

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

**Reporting for FY 2012 (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012)**

Your name and role:	Charles A Rollins, President				
<b>Historical Society you represent</b>					
Name of organization:	Crown Point Country Historical Society				
Contact information for organization:	P O Box 17 Bridal Veil Oregon 97010				
<b>Reporting for levy funds</b>					
Total levy funds received:	\$37,500.00				
Date(s) levy funds were received:	July 20 2011 and January 4 2012				
Details for how levy funds have been spent and/or budgeted for:	Operations: Rent, Insurance, Supplies	Spent	\$2,958.00	Budgeted	\$3,000.00
	Restoration, Displays & Scholarship		4,364.00*		7,500.00
	*Charles W Post restoration, \$2,108.00 portion, received matching funds				
	Pioneer Book, Oral Histories		1,000.00		3,750.00
	Museum Building Fund		15,750.00		15,750.00
	Savings, Emergency & Future Reserves		7,500.00		7,500.00
This yearly projection of revenue spending can be adjusted to meet our needs.					

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)

Thanks to the passage of measure (26-118) our society has adopted a five year plan that determines our needs and sets a priority on how we vision the use of the revenue as it relates to the protection of our cultural resources and sharing it with the public. We are in the process of negotiating a possible site for our museum. This is top priority along with restoring the Charles W Post art collection, photo restoration, cataloging and archiving and documenting and publishing our oral histories.

For the first time we are able to display some of the original paintings by artist Charles W Post. These 100 year old paintings needed to be restored, cleaned and framed. Using funds from the tax levy and from a private donation, some of the paintings have been cleaned and restored and will be shown at this years Columbia Gorge Art Festival on May 19 and 20<sup>th</sup>.

This spring we were able to purchase a large group of logging photos taken on Larch Mountain (1889-1915). One of the photos was taken by J. F. Ford, which helped answer an on going debate about where the first skyline logging was done. On the photograph it states that the skyline logging system was invented at the Apex Transportation Company logging camp on Larch Mountain. Bob Barr, an early East Multnomah County pioneer is credited with this invention.

We temporarily have three exhibits on display at the Corbett Country Market which is open to the public seven days a week. Our main display this year is focusing on the history of our oldest country store, started in 1916 and is still serving the community. This display features the Red and White grocery chain items that were sold nationally. The store operated as a Red and White store from 1923 to 1958. To complete this display some of these rare items were purchased using levy funds. This display has been very popular with the public and has been viewed by the kindergarten, first and second grade students of Corbett Grade School. Other activities include a scholarship program for students who wish to research our local history and a display of our Bridal Veil Lumber Company history at the Bridal Veil Oregon Post Office 125 year celebration.

We are continuing to archive, restore and catalog all of our photos, paper items, paintings and artifacts. We have also purchased a power point projector and will purchase a laptop computer in the near future to use with this projector for our oral history presentations.

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Your name and role:	Dodi Davies - President		
<b>Historical Society you represent</b>			
Name of organization:	Fairview-Rockwood-Wilkes Historical Society		
Contact information for organization:	ddavies@frwhs.org		
<b>Reporting for levy funds</b>			
Total levy funds received:	\$37,500		
Date(s) levy funds were received:	\$18,500.00 – July 2011 \$18,500.00 – January 2012		
Details for how levy funds have been spent and/or budgeted for:	<b>2011/2012 Levy Fund Expenses</b>		
	Archival Supplies	\$317.95	
	Computer Equipment	\$725.99	
	Exhibit Supplies	\$157.96	
	Garden Supplies	\$24.73	
	General Supplies	\$308.32	
	Heating and Cooling	\$8,339.00	
	Website Upgrade	\$1,750.00	
	Museum Upgrades	\$569.46	
	Savings	\$25,306.59	
	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$37,500.00</b>	
	<b>2012/2013 Levy Fund Budget</b>		
	<b>INCOME:</b>		
	\$18,750	July, 2012	
	\$18,750	January, 2013	
<b>\$37,500</b>	<b>Total Income</b>		
<b>EXPENSES:</b>			
\$10,000	Savings: 18 month CD Jul-12		
\$5,000	Savings: OCF Endowment Jan-13		
\$5,250	Savings		
\$5,000	Consultant: June 1, 2012 thru May 31, 2013		

