

**Report form for east Multnomah County historical societies’  
annual report to the OHS Levy Oversight Committee  
Reporting for FY ‘20 (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020)**

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| Your name and role:   | Twila Mysinger, Treasurer   |  |   |       |                            |     |                                      |    |   |    |  |       |   |     |                                |     |  |       |              |                |
| Name of organization:   | FRW Historical Society, dba an East County Historical Organization (ECHO)   |  |   |       |                            |     |                                      |    |   |    |  |       |   |     |                                |     |  |       |              |                |
| Contact information for organization:   | tmysinger@echohistory.org<br>503-618-0946   |  |   |       |                            |     |                                      |    |   |    |  |       |   |     |                                |     |  |       |              |                |
| <b>Reporting for levy funds</b>   |   |  |   |       |                            |     |                                      |    |   |    |  |       |   |     |                                |     |  |       |              |                |
| Total levy funds received:  | \$40,000  |  |   |       |                            |     |                                      |    |   |    |  |       |   |     |                                |     |  |       |              |                |
| Date(s) levy funds were received:   | 7/25/2019 \$20,000<br>1/29/2020 \$20,000  |  |   |       |                            |     |                                      |    |   |    |  |       |   |     |                                |     |  |       |              |                |
| Details for how levy funds have been spent and/or budgeted for:   | <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Buttery</b> - Permit and fees to clean up the buttery building, which was harmed by a fallen tree.</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">4,342</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Exhibit</b> - Materials</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">178</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Grant Expenses</b> - GrantStation</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">79</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Maintenance</b> - New vacuum cleaner</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">99</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Marketing</b> - Website, content development for web, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, new road signs</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">2,545</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Research</b> - Ancestry Subscription</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">104</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Restoration</b> - Materials</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">104</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Storage</b> - ECHO materials and ZH artifacts</td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;">1,370</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><b>Total</b></td> <td style="text-align: right; padding: 5px;"><b>\$8,820</b></td> </tr> </table> |  | <b>Buttery</b> - Permit and fees to clean up the buttery building, which was harmed by a fallen tree. | 4,342 | <b>Exhibit</b> - Materials | 178 | <b>Grant Expenses</b> - GrantStation | 79 | <b>Maintenance</b> - New vacuum cleaner | 99 | <b>Marketing</b> - Website, content development for web, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, new road signs | 2,545 | <b>Research</b> - Ancestry Subscription | 104 | <b>Restoration</b> - Materials | 104 | <b>Storage</b> - ECHO materials and ZH artifacts | 1,370 | <b>Total</b> | <b>\$8,820</b> |
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| Summary of how levy funds are helping your organization “protect the collection of Oregon history documents and artifacts, and public access to those.” (taken from ballot language for Measure 26-118) | <p>A major project this year was the demolition of the Buttery and site cleanup.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This building, identified on the historical registry, was in poor condition when ECHO first received the property.</li> <li>• ECHO hired structural engineers who assessed and advised that the building was unsafe and could not be saved.</li> <li>• Soon after, historical items from the Buttery were moved to the Zimmerman House basement and a storage unit.</li> <li>• In the spring of 2016, the Buttery partially collapsed and the following winter a large tree fell on the remaining structure.</li> <li>• ECHO applied for appropriate permits from the City of Gresham, which were approved in October 2019</li> </ul>   |  |   |       |                            |     |                                      |    |   |    |  |       |   |     |                                |     |  |       |              |                |

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|  | <p>to complete the demolition. These fees alone were over \$3500.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Archaeological Investigations NW (AINW) volunteers spent MLK Day of Service with ECHO volunteers discovering historic items that had been stored under the floorboards of the Buttery building. AINW is completing the list of all the historic items found and the items will become part of the Zimmerman House collection.</li> <li>• Volunteers filled a large dumpster with roofing materials and wood supports; the bulk of the bricks were saved and will be repurposed. ECHO also retained many of the best examples of various house trim and door pieces.</li> </ul> <p>Other efforts included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We completed some restoration at the Zimmerman House including new window glass and support posts in the basement. One of our volunteers completed this work.</li> <li>• We continued our weekly posts on our website and/or Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. This is done by one volunteer in concert with the company that manages our social media.</li> <li>• The Levy funds were also used for a small storage unit that holds some of the Zimmerman House collection and some business materials.</li> </ul> |
| <p>Summary of how levy funds are being spent in a manner reflective of Multnomah County’s diverse cultures.</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work on a new exhibit at the Heslin House around the Japanese that lived in the area prior to World War II is underway. We have a variety of photographs and written stories from that time.</li> <li>• We participated in the National Trust for Historic Preservation’s effort to find “Where Women Made History”. We submitted our three generations of Zimmerman women, which you can <a href="#">find here</a>. At this time, there are only 6 stories from Oregon out of roughly 900 nationwide.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>Anything else you want the Levy Oversight Committee to know?</b></p>   |  |
| <p>It has been such a relief to be able to focus on our mission and not worry if we could pay the utility bills! And the funding has been extra helpful this year as our museums remain closed due to Covid-19.</p> <p>While it’s been over nine years since the Levy began, we remain extremely grateful.</p> |  |