,131,500	$ 1,144,700
Programs	$ -	$ -	$ 20,400	$ 20,200
Special Exhibits	$ -	$ -	$ 833,800	$ 833,800
Other	$ -	$ 47,300	$ 51,300	$ 50,500
Total Non-Labor Operating Costs	**$ 718,316**	**$ 1,104,246**	**$ 3,060,500**	**$ 2,890,900**
Operational FF&E (One Time)				
Total Pre-Opening Equipment	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 1,207,000**	
Transitional Project Expenses				
Capital Fundraising & Development	$ 450,000	$ 400,000	$ 400,000	
Collections - Research & Preparation	$ 310,000	$ 290,000	$ 290,000	
Programming & Community Engagement	$ 205,500	$ 197,500	$ 197,500	
Education & Programming (incl. Transition Space)	$ 129,000	$ 132,000	$ 132,000	
Opening Events	$ -	$ 300,000	$ 300,000	
Consultant & Other	$ 325,000	$ 275,000	$ 275,000	
Total Transitional Expenses	**$ 1,419,500**	**$ 1,594,500**	**$ 1,594,500**	
Total Operating Expenses	**$ (3,095,268)**	**$ (4,186,632)**	**$ (9,028,200)**	**$ (6,392,300)**
CONTRIBUTIONS				
State Contributions				
State Appropriations (GPR101)	$ 694,900	$ 761,100	$ 827,400	$ 827,300
State Appropriations (GPR107)	$ 980,868	$ 1,859,932	$ 639,100	$ 639,100
State Utility Appropriations (GPR105)	$ -	$ 71,100	$ 284,000	$ 283,800
Total State Contributions	**$ 1,675,768**	**$ 2,692,132**	**$ 1,750,500**	**$ 1,750,200**
Society Contributions				
Gift Funding	$ 1,419,500	$ 1,594,500	$ 1,594,500	$ -
Traveling Exhibition Sponsorship	$ -	$ -	$ 525,000	$ 525,000
Endowment Income *(4% of $15M)*	$ -	$ -	$ 600,000	$ 600,000
Total Gift, Sponsorship, & Endowment Income	**$ 1,419,500**	**$ 1,594,500**	**$ 2,719,500**	**$ 1,125,000**
New State Appropriations Needed	**$ 0**	**$ 0**	**$ (3,648,200)**	**$ (1,389,500)**

NOTE:
Figures illustrated in US 2026 dollars and totals are rounded to nearest hundredths (#,#00s)
FF&E Budget items are assumed as tax exempt

Wisconsin History Center Organization Chart



Summary 1
WHS: Wisconsin Historical Center
Business Plan
Comparative Summary of Historical & Projected Operating Budget

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY	Wisconsin Historical Museum (Old)		Wisconsin Historical Center (New)		Wisconsin Historical Center (New)	
	Last Year of Full Operation		State Operation FY28		State Operation FY29	
OPERATING REVENUES						
Earned Revenue	$	485,000	$	1,438,100	$	2,927,200
Cost of Goods Sold	$	150,000	$	528,100	$	799,600
Net Revenue	$	335,000	$	910,000	$	2,127,600
Gift Funding & Sponsorship	$	55,000	$	2,119,500	$	525,000
Endowment	$	90,000	$	600,000	$	600,000
Base GPR 10100	$	535,000	$	827,400	$	827,300
Base GPR 10700			$	639,100	$	639,100
Utilities GPR 10500	$	50,000	$	284,000	$	283,800
TOTAL	**$**	**1,065,000**	**$**	**5,380,000**	**$**	**5,002,800**
Total Pre-Opening Equipment			**$**	**1,207,000**		
Transitional Project Expenses			**$**	**1,594,500**		
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Labor (FTE + LTE)	$	680,000	$	3,166,200	$	3,501,400
Occupancy	$	270,000	$	284,000	$	283,800
Maintenance	$	-	$	283,800	$	315,500
Marketing	$	15,000	$	455,700	$	242,400
General & Administrative	$	60,000	$	1,131,500	$	1,144,700
Programs	$	40,000	$	20,400	$	20,200
Special Exhibits	$	-	$	833,800	$	833,800
Other	$	-	$	51,300	$	50,500
TOTAL	**$**	**1,065,000**	**$**	**6,226,700**	**$**	**6,392,300**
Net (New State Appropriations Needed)	**$**	**-**	**$**	**(3,648,200)**	**$**	**(1,389,500)**

NOTE:
WHC's year 3 figures illustrated in US 2026 dollars and totals are rounded to nearest hundredths (#,#00s)

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 4001 - Wisconsin History Center

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$130,200	$173,600
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$379,500	$379,500
05	Fringe Benefits	$81,500	$99,000
06	Supplies and Services	$3,057,000	$737,400
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$3,648,200**	**$1,389,500**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	3.00	3.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 4001 - Wisconsin History Center

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
07 - Wisconsin History Center	$3,648,200	$1,389,500	3.00	3.00
Program Sub Total	**$3,648,200**	**$1,389,500**	**3.00**	**3.00**
DIN 4001 - Wisconsin History Center Total	**$3,648,200**	**$1,389,500**	**3.00**	**3.00**
Agency Total	**$3,648,200**	**$1,389,500**	**3.00**	**3.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 4001 - Wisconsin History Center

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$3,648,200	$1,389,500	3.00	3.00
DIN 4001 - Wisconsin History Center Total		**$3,648,200**	**$1,389,500**	**3.00**	**3.00**
Agency Total		**$3,648,200**	**$1,389,500**	**3.00**	**3.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society requests one-time PR-S Tribal Gaming funding of $261,300 FY28 and $316,900 in FY29 and 3.0 project positions starting in FY28 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(k)) to substantially complete required work under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), accelerate the return of Native American ancestors and cultural items, and address the State of Wisconsin's responsibilities for NAGPRA-eligible collections. See Paper for additional details.

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DIN 4002: NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society") requests one-time PR-S Tribal Gaming funding of $261,300 in FY2028 and $316,900 in FY2029 and 3.0 project positions under Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(k) to substantially complete required work under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), accelerate the return of Native American ancestors and cultural items, and address the State of Wisconsin's responsibilities for NAGPRA-eligible collections.

NAGPRA establishes federal requirements for the identification, consultation, and repatriation of Native American ancestors and cultural items held by museums, government agencies, and other institutions receiving federal funding. Revised federal regulations that became effective in January 2024 strengthened these requirements, including the role of Tribal consultation and Native traditional knowledge, and established a January 10, 2029, deadline for museums and federal agencies to complete or update required inventories of Native American human remains and associated funerary objects.

Meeting these requirements involves considerably more than completing an inventory. The work requires collection research and documentation, identification of potentially affiliated Tribal Nations, meaningful consultation, consideration of Native traditional knowledge and other evidence, federal notices, coordination of repatriation requests, and ultimately the respectful return of ancestors and cultural items.

The Society has made significant progress advancing NAGPRA work for more than two decades. As of August 2024, the Society had repatriated ancestral remains representing a minimum number of 780 individuals, 409 associated funerary objects, and 51 cultural items through the NAGPRA summary process. The remaining work is increasingly complex and requires concentrated capacity beyond the Society's ongoing collections, archaeology, historic preservation, burial sites, and Tribal relations responsibilities.

The initiative will focus on three areas:

- Complete disposition and repatriation work for ancestors and cultural items held by the Society. Dedicated project capacity will support collection research, consultation, documentation, federal requirements, and the direct activities necessary to advance repatriation.
- Address state-owned archaeological collections held by other organizations. Under Wis. Stat. § 44.47(5), the Society reserves title to archaeological objects and data recovered from state sites. Some state-owned collections have been placed over time with universities, museums, historical organizations, and other repositories. The Society will identify these collections, establish reliable records, determine applicable state

responsibilities, and coordinate consultation and compliance activities for eligible collections.
- Provide statewide NAGPRA guidance and technical assistance. Museums, universities, historical organizations, local governments, and other Wisconsin repositories may have limited staff capacity or specialized NAGPRA expertise. The Society will provide training, guidance, and technical assistance to help these organizations understand their responsibilities and advance their own NAGPRA work. Institutions that independently possess or control collections will remain responsible for their own legal compliance.

Meaningful consultation with Tribal Nations is fundamental to this work. NAGPRA requires consultation with lineal descendants and Tribal Nations and recognizes Native traditional knowledge as an important source of information. Governor Evers' Wisconsin Executive Order #18 further affirms the State's government-to-government relationship with Tribal Nations and directs state agencies to engage Tribal Governments on policies and programs that affect them.

The Society has developed strong working relationships with Tribal Nations and the Wisconsin Inter-Tribal Repatriation Committee through decades of consultation and repatriation work. The initiative will support travel, meetings, documentation, professional services, and other direct activities necessary for meaningful consultation and repatriation, including resources that help ensure the cost of participating in the State's compliance work does not become an unnecessary barrier to Tribal participation.

The need to accelerate this work has also been reinforced through federal oversight. In August 2024, members of the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs contacted the Society regarding its implementation of NAGPRA and requested information regarding inventories, consultation practices, cultural affiliation determinations, and the pace of repatriation. The Society's response documented substantial progress and a long-standing commitment to consultation and repatriation while recognizing the need to continue accelerating this work under the revised federal requirements.

The remaining NAGPRA workload represents a concentrated effort tied to federal requirements and the 2029 inventory deadline. The Society is therefore proposing temporary project capacity and one-time operating resources rather than an ongoing expansion of agency staffing. Resources will support dedicated project staff, Tribal consultation, repatriation activities, collection and archaeological research, professional and specialized services, statewide training and technical assistance, and related project needs.

The Society considered completing the remaining work using existing staff and will continue pursuing federal NAGPRA grants where appropriate. Existing staff carry significant ongoing statutory and operational responsibilities, while federal grants are competitive and generally support specific projects or consultations. Neither provides the predictable, concentrated capacity necessary to manage the State's broader compliance responsibilities within the federal timeline.

This initiative builds on more than two decades of Society work with Tribal Nations to return Native American ancestors and cultural items. It provides a defined period of additional capacity to meet federal requirements, accelerate repatriation, clarify accountability for state-owned archaeological collections held outside the Society, strengthen NAGPRA knowledge and capacity across Wisconsin, and continue advancing the State's government-to-government relationships with Tribal Nations.

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$122,000	$162,700
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$49,200	$65,600
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$90,100	$88,600
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$261,300**	**$316,900**
18	Project Positions Authorized	3.00	3.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
38 - Storage facility	$261,300	$316,900	3.00	3.00
Program Sub Total	**$261,300**	**$316,900**	**3.00**	**3.00**
DIN 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative Total	**$261,300**	**$316,900**	**3.00**	**3.00**
Agency Total	**$261,300**	**$316,900**	**3.00**	**3.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
PR	S	$261,300	$316,900	3.00	3.00
DIN 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation Initiative Total		**$261,300**	**$316,900**	**3.00**	**3.00**
Agency Total		**$261,300**	**$316,900**	**3.00**	**3.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation Initiative

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society requests one-time GPR 10100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(a)) funding of $761,900 in FY2028 and $122,600 in FY2029 to implement the Wisconsin History Access & Preservation Initiative, which will expand statewide access to Wisconsin's historical collections while preserving irreplaceable historical resources for future generations. See Paper for additional details.

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DIN 4003: Wisconsin History Access and Preservation Initiative

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society") requests one-time GPR 10100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(a)) funding of $761,900 in FY2028 and $122,600 in FY2029 to implement the Wisconsin History Access & Preservation Initiative. The initiative will expand statewide access to Wisconsin's historical collections while preserving irreplaceable historical resources for future generations.

Funding will accelerate digitization of priority collections, including microfilm, rare and frequently requested archival materials, fragile and deteriorating materials, and educational resources supporting the updated Wisconsin history textbook. Investment will improve access for students, educators, researchers, Tribal Nations, libraries, and the public regardless of where they live.

The Wisconsin Historical Society serves as the steward of one of the nation's most significant state history collections. While demand for online access continues to grow, many of the Society's most valuable and heavily used resources remain available only in physical formats, limiting access and increasing wear on fragile original materials.

Without additional investment, digitization efforts will continue incrementally using limited existing resources, delaying public access and increasing preservation risks. This one-time investment will accelerate preservation and expand equitable statewide access by focusing on three priority areas:

- Digitization of microfilm collections to improve accessibility while reducing reliance on aging formats.
- Digitization of rare, historically significant, and frequently requested collections to preserve original materials while expanding online availability.
- Development of digital educational resources aligned with Wisconsin's updated history textbook, providing students and educators statewide with direct access to primary source materials.
- Development of an online microfilm and newspaper viewer to create access to approximately 90 Terabytes of digitized newspapers from the Society's Collection, and to serve as a centralized home for Wisconsin's digitized newspapers for local affiliates.

The initiative complements the opening of the Wisconsin History Center by extending access beyond the museum's walls. While the History Center will welcome visitors in person, this investment ensures residents across Wisconsin can engage with the Society's collections regardless of location.

One-time funding will support professional digitization services, digital preservation activities, metadata creation, digital storage, and public online access to priority collections.

The investment will:

- Expand statewide public access to Wisconsin's historical collections.
- Preserve fragile and irreplaceable historical materials by reducing physical handling.
- Increase the number of collections available through the Society's digital platforms.
- Create new educational resources supporting Wisconsin's updated history curriculum.
- Improve access for schools, libraries, researchers, Tribal Nations, and residents throughout Wisconsin.
- Streamline internal processes and ensure scalability of our digital systems.

Because this is a one-time investment in expanding digital access and preserving priority collections, ongoing operating costs are expected to be minimal while the public benefit will continue for decades.

The Society will continue digitization collections using existing resources where possible; however, current resources limit the number and range of materials that can be made digitally accessible. Without this investment, opportunities to expand public access to significant Wisconsin historical materials will be limited, fragile and preservation-priority materials will continue to rely more heavily on physical access, and opportunities to make collections available for education and research statewide will progress more slowly. The biennial budget provides the appropriate opportunity to make a strategic one-time investment that will produce long-term statewide benefits.

The Wisconsin History Access & Preservation Initiative advances the Society's mission by preserving Wisconsin's heritage while making collections more accessible to residents in every region of the state and beyond. By expanding digital access to historically significant collections and educational resources, the initiative strengthens history education, supports lifelong learning, and ensures Wisconsin's stories remain accessible for generations to come.

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation Initiative

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$0	$0
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$761,900	$122,600
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$761,900**	**$122,600**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation Initiative

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$761,900	$122,600	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**$761,900**	**$122,600**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation Initiative Total	**$761,900**	**$122,600**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$761,900**	**$122,600**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation Initiative

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$761,900	$122,600	0.00	0.00
DIN 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation Initiative Total		**$761,900**	**$122,600**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$761,900**	**$122,600**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society") requests one-time GPR 10100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(a)) funding of $1,290,000 in FY2028 and $1,100,000 in FY2029 to establish the Removing Barriers to Access History Education Initiative. The initiative will expand access to Wisconsin history education by reducing financial and geographic barriers that prevent schools and students from taking advantage of educational resources and experiences offered by the Society.

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DIN 4004: Removing Barriers to Access History Education

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society") requests one-time GPR 10100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(a)) funding of $1,290,000 in FY2028 and $1,100,000 in FY2029 to establish the Removing Barriers to Access History Education Initiative. The initiative will expand access to Wisconsin history education by reducing financial and geographic barriers that prevent schools and students from taking advantage of educational resources and experiences offered by the Society.

Education is a core component of the Society's mission and strategic direction. The Society is building significant new capacity to serve Wisconsin students through the opening of the Wisconsin History Center, expanded classroom and digital resources, museum-based learning, educational programming, and partnerships with schools and educational institutions throughout the state.

The opening of the Wisconsin History Center creates a significant opportunity to expand the Society's educational reach, but a school's ability to participate can vary considerably based on available local resources. Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) data indicates that approximately 41% of fourth-grade students statewide are economically disadvantaged. The Society currently provides reduced admission to approximately 15% of Wisconsin schools based on economic disadvantage. While this assistance helps make existing educational experiences more accessible, it reaches only a portion of the schools and students who may face financial barriers.

The initiative will allow the Society to substantially expand that reach by moving beyond reduced admission and providing free admission to the Wisconsin History Center, WHS museums, and historic Sites for qualifying schools, while also helping address transportation costs that can prevent students from participating. Transportation is a particular barrier for schools located where the cost of buses and travel can make a field trip difficult even when admission is reduced or eliminated.

A central component of the initiative will be the History Education Grant Program, which will provide competitive grants to schools with demonstrated financial need. The Society will use Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction data to identify schools serving economically disadvantaged students, with priority given to schools where at least 50% of students meet applicable DPI measures of economic disadvantage. Geographic distance, transportation costs, the number of students served, and statewide distribution may also be considered when awarding grants.

In addition to direct support for school visits, the initiative will strengthen educational opportunities that can reach students regardless of their ability to travel. Funding will support:

- Free admission for qualifying students and schools. Funding will offset admission revenue that would otherwise be necessary to support Wisconsin History Center, museum, and historic sites operations, allowing qualifying schools to participate at no cost.
- Transportation assistance for qualifying schools. Direct aid will help schools cover bus and transportation costs, addressing one of the most significant barriers to participation, particularly for schools traveling greater distances.
- Costs associated with serving increased student attendance at the Wisconsin History Center, museums, and historic sites. The grant program is intended to increase participation beyond current attendance projections. Funding will support the additional costs associated with serving those students, including educational supplies and materials, digital learning resources, educational staffing, and other direct operating needs necessary to provide a high-quality student experience.

The initiative complements the State's investment in the Wisconsin History Center by ensuring its educational benefits extend to students throughout Wisconsin. It also recognizes that expanding educational capacity alone does not guarantee access. Without targeted assistance, schools with fewer financial resources or greater transportation costs will continue to face barriers to participation.

The Society will continue developing and providing educational resources using existing resources; however, existing funding does not provide the capacity to substantially reduce the financial barriers facing schools. This one-time investment provides targeted state support to expand participation while allowing the Society to prioritize assistance based on financial need, geography, and the potential to reach more students.

The investment will reduce financial barriers to Wisconsin history education, increase participation in WHS educational programming, expand access to digital and classroom-based learning resources, and strengthen partnerships with schools and educational organizations throughout the state.

Removing Barriers to Access History Education advances the Society's mission by helping ensure that a student's opportunity to engage with Wisconsin history is not determined by where they live or the financial capacity of their school district. As the Wisconsin History Center opens, this investment will provide students throughout Wisconsin with stronger and more consistent access to the people, places, primary sources, and stories that make up Wisconsin history.

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$0	$0
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$1,290,000	$1,100,000
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$1,290,000**	**$1,100,000**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$1,290,000	$1,100,000	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**$1,290,000**	**$1,100,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education Total	**$1,290,000**	**$1,100,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$1,290,000**	**$1,100,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$1,290,000	$1,100,000	0.00	0.00
DIN 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education Total		**$1,290,000**	**$1,100,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$1,290,000**	**$1,100,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 4005 - Permanent Staffing Alignment

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society") requests 6.0 permanent FTE positions (4.0 in SEG 16300 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(r)) and 2.0 in PR 13200 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(h))) to better align its permanent workforce with recurring operational responsibilities in collections stewardship, educational programming, historic site programming, and guest and visitor services. See Paper for additional details.

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DIN 4005: Permanent Staffing Alignment

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This request builds directly upon the Legislature's previous investment to reduce the Society's reliance on Limited Term Employees (LTEs) performing permanent, year-round work. At the time of that previous request, the Society relied on 93 LTE appointments for core, year-round functions. Following the Legislature's investment in permanent position authority, the Society has reduced that number to 44 LTE appointments - a reduction of 49 appointments, or approximately 53 percent.

This measurable reduction demonstrates that the previous investment improved the Society's staffing model and allowed recurring work to be better aligned with permanent positions. Limited term employees continue to be used appropriately for seasonal operations, temporary projects, special events, and other genuinely limited-term assignments.

The Wisconsin Historical Society has a unique operating model within state government. While its permanent FTE count is relatively modest, the Society operates a statewide network of museums, historic sites, libraries, archives, collections facilities, educational programs, and public services while preserving and providing access to millions of historical resources held in trust for the people of Wisconsin.

The Legislature previously recognized challenges associated with this operating model by authorizing 46.5 additional permanent position authority to reduce the Society's reliance on LTE appointments for core, year-round work. That investment improved workforce stability and better aligned permanent staffing with the Society's ongoing responsibilities.

The results of that investment are measurable. The Society has reduced its reliance on LTE appointments for recurring work from 93 appointments in 2018 to 44 appointments in 2026. This reduction of 49 LTE appointments demonstrates that permanent position authority can produce meaningful improvements in workforce stability, continuity of operations, institutional knowledge, and long-term program development.

The Society has reduced its reliance on LTE appointments for recurring work, while continuing to use LTE employees appropriately for seasonal operations, temporary projects, special events, and other genuinely limited-term assignments. The goal is not to eliminate LTE employment at the Society. Rather, the goal is to establish a more appropriate balance between permanent and temporary staffing by ensuring that recurring, year-round responsibilities can be supported by permanent employees when resources are available.

The reduction of appointments also provides a clearer basis for identifying the remaining areas where permanent position authority is needed. The Society is not seeking to convert all remaining LTE positions. Instead, it is seeking limited additional authority for recurring responsibilities that require continuity, specialized expertise, accountability, and long-term investment.

Recent agency planning has identified several areas where additional permanent capacity would strengthen the Society's ability to carry out its mission using financial resources that the Society generates or secures itself.

Collections Stewardship and Public Access

The Society has an ongoing responsibility to collect, preserve, manage, and provide access to Wisconsin's historical resources. Collections work requires specialized expertise and continuity to appropriately process collections, preserve materials, support digitization, manage access, and make historical resources available to researchers and the public.

Gifts, donations, grants, endowments, and other dedicated resources provide opportunities to support this work. Additional permanent position authority will allow the Society to more effectively use these resources to support recurring collections responsibilities and improve public access.

Educational Programming

Educational programming is central to the Society's mission and serves students, educators, families, and lifelong learners throughout Wisconsin. The Society is expanding its educational reach through school partnerships, Wisconsin history resources, classroom materials, field experiences, digital learning, historic sites, and the Wisconsin History Center.

Permanent position authority will provide greater continuity in program development, educator engagement, instructional resources, and delivery of educational experiences while allowing the Society to utilize available non-GPR resources to support this work.

Historic Site Programming and Public Engagement

The Society's museums and historic sites provide opportunities for residents and visitors to experience Wisconsin history through interpretation, educational programming, demonstrations, events, and community partnerships.

These functions require sustained planning, program development, historical expertise, and coordination. Additional permanent position authority will strengthen the Society's ability to provide consistent, high-quality mission-based programming across its statewide network.

Guest and Visitor Services

Guest and visitor services are essential to ensure that museums, historic sites, programs, and educational experiences are accessible and welcoming to the public.

Permanent staffing provides continuity in visitor services, school and group coordination, admissions, public access, and the systems and processes that support the visitor experience. These activities also generate revenue that helps sustain the Society's public programming and statewide operations.

The purpose of this request is not primarily to generate additional revenue. Earned revenue provides a sustainable funding source that allows the Society to invest in the people necessary to deliver its mission, serve visitors, provide educational experiences, and increase public access to Wisconsin history.

The requested 6.0 FTE positions will be supported through existing SEG and PR resources, including earned revenue, Society endowments, gifts, donations, grants, and other available mission-supported funds.

The Society considered continuing to rely on LTE appointments to perform recurring work in these areas. LTE appointments remain an important and appropriate component of the Society's workforce for seasonal operations, temporary projects, special events, and other genuinely limited-term assignments. However, continued reliance on LTE appointments for permanent, recurring functions creates challenges related to turnover, recruitment and training, continuity of operations, institutional knowledge, and long-term program development.

The Society also considered maintaining current permanent position authority and limiting services to available staffing capacity. This would constrain the Society's ability to fully utilize existing earned revenue, gifts, donations, grants, and endowment resources to advance educational programming, collections stewardship, historic site programming, and public access.

The requested position authority provides a more sustainable approach by allowing existing non-GPR resources to support permanent staffing for ongoing mission needs.

Chapter 44, Wisconsin Statutes, establishes the Wisconsin Historical Society and authorizes the Society to collect, preserve, and make accessible Wisconsin's historical resources; operate museums, historic sites, libraries, and archives; provide educational services; and carry out other activities necessary to fulfill its statutory responsibilities. The requested positions support existing Society responsibilities and do not expand the Society's statutory authority.

This request represents the next phase of the Legislature's previous investment in aligning the Society's permanent workforce with its core operational responsibilities. The previous initiative demonstrated the value of transitioning recurring, year-round work from temporary appointments to permanent positions. This request builds on that approach in a targeted manner focused entirely on positions that can be supported through existing non-GPR resources.

Additionally, this request reflects the results of the Society's recent agency planning efforts. Those efforts have reinforced the importance of focusing resources on the Society's core mission: preserving Wisconsin's historical resources, increasing access to history, strengthening history education, providing meaningful public experiences, and maintaining sustainable statewide operations.

Providing additional SEG and PR position authority will give the Society greater flexibility to use earned revenue, gifts, donations, grants, and endowment resources to support the permanent workforce necessary to carry out that mission.

The request does not eliminate the Society's need for LTE employees. Seasonal and temporary staffing will remain essential to operating museums, historic sites, programs, and special initiatives. Rather, the request creates a more appropriate balance between permanent and temporary staffing by ensuring that recurring, year-round responsibilities can be supported by permanent employees when resources are available.

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 4005 - Permanent Staffing Alignment

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$226,200	$301,400
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	($226,200)	($301,400)
05	Fringe Benefits	$0	$0
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$0**	**$0**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	6.00	6.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 4005 - Permanent Staffing Alignment

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
32 - Foundation Contributed Income	$0	$0	2.00	2.00
63 - History preservation partnership trust fund	$0	$0	4.00	4.00
Program Sub Total	**$0**	**$0**	**6.00**	**6.00**
DIN 4005 - Permanent Staffing Alignment Total	**$0**	**$0**	**6.00**	**6.00**
Agency Total	**$0**	**$0**	**6.00**	**6.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 4005 - Permanent Staffing Alignment

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
PR	S	$0	$0	2.00	2.00
SEG	S	$0	$0	4.00	4.00
DIN 4005 - Permanent Staffing Alignment Total		**$0**	**$0**	**6.00**	**6.00**
Agency Total		**$0**	**$0**	**6.00**	**6.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 4006 - Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society has reviewed its continuing, agency-funded appropriations and recommends revenue re-estimates for PR 13200 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(h)); and SEG 16100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(q)) and 16300 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(r)). These re-estimates are based on updated revenue projections, spending assumptions, and prior year actual results.

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 4006 - Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$24,000	$24,000
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$799,200	$1,064,800
05	Fringe Benefits	$74,400	$95,700
06	Supplies and Services	$2,813,500	$4,116,700
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$3,711,100**	**$5,301,200**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 4006 - Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
32 - Foundation Contributed Income	$2,025,000	$2,125,000	0.00	0.00
61 - General program operations	$248,000	$249,000	0.00	0.00
63 - History preservation partnership trust fund	$1,438,100	$2,927,200	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**$3,711,100**	**$5,301,200**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 4006 - Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations Total	**$3,711,100**	**$5,301,200**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$3,711,100**	**$5,301,200**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 4006 - Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
PR	S	$2,025,000	$2,125,000	0.00	0.00
SEG	S	$1,686,100	$3,176,200	0.00	0.00
DIN 4006 - Re-estimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations Total		**$3,711,100**	**$5,301,200**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$3,711,100**	**$5,301,200**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 4007 - Federal Project Position

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society requests position and budget authority for 1.0 FED project position (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(m)). The position authority was excluded from the agency adjusted base, but the position has been subsequently approved for extension into 27-29 biennium with an end date of 2/28/28.

State of Wisconsin Department of Administration

Tony Evers, Governor
Kathy Blumenfeld, Secretary
Brian Pahnke, Administrator

August 31, 2026

Christian W. Øverland, The Ruth and Hartley Baker Director
Wisconsin Historical Society
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Madison, WI 53706

Dear Mr. Øverland:

I am approving your request dated August 4, 2026, to extend 1.0 FTE federal project position pursuant to s. 16.54(8). This position will continue to fulfill the requirements of the federally funded Save America's Treasures grant project by supporting the digitization and metadata creation necessary to preserve and provide greater online access to civil rights movement collections. By making these collections accessible online, the project will benefit researchers, educators, students, and the public. The position will continue to be budgeted in the appropriation under s. 20.245(1)(m) and will have a new end date of February 28, 2028.

Sincerely,

Brian Pahnke
State Budget Director

cc: Wes Mosman Block, Deputy Director & Chief Operating Officer, WHS
Kate Easton, Federal & State Legislative Liaison, WHS
Amy Moran, Director of Budget & Finance, WHS
Kelli Ka'alele, Business Services Administrator, WHS

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 4007 - Federal Project Position

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$45,200	$30,100
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$18,300	$12,200
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$63,500**	**$42,300**
18	Project Positions Authorized	1.00	1.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 4007 - Federal Project Position

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
41 - General program operations, federal funds	$63,500	$42,300	1.00	1.00
Program Sub Total	**$63,500**	**$42,300**	**1.00**	**1.00**
DIN 4007 - Federal Project Position Total	**$63,500**	**$42,300**	**1.00**	**1.00**
Agency Total	**$63,500**	**$42,300**	**1.00**	**1.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 4007 - Federal Project Position

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
PR Federal	S	$63,500	$42,300	1.00	1.00
DIN 4007 - Federal Project Position Total		**$63,500**	**$42,300**	**1.00**	**1.00**
Agency Total		**$63,500**	**$42,300**	**1.00**	**1.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 4008 - Advisory: Utilities - New or Expanded Facilities

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society has a new facility that will be coming online in late FY2027. Total estimates for utilities expenses for this facility are $284,400 in each year of the biennium. See Paper for additional details.

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DIN 4008: ADVISORY Utilities for New or Expanded Facilities

The Wisconsin Historical Society ("WHS" or the "Society") has a new facility coming online between FY2027 and FY2029. Total estimates for utilities expenses for this facility are $284,400 in each of the fiscal years 2028 and 2029.

Wisconsin History Center, Madison

It is estimated that the Society will take full occupancy of the Wisconsin History Center ("WHC") in late FY2027, and the Society will be responsible for utilities expenses. WHS worked with an operations and management consultant focused on the museum and attraction industry, ProFun, to develop a three-year operating budget for the WHC. ProFun estimated that utilities expenses would be $23,700 per month based on assumed rate of $2.50 / SF for the WHC. Annual expenses would be $284,400.

Reminder: Old World Wisconsin, Eagle, April 2026 and April 2027

Several new and expanded facilities are coming online at Old World Wisconsin in the current 2025-27 biennium, including the new Guest Services Center and related amenities in April 2026 and the Tram Stop and Pavilion expansion in April 2027. The Guest Services Center and related amenities add an additional 14,736 square feet while the Tram Stop and Pavilion add 4,279 square feet. Using an assumed rate of $2.50 / SF, this would add an additional $36,840 and $10,700 respectively ($47,540 total) of utilities expenses annually; $9,210 in FY2026 and $39,515 in FY2027.

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 4008 - Advisory: Utilities - New or Expanded Facilities

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$0	$0
06	Supplies and Services	$0	$0
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$0**	**$0**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item (DIN): 7900 - Cybersecurity Requirements (Standard SI-2 Compliance Initiative)

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society ("WHS") requests one-time GPR 10100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(a)) funding of $453,400 in FY2028 and ongoing GPR funding of $908,000 starting in FY2028 to strengthen cybersecurity and information technology security to ensure WHS can meet new and evolving state and federal security requirements. This initiative is directed by the Department of Administration - Division of Enterprise Technology. See Paper for additional details.

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DIN 7900: Cybersecurity Requirements (Standard SI-2 Compliance Initiative)

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society" or "WHS") requests one-time GPR 10100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(a)) funding of $453,400 in FY2028 and ongoing GPR funding of $908,000 starting in FY2028 to strengthen cybersecurity and information technology security to ensure WHS can meet new and evolving state and federal security requirements. This initiative is directed by the Department of Administration (DOA) – Division of Enterprise Technology (DET).

Changes to state cybersecurity standards, driven in part by evolving federal requirements and the increasing speed and sophistication of cybersecurity threats, require state agencies to identify and address security vulnerabilities more quickly and strengthen how applications, systems, and digital information are protected. Recent mandatory updates from (DOA) including changes to the State of Wisconsin Security Standard SI-2 (Flaw Remediation), establish more stringent requirements and timelines for identifying, prioritizing, and correcting security vulnerabilities.

WHS maintains a significant and growing digital environment that includes public-facing applications, internal business systems, digitized collections and records, and sensitive state, federal, and tribal information. Meeting these new requirements will require additional cybersecurity capacity to meet mandated response times and proactive coordination, updated security tools, modernization of aging applications, and stronger backup and recovery protections.

To meet these new and evolving cybersecurity and information security requirements, this funding will support:

- IT Security Expertise and Response: Contracted cybersecurity expertise to monitor and address vulnerabilities, verify security updates, support secure application development, and provide additional capacity to respond to urgent cybersecurity issues.
- Ability to Operate the Wisconsin History Center: Tier 1 vulnerabilities must be mitigated within 24 hours or risk DET Bureau of Security turning systems off. The requested tools and resources will ensure the tech-heavy WHC visitor experience and safety and security systems remain operational during business hours.
- Automated Security Monitoring: Tools to continuously identify vulnerabilities and potential security risks across WHS servers, systems, and devices.
- Application Security Tools: Automated tools to identify security weaknesses during application development and help protect public-facing applications from malicious activity.
- Protected Cloud Backup: An immutable cloud backup environment for critical WHS digital assets and records, providing additional protection and recovery capability following a cyberattack, system failure, data loss, or vendor error.

- Protection for Legacy Systems: Additional security protections for older WHS applications so they can remain operational while underlying systems and software are modernized.
- Historic Preservation Database Modernization: Support to migrate the Wisconsin Historic Preservation Database (WHPD) to meet current state and applicable federal cybersecurity and information security requirements.

This funding request is critical to safeguarding the state's digital records and collections, meeting federal and state regulatory mandates, and strengthening defenses against evolving cybersecurity risks. Furthermore, it ensures the robust protection of sensitive state, federal, and Tribal data.

- Protecting Wisconsin's Digital Records and Collections
  Under Wis. Stats. § 44.02, WHS is responsible for preserving and providing access to Wisconsin's historical resources. Increasingly, these resources exist digitally, including state records, photographs, newspapers, collections materials, and other information that may not exist in physical form. WHS must ensure these digital resources remain secure, accessible, and preserved for the long term.
- Meeting State and Federal Security Requirements
  Under Wis. Stats. § 16.971, DOA's Division of Enterprise Technology (DET) establishes cybersecurity requirements for state agencies. Updated standards require agencies to identify and address security vulnerabilities within significantly shorter timelines. This funding will help WHS meet these requirements, implement DOA-approved protections for legacy systems, and keep critical applications operational while longer-term modernization occurs. DET has indicated that non-compliance with these new requirements will result in forced application shutdowns.
- Responding to Increasing Cybersecurity Risks
  Cybersecurity threats are becoming faster, more automated, and more sophisticated, requiring agencies to identify and address vulnerabilities more quickly. WHS currently distributes this work among IT staff with broader responsibilities. Additional expertise, automated security tools, and stronger backup protections are needed to reduce risk and respond within required timelines.
- Protecting Sensitive State, Federal, & Tribal Data
  WHS manages sensitive cultural and historical information, including the WHPD and archaeological and burial site information. Strengthening cybersecurity will help protect this information from unauthorized access while supporting compliance with applicable state and federal requirements.

Investing in early vulnerability remediation delivers a high Return on Investment (ROI) and robust risk mitigation by addressing software bugs during development, which is substantially cheaper than fixing code after a public breach. This proactive approach protects the agency from financial and operational threats, including forced application shutdowns by the DOA and costly ransomware demands. Furthermore, it shields the organization from compliance violations under public records laws while ensuring uninterrupted service continuity for online users.

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This request builds on previous state investments in digitalization and technology modernization and provides security infrastructure and capacity necessary to protect Wisconsin's digital historical resources for the long term. It fulfills the Society's mission of preserving Wisconsin History by protecting recent state investments that digitized physical archives and artifacts for the new Wisconsin History Center and to make collections more accessible across the State and beyond.

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 7900 - Cybersecurity Requirements (Standard SI-2 Compliance Initiative)

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$0	$0
06	Supplies and Services	$908,000	$908,000
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$453,400	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$1,361,400**	**$908,000**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 7900 - Cybersecurity Requirements (Standard SI-2 Compliance Initiative)

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$1,361,400	$908,000	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**$1,361,400**	**$908,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 7900 - Cybersecurity Requirements (Standard SI-2 Compliance Initiative) Total	**$1,361,400**	**$908,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$1,361,400**	**$908,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 7900 - Cybersecurity Requirements (Standard SI-2 Compliance Initiative)

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$1,361,400	$908,000	0.00	0.00
DIN 7900 - Cybersecurity Requirements (Standard SI-2 Compliance Initiative) Total		**$1,361,400**	**$908,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$1,361,400**	**$908,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item (DIN): 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services Assessments

NARRATIVE

The Wisconsin Historical Society requests $404,000 GPR 10100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(a)) funding annually, starting in FY2028, to support increased Department of Administration - Allocated Central Services. These statewide assessments fund enterprise administrative services that support agency operations and are required costs assessed to state agencies. See Paper for additional details.

WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

<u>2027-2029 Biennial Budget</u>

DIN 7910: DOA Allocated Central Services Assessments

The Wisconsin Historical Society (the "Society") requests $404,000 GPR 10100 (Wis. Stat. sec. 20.245(1)(a)) funding annually, starting in FY2028, to support increased Department of Administration (DOA) Allocated Central Services. These statewide assessments fund enterprise administrative services that support agency operations and are required costs assessed to state agencies.

The Society has experienced increased costs associated with statewide DOA allocated central service assessments that are outside the agency's direct control. These assessments provide essential statewide administrative infrastructure and shared services that support agency operations, compliance, financial management, procurement, legal services, human resources, enterprise information systems, continuity of operations, insurance, and other centralized functions.

The requested funding will allow the Society to absorb these increased statewide costs without reducing direct mission-related programs, public services, collections stewardship, educational programming, or operational support. Providing ongoing GPR for these mandatory assessments ensures the Society can continue meeting statewide administrative requirements while maintaining existing service levels.

The request is calculated based on the net increase in DOA Central Services Assessments that occurred from FY2023 (base year) to FY2025.

DOA Assessment	**FY23 Cost**	**FY25 Cost**	**Increase (Decrease)**
COOP/COG Services	$1,114.00	$2,064.00	$950.00
DOA Legal Services	$12,818.00	$15,939.00	$3,121.00
DOA Procurement Services	$7,613.00	$13,496.00	$5,883.00
Fed Aid Management Services	$216.00	$48.00	($168.00)
Financial Services Assessment	$34,914.00	$40,865.00	$5,951.00
IBIS Assessment	$2,264.00	$2,652.00	$388.00
Insurance - Liability	$17,401.00	$16,825.00	($576.00)
Insurance - Other	$3,225.53	$3,300.00	$74.47
Insurance - Property	$124,460.00	$119,897.00	($4,563.00)
Insurance - Workers Compensation	$59,603.00	$96,135.00	$36,532.00
Personnel Management Services	$419,610.00	$712,105.96	$292,495.96
SEI Assessment	$61,519.00	$122,660.00	$61,141.00
STAR Cornerstone	$6,973.00	$3,479.00	($3,494.00)
STAR DEVELOPMENT	$27,297.00	$31,968.00	$4,671.00
STAR MAINT & OPS	$59,057.00	$60,346.00	$1,289.00
State Use Board Services	$225.00	$525.00	$300.00
Totals	**$838,309.53**	**$1,242,304.96**	**$403,995.43**

Decision Item by Line

Decision Item (DIN): 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services Assessments

Line Number	Expenditure Items	1st Year Cost	2nd Year Cost
01	Permanent Position Salaries	$0	$0
02	Turnover	$0	$0
03	Project Position Salaries	$0	$0
04	LTE/Misc. Salaries	$0	$0
05	Fringe Benefits	$0	$0
06	Supplies and Services	$404,000	$404,000
07	Permanent Property	$0	$0
08	Unallotted Reserve	$0	$0
09	Aids to Individuals & Organizations	$0	$0
10	Local Assistance	$0	$0
11	One-time Financing	$0	$0
12	Debt service	$0	$0
13	Special Purpose	$0	$0
14		$0	$0
15		$0	$0
16		$0	$0
17	**TOTAL**	**$404,000**	**$404,000**
18	Project Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
19	Classified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00
20	Unclassified Positions Authorized	0.00	0.00

Decision Item by Numeric

Program: 01 - History services

Decision Item (DIN): 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services Assessments

Numeric	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
01 - General program operations	$404,000	$404,000	0.00	0.00
Program Sub Total	**$404,000**	**$404,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
DIN 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services Assessments Total	**$404,000**	**$404,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total	**$404,000**	**$404,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**

Decision Item by Fund Source

Decision Item (DIN): 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services Assessments

Source of Funds	Type	1st Year Total	2nd Year Total	1st Year FTE	2nd Year FTE
GPR	S	$404,000	$404,000	0.00	0.00
DIN 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services Assessments Total		**$404,000**	**$404,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**
Agency Total		**$404,000**	**$404,000**	**0.00**	**0.00**

ACT 201

Proposal under s. 16.42(4)(b): **0% change in each fiscal year**

FY: **FY28**

Agency: **WHS - 245**

Exclude: Federal
Debt Service

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						(See Note 1)	Proposed Budget 2027-28			Change from Adj Base		(See Note 2) Remove SBAs		Change from Adj Base after Removal of SBAs	
	Appropriation		Fund			0% Change			Item						
Agency	Alpha	Numeric	Source	$	FTE	Target	Proposed $	Proposed FTE	Ref	$	FTE	$	FTE	$	FTE
245	**1a**	101	GPR	$20,466,500.00	112.65	$0	$20,741,200	112.65	3,4,5,6	$274,700	0.00	($274,700)	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1c**	105	GPR	$1,229,300.00	0.00	$0	$1,229,300	0.00		$0	0.00	$0	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1d**	107	GPR	$562,700.00	6.00	$0	$3,287,300	9.00	7	$2,724,600	3.00	($76,400)	0.00	$2,648,200	3.00
245	**1h**	127	PR	$130,000.00	0.00	$0	$90,200	0.00	8	($39,800)	0.00	$0	0.00	($39,800)	0.00
245	**1h**	132	PR	$3,781,100.00	5.20	$0	$3,700,000	7.20	1,8	($81,100)	2.00	$21,100	0.00	($60,000)	2.00
245	**1k**	138	PR	$364,600.00	2.00	$0	$363,700	2.00	2	($900)	0.00	$900	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1km**	136	PR	$262,000.00	2.75	$0	$270,500	2.75		$8,500	0.00	($8,500)	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1ks**	137	PR	$2,125,000.00	11.40	$0	$1,600,000	11.40	8	($525,000)	0.00	($137,300)	0.00	($662,300)	0.00
245	**1kw**	120	PR	$382,300.00	3.00	$0	$361,900	3.00		($20,400)	0.00	$20,400	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1q**	161	SEG	$1,018,900.00	4.50	$0	$800,000	4.50	1,8	($218,900)	0.00	($24,400)	0.00	($243,300)	0.00
245	**1r**	163	SEG	$5,354,000.00	26.59	$0	$4,200,000	30.59	1,8	($1,154,000)	4.00	($488,800)	0.00	($1,642,800)	4.00
245	**1y**	164	SEG	$93,100.00	1.00	$0	$96,100	1.00		$3,000	0.00	($3,000)	0.00	$0	0.00
Totals				**$35,769,500.00**	**175.09**	**$0**	**$36,740,200**	**184.09**		**$970,700**	**9.00**	**($970,700)**	**0.00**	**$0**	**9.00**

Note 1: Reduction target must be met within state operations appropriations, but may be allocated across those appropriations and fund sources.
Note 2: Amounts should be SBAs (DINs 3001 - 3011) from agency request multiplied by -1.

Target Reduction = $0

Difference = **$0**
Should equal $0

Items - Describe proposed changes (excl. SBAs) to reach target or other priorities of agency

1 Remove DIN 4006 Resestimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations
2 Remove DIN 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation
3 Remove DIN 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation
4 Remove DIN 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education
5 Remove DIN 7900 - Cybersecurity
6 Remove DIN 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services
7 Remove $1M from DIN 4001 - Wisconsin History Center.
8 The Historical Society would use a combination of methods to reach the remaining 0% reduction target, including use of existing cash balances in available appropriations, increased revenue strategies, cost reductions, and strategic position management

ACT 201

Proposal under s. 16.42(4)(b): **5% change in each fiscal year**
FY: **FY28**
Agency: **WHS - 245**

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	Appropriation		Fund			(See Note 1) 5% Change	Proposed Budget 2027-28		Item	Change from Adj Base		(See Note 2) Remove SBAs		Change from Adj Base after Removal of SBAs	
Agency	Alpha	Numeric	Source	$	FTE	Target	Proposed $	Proposed FTE	Ref	$	FTE	$	FTE	$	FTE
245	**1a**	101	GPR	$20,466,500.00	112.65	($1,023,300)	$20,741,200	112.65	3,4,5,6	$274,700	0.00	($274,700)	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1c**	105	GPR	$1,229,300.00	0.00	($61,500)	$1,000,000	0.00	8	($229,300)	0.00	$0	0.00	($229,300)	0.00
245	**1d**	107	GPR	$562,700.00	6.00	($28,100)	$2,687,300	9.00	7	$2,124,600	3.00	($76,400)	0.00	$2,048,200	3.00
245	**1h**	127	PR	$130,000.00	0.00	($6,500)	$80,000	0.00	8	($50,000)	0.00	$0	0.00	($50,000)	0.00
245	**1h**	132	PR	$3,781,100.00	5.20	($189,100)	$3,000,000	7.20	1,8	($781,100)	2.00	$21,100	0.00	($760,000)	2.00
245	**1k**	138	PR	$364,600.00	2.00	($18,200)	$363,700	2.00	2	($900)	0.00	$900	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1km**	136	PR	$262,000.00	2.75	($13,100)	$270,500	2.75		$8,500	0.00	($8,500)	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1ks**	137	PR	$2,125,000.00	11.40	($106,300)	$1,600,000	11.40	8	($525,000)	0.00	($137,300)	0.00	($662,300)	0.00
245	**1kw**	120	PR	$382,300.00	3.00	($19,100)	$361,900	3.00		($20,400)	0.00	$20,400	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1q**	161	SEG	$1,018,900.00	4.50	($50,900)	$751,000	4.50	1,8	($267,900)	0.00	($24,400)	0.00	($292,300)	0.00
245	**1r**	163	SEG	$5,354,000.00	26.59	($267,700)	$4,000,000	30.59	1,8	($1,354,000)	4.00	($488,800)	0.00	($1,842,800)	4.00
245	**1y**	164	SEG	$93,100.00	1.00	($4,700)	$96,100	1.00		$3,000	0.00	($3,000)	0.00	$0	0.00
Totals				**$35,769,500.00**	**175.09**	**($1,788,500)**	**$34,951,700**	**184.09**		**($817,800)**	**9.00**	**($970,700)**	**0.00**	**($1,788,500)**	**9.00**

Note 1: Reduction target must be met within state operations appropriations, but may be allocated across those appropriations and fund sources.
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Target Reduction = ($1,788,500)

Difference = **$0**
Should equal $0

Items - Describe proposed changes (excl. SBAs) to reach target or other priorities of agency

1 Remove DIN 4006 Resestimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations
2 Remove DIN 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation
3 Remove DIN 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation
4 Remove DIN 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education
5 Remove DIN 7900 - Cybersecurity
6 Remove DIN 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services
7 Remove $1.6M from DIN 4001
8 The Historical Society would use a combination of methods to reach the remaining 0% reduction target, including use of existing cash balances in available appropriations, increased revenue strategies, cost reductions, and strategic position management

ACT 201

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FY: **FY29**

Agency: **WHS - 245**

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245	**1a**	101	GPR	$20,466,500.00	112.65	$0	$20,741,200	112.65	3,4,5,6	$274,700	0.00	($274,700)	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1c**	105	GPR	$1,229,300.00	0.00	$0	$1,229,300	0.00		$0	0.00	$0	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1d**	107	GPR	$562,700.00	6.00	$0	$2,028,600	9.00		$1,465,900	3.00	($76,400)	0.00	$1,389,500	3.00
245	**1h**	127	PR	$130,000.00	0.00	$0	$91,300	0.00	7	($38,700)	0.00	$0	0.00	($38,700)	0.00
245	**1h**	132	PR	$3,781,100.00	5.20	$0	$3,760,000	7.20	1,7	($21,100)	2.00	$21,100	0.00	$0	2.00
245	**1k**	138	PR	$364,600.00	2.00	$0	$363,700	2.00	2	($900)	0.00	$900	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1km**	136	PR	$262,000.00	2.75	$0	$270,500	2.75		$8,500	0.00	($8,500)	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1ks**	137	PR	$2,125,000.00	11.40	$0	$1,900,000	11.40	7	($225,000)	0.00	($139,700)	0.00	($364,700)	0.00
245	**1kw**	120	PR	$382,300.00	3.00	$0	$361,900	3.00		($20,400)	0.00	$20,400	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1q**	161	SEG	$1,018,900.00	4.50	$0	$850,000	4.50	1,7	($168,900)	0.00	($24,400)	0.00	($193,300)	0.00
245	**1r**	163	SEG	$5,354,000.00	26.59	$0	$5,050,000	30.59	1,7	($304,000)	4.00	($488,800)	0.00	($792,800)	4.00
245	**1y**	164	SEG	$93,100.00	1.00	$0	$96,100	1.00		$3,000	0.00	($3,000)	0.00	$0	0.00
Totals				**$35,769,500.00**	**175.09**	**$0**	**$36,742,600**	**184.09**		**$973,100**	**9.00**	**($973,100)**	**0.00**	**$0**	**9.00**

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Agency	Alpha	Numeric	Source	$	FTE	Target	Proposed $	Proposed FTE	Ref	$	FTE	$	FTE	$	FTE
245	**1a**	101	GPR	$20,466,500.00	112.65	($1,023,300)	$20,741,200	112.65	3,4,5,6	$274,700	0.00	($274,700)	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1c**	105	GPR	$1,229,300.00	0.00	($61,500)	$1,100,000	0.00	7	($129,300)	0.00	$0	0.00	($129,300)	0.00
245	**1d**	107	GPR	$562,700.00	6.00	($28,100)	$2,028,600	9.00		$1,465,900	3.00	($76,400)	0.00	$1,389,500	3.00
245	**1h**	127	PR	$130,000.00	0.00	($6,500)	$81,100	0.00	7	($48,900)	0.00	$0	0.00	($48,900)	0.00
245	**1h**	132	PR	$3,781,100.00	5.20	($189,100)	$3,000,000	7.20	1,7	($781,100)	2.00	$21,100	0.00	($760,000)	2.00
245	**1k**	138	PR	$364,600.00	2.00	($18,200)	$363,700	2.00	2	($900)	0.00	$900	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1km**	136	PR	$262,000.00	2.75	($13,100)	$270,500	2.75		$8,500	0.00	($8,500)	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1ks**	137	PR	$2,125,000.00	11.40	($106,300)	$1,600,000	11.40	7	($525,000)	0.00	($139,700)	0.00	($664,700)	0.00
245	**1kw**	120	PR	$382,300.00	3.00	($19,100)	$361,900	3.00		($20,400)	0.00	$20,400	0.00	$0	0.00
245	**1q**	161	SEG	$1,018,900.00	4.50	($50,900)	$751,000	4.50	1,7	($267,900)	0.00	($24,400)	0.00	($292,300)	0.00
245	**1r**	163	SEG	$5,354,000.00	26.59	($267,700)	$4,560,000	30.59	1,7	($794,000)	4.00	($488,800)	0.00	($1,282,800)	4.00
245	**1y**	164	SEG	$93,100.00	1.00	($4,700)	$96,100	1.00		$3,000	0.00	($3,000)	0.00	$0	0.00
Totals				**$35,769,500.00**	**175.09**	**($1,788,500)**	**$34,954,100**	**184.09**		**($815,400)**	**9.00**	**($973,100)**	**0.00**	**($1,788,500)**	**9.00**

Note 1: Reduction target must be met within state operations appropriations, but may be allocated across those appropriations and fund sources.
Note 2: Amounts should be SBAs (DINs 3001 - 3011) from agency request multiplied by -1.

Target Reduction = ($1,788,500)

Difference = **$0**
Should equal $0

Items - Describe proposed changes (excl. SBAs) to reach target or other priorities of agency

1 Remove DIN 4006 Resestimates of Revenue for Continuing Appropriations
2 Remove DIN 4002 - NAGPRA Compliance and Repatriation
3 Remove DIN 4003 - Wisconsin History Access and Preservation
4 Remove DIN 4004 - Removing Barriers to Access History Education
5 Remove DIN 7900 - Cybersecurity
6 Remove DIN 7910 - DOA Allocated Central Services
7 The Historical Society would use a combination of methods to reach the remaining 0% reduction target, including use of existing cash balances in available appropriations, increased revenue strategies, cost reductions, and strategic position management