	\$2,000 Technology - Projector, Camera, Computer \$1,000 Exhibit Upgrades - HH & ZH \$1,500 Archival Supplies - HH & ZH \$2,000 Grounds - New Path, Irrigation - HH \$2,000 House Lighting 1st Floor - HH \$3,750 Grounds - Irrigation, Storage Shed w/Slab - ZH <b>\$37,500 Total Expense</b>
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<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>The Multnomah levy funds are helping our organization address long over due projects intended to protect our documents &amp; artifacts, such as the HVAC upgrade to 1874 Zimmerman House, the installation of carpet runners and new shades and the purchase of archival supplies for both museums. In addition, we plan to save half the funds in order to provide some financial stability to our organization.</p> <p>This next fiscal year we will begin working with our preservation architect, Robert Dortignac, to start planning of the re-build of the two-story bunkhouse that will provide climate controlled storage space for the protection of our collections and provide additional museum space for better public access.</p> <p>Finally, in order to establish long-term financial and organizational sustainability, we will consultant with a professional for guidance in this area.</p>
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**Anything else you want the Levy Oversight Committee to know?**

Again, the Fairview-Rockwood-Wilkes Historical Society is very grateful to the Multnomah county tax payers. This money is a windfall for our organization.

Thank you!!

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Your name and role:	Dorothy G. Douglas, President	
Historical Society you represent		
Name of organization:	Gresham Historical Society	
Contact information for organization:	Dorothy G. Douglas <a href="mailto:dgdouglas39@hotmail.com">dgdouglas39@hotmail.com</a> .	
Reporting for levy funds		
Total levy funds received:	\$37,000.	
Date(s) levy funds were received:	\$18,500.00 – 7/25/11 \$18,500.00 – 1/31/12	
Details for how levy funds have been spent and/or budgeted for:	2011/2012 Levy Fund Expenses	
	Payroll	\$6,065.00
	Computer, update ,memory	174.00
	Software from Techsoup	106.00
	Scanner	515.00
	Printer	500.00
	Camera	549.00
	Tripod	160.00
	Past Perfect 4.0 multi-user	515.00
	Web Page	1,580.00
	Landscaping	4,325.00
	Savings	22,511.00
	Total Expenses	\$37,000.00
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>The Gresham Historical Society is grateful to be a recipient of the Multnomah County Levy Fund. The money has enabled the Historical Society to: hire a part-time collections manager, to organize and catalogue our photo and artifact collections, develop a Web Page, up-grade our computers, purchase a printer and scanner for archival photo reproductions, a video camera and a tripod. The Past Perfect software program has also been up-dated to accommodate a multi-user network. The museum landscaping has been restored to its original planned landscape design.</p>	
	<p>In June of 2012 the Gresham Historical Society will be breaking ground to</p>	

construct a warehouse on Historical Society property adjacent to our museum building to store and preserve our collection. This new facility will be climate controlled and provide the storage space we need to protect and preserve our collections.

**Anything else you want the Levy Oversight Committee to know?**

The Gresham Historical Society is fortunate to be a part of the levy fund allotments. This funding has given us the opportunity to accomplish projects that would not have been possible in the past.

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Your name and role:	Sheryl Maydew, board member and bookkeeper
<b>Historical Society you represent</b>	
Name of organization:	Troutdale Historical Society
Contact information for organization:	info@troutdalehistory.org
<b>Reporting for levy funds</b>	
Total levy funds received:	\$37,500
Date(s) levy funds were received:	\$18,500 - July, 2011 \$18,500 - January, 2011
Details for how levy funds have been spent and/or budgeted for:	<p><b>2011 Levy Fund Expenditures:</b>            \$ 9,332 Building Repairs &amp; Maintenance            \$ 1,950 Archival Equipment and Supplies            \$ 800 Equipment and Supplies (computer and past perfect software)            \$ 6,418 Saved  <b>\$18,500 Total 2011</b></p> <p><b>2012 Levy Fund Budget/Expenditures:</b>            \$ 2,500 Website construction            \$ 500 Archival Supplies            \$15,500 Savings and New Collections / Exhibit Expenditures, tbd.  <b>\$18,500 Total 2012</b></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>Troutdale Historical Society has three museums: Rail Depot Museum, Harlow House Museum, and Barn Museum (exhibit hall). These funds were used to take care of much needed deferred maintenance to the museum buildings, including an exterior paint job for the Harlow House; and for equipment and supplies for artifact curation, and the photo library.</p> <p>We prioritized the spending of these funds.</p>

First priority was the much needed repairs, maintenance, equipment and supplies.  
Second priority is to fund new collections and exhibits.  
Final priority is to save as much as possible for future operating expenses. Until there is permanent funding for the museums and artifacts, their future will always be in jeopardy.

**Anything else you want the Levy Oversight Committee to know?**

In the past few years, costs for utilities and alarms have risen dramatically, and donations and fund raising revenues haven't been able to keep up. With this funding we are able to continue our mission to protect the museums and artifacts and provide educational tours to school groups, educational programs to the public and exhibit to the public local artifacts and photos. The website development project will help as we continue to reach out to educate a new generation about their local history.

The volunteers at THS are very grateful and appreciative to the Multnomah County taxpayers for this levy. With funding like this, more volunