

Report form for east Multnomah County historical societies' annual report to the OHS Levy Oversight Committee

Reporting for FY 2017 (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017)

Your name and role:	Charles A Rollins, President
Historical Society you represent	
Name of organization:	Crown Point Country Historical Society P O Box 17 Bridal Veil, Oregon 97010
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Reporting for levy funds	
Total levy funds received:	\$40,000.00
Date(s) levy funds were received:	July 2016 \$ 20,000.00 January 2017 \$ 20,000.00
Details for how levy funds have been spent and/or budgeted for:	<p>Operations: Budgeted 10% or \$4,000.00</p> <p>Rent \$1,200.00 Insurance 1,291.00 Website 600.00 Postage 576.00 Printing 347.39</p> <p>Total \$4,014.39</p> <p>Restorations/Displays Budgeted 20% or \$8,000.00</p> <p>Artifacts/Displays 480.00 Storage/Archival 2,316.33 Total \$2,796.33</p> <p>Books, Oral Histories Budgeted 0% or \$ 0.00</p> <p>Reprint in process, editing, typing histories with Partner East Multnomah Pioneer Association which will be contributing to part of the costs. Reallocated Funds to other budget items.</p> <p>Museum Building Fund/Land Budgeted 50% or \$20,000.00</p> <p>Axis Design Group \$ 39,433.50 (Structural Engineering) Archaeological Study 2,595.40 Mult. Co. Fencing permit 254.00 Total \$42,282.90</p> <p>(Through careful and prudent spending over the past 1 ½ years we have been able to save funds as well as having fundraisers to meet the structural engineering portion of the Building requirements.</p> <p>Savings: \$8,000.00 Budgeted 20% or \$8,000.00</p>

<p>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>	<p>For the last six years the Crown Point Country Historical Society has worked to build a museum where the story of our area’s unique and rich history from pre-contact time to the present can be told. We started by purchasing a Historic Auto Camp property located on the Historic Columbia River Hwy. Working through the permit process which included an archaeological study, we are now having the building designed and structurally engineered, which is almost complete. The next step is to present the plans to Multnomah County for review. Once we receive approval, we will start Phase 1, Building foundation and basement. Since the Society is close to starting the building, people have come forward to donate thousands of artifacts pertinent to our area. Our volunteers are busy documenting and archiving those items.</p> <p>It is important to note our museum site will give us direct access to many tourists from around the world who travel to points and beyond in the Columbia River Gorge, giving us an opportunity to tell this region’s history. With the help of the tax levy funds we can preserve, display and share our past with the world.</p> <p>We are working with our local partners in this endeavor which includes the local schools. We sponsored a poster contest for the second year with the Grade, Middle and High school featuring the theme “Our River, Our History”. Many students participated and with the many submissions we received, the theme was illustrated in a very positive way. The Society was impressed with all of the posters. Signed permission from the parents on the artwork grants CPCHS permission to draw up on the artwork to use in the museum and for future promotions.</p>
<p>Summary of how levy funds are being spent in a manner reflective of Multnomah County’s diverse cultures.</p>	<p>East Multnomah County was very diversified from the Indigenous Peoples (Wasco Nation), the early European settlers, the Chinese Laborers who worked on the railroads and in the fish canneries at McGowan Cannery at Rooster Rock and the Nikkei farmers.</p> <p>For the annual picnic in the summer of 2016 we held a Traditional Salmon Bake, prepared by the native people cooking the salmon the way it was done for thousands of years. The event was well attended and everyone said that was the “best salmon they had eaten”.</p> <p>With that in mind, we plan to have another Traditional Salmon Bake this year to continue this tradition.</p>
<p>Anything else you want the Levy Oversight Committee to know?</p>	

We will continue to work with the Oregon Historical Society, the new Levy Oversight Committee, the Multnomah County Commissioners and the Tax Supervising Conservation Commission. The levy had broad support in the community and we have partnered with eleven community organizations. With everyone’s hard work we will be able to preserve and share the cultural resources of this area for future generations.