



**MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

**MNHS Capital Budget Request  
February, 2025**

# MNHS Capital Budget Request Review

- **Overview of MNHS**
- **MNHS 2025 Capital Budget Priorities**



## MISSION

**We serve all the people of Minnesota by creating powerful engagement with history to cultivate curiosity and foster a more inclusive, empathetic, and informed society.**

# MNHS Strategic Plan

## 2021 - 2026





# 2021-2026 STRATEGIC IMPERATIVES

Transforming Access

Reenvisioning Space

Expanding Authority and Expertise

Creating a Sustainable Future



## STRATEGIC IMPERATIVE

### Transforming Access

Transform our programs and services to better leverage and incorporate technology, creating innovative technological programs that blend onsite and online experiences to engage existing audiences in more meaningful ways, attract new audiences, and remove barriers to accessing MNHS content and programming.







## STRATEGIC IMPERATIVE

### Reenvisioning Space

Push history to all corners of Minnesota, beyond the confines of our existing properties.



## STRATEGIC IMPERATIVE

### Expanding Authority and Expertise

Partner with communities and organizations to seek, acknowledge, elevate, and share hidden histories, diverse stories, and non-traditional expertise.





## STRATEGIC IMPERATIVE

### Creating a Sustainable Future

Build out and support the infrastructure needed to achieve programmatic objectives in alignment with our financial and human resources.



# 2025 MNHS Capital Budget Request (\$ in 000s)

Project	Funding Source	Request - 2025	Gov Rec
Historic Sites Asset Preservation	GO	\$15,345	\$ 5,215
County and Local Historic Preservation Grants	GO	\$ 1,250	\$ 900
PATH - Preservation and Access to History - Collections Facilities Improvements - Design	GO	\$ 3,600	\$ --

# MNHS CBR Review

## 1. Historic Sites Asset Preservation

- MNHS is responsible for 150+ structures statewide
- Nearly half of these structures are over 100 years old
- Sites are part of statutorily defined Historic Sites Network in Mn Statutes 138 – a state responsibility
- Asset Preservation Projects for Historic Structures take specialized design and construction techniques as they all must follow the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties
- Modern visitor centers are approaching life-cycle of repair or replacement



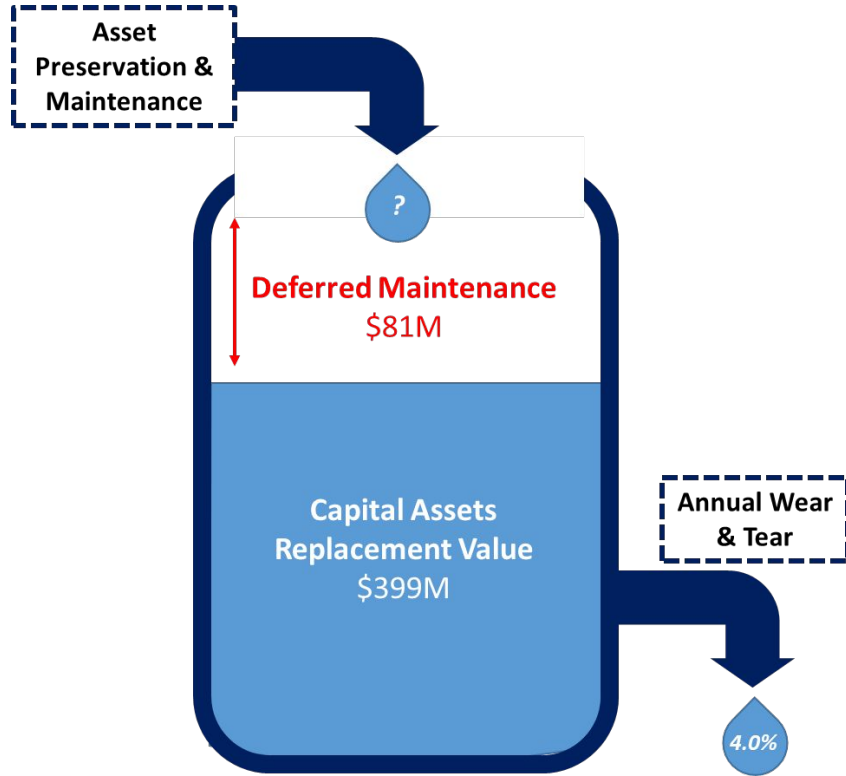
# Historic Sites Network

Minnesota Statutes,  
Section 138.662 - -



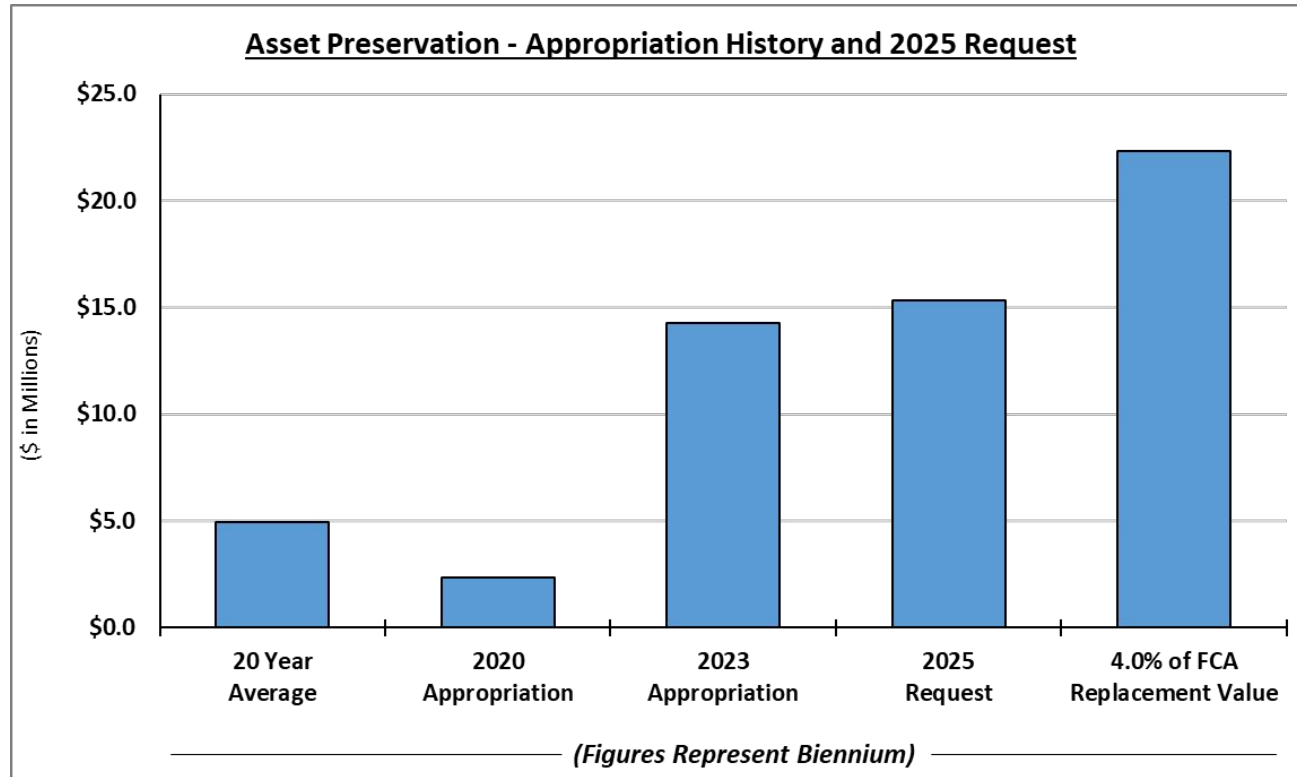


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<b>Replacement Value</b>	Based on Archibus
<b>Deferred Maintenance</b>	Based on FCA/Archibus
<b>Maintenance Inflow</b>	Asset Preservation Bond + general fund Maintenance and Repair
<b>Wear &amp; Tear Outflow</b>	+/- 4.0% of replacement value

# MNHS Asset Preservation Appropriations



# MNHS Capital Budget - Asset Preservation

**2025 Gov's Rec: \$5.1 m      Overall AP Needs: \$15,345,000**

Snake River / NW Co Fur Post Visitor Center & Picnic Shelter Roof	\$1,000,000
Mill City Museum Train Shed & East Engine House	\$1,250,000
Mille Lacs Museum Reroof	\$650,000
Comstock House Foundation Stabilization	\$675,000
Mayo House Exterior Preservation	\$300,000
Fort Ridgely Masonry Stabilization	\$365,000
Mill City Museum Wheel House Rehabilitation	\$400,000
Split Rock Lighthouse Dwelling #3 Preservation	\$325,000

<u>Kelley Farm Outbuilding Ext Preservation</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>
Hill House Gatehouse Int Preservation	\$425,000
Fort Snelling Building #17 Int Preservation	\$2,955,000
Fort Snelling Building #30 Int Preservation	\$3,000,000
Folsom House Interior Preservation	\$200,000
Fort Snelling Building #22 Preservation	\$3,000,000
Fort Snelling Exterior Preservation	\$3,000,000
Design-Future Asset Preservation Project	\$400,000
Statewide Monuments and Markers	\$150,000
	<b>\$15,345,000</b>

# 2023 Asset Preservation In Process Projects

## **Split Rock Lighthouse**

Trails & Landscape Rehabilitation

## **Split Rock Lighthouse**

Moisture Mitigation

## **Fort Snelling** Shops Building

Roof Replacement

## **Fort Snelling** Round Tower &

Commandant's House

Preservation

## **Mille Lacs Indian Museum**

HVAC Updates

## **Kelley Farm** Farmhouse

Preservation

## **Ramsey House**

House Preservation

## **Mill City Museum** Feed Elevator

Roof Replacement

## **Lower Sioux** Warehouse

Preservation

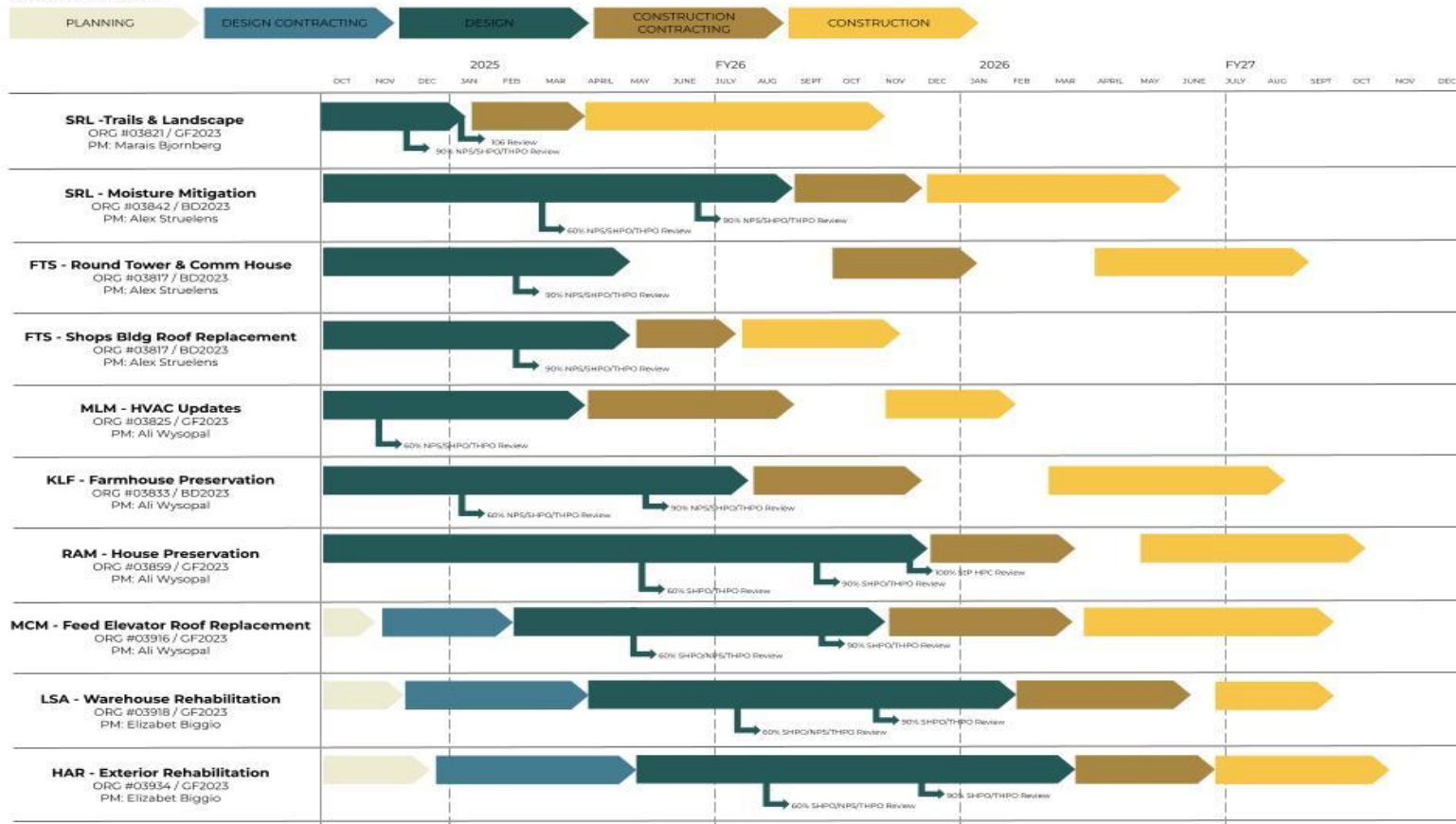
## **Harkin Store** Exterior

Rehabilitation



# Asset Preservation Projects Schedule

Updated 2024.01.10 KGR





# Recently Completed Projects



James J Hill House  
Masonry Rehabilitation ('18, '20)



# Recently Completed Projects



Mille Lacs Indian Museum Exterior  
Rehabilitation ('18, '20)



Forest History Center VC Roof  
Replacement ('18, '20)



# 2025 Request Projects



Snake River/NW Co Fur Post Visitor  
Center Roof Replacement (1)



Mill City Museum Train Shed &  
East Engine House (2)



Comstock House Foundation Stabilization  
(4)



# 2025 Request Projects



Mayo House Exterior Preservation (5)

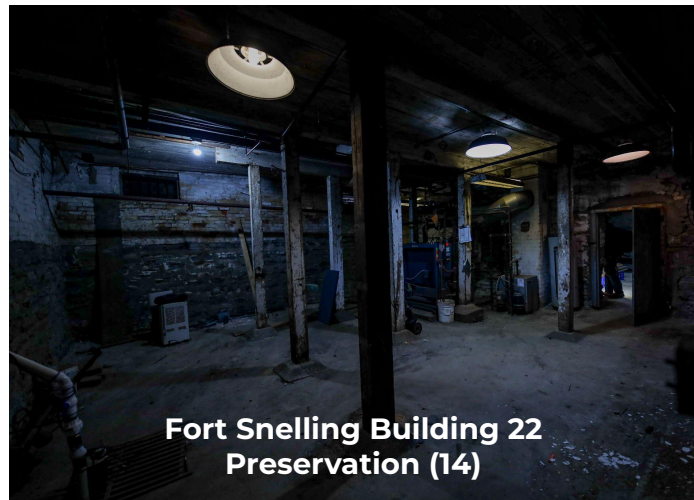


Fort Ridgely Masonry  
Preservation (6)



Kelley Farm Outbuilding Exterior  
Preservation (9)

# 2025 Request Projects



**Fort Snelling Building 22  
Preservation (14)**



**Fort Snelling Building #17 & Link  
Interior Preservation (11)**



**Hill House Gatehouse  
Preservation (10)**



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## 2. County and Local Historic Preservation Grants

**\$1.250 million**

**Gov Rec: \$900,000**

Recent grant examples:

- Restoration of historic railroad depot
- City hall windows and door rehabilitation
- Courthouse accessibility project
- Carnegie library preservation
- Historic hockey arena roof replacement



# MNHS 2025 Capital Budget Request

## **Preservation and Access to History (PATH) Project:**

### **History Facility Enhancements - Collections Care**

Starting Predesign, April 2025

#### **Future Requests:**

Design

Construction

# MNHS/History Center Facility Enhancements



# MNHS/History Center Facility Enhancements

## Project goals:

- **Secure collections** in proper environmental conditions for long-term preservation and access
  - Renovate facility at 1500 Mississippi Street, St. Paul
  - Build out planned unfinished expansion space in History Center
  - Renovate existing storage spaces in History Center to increase efficiency and capacity within existing spaces



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# Thank You!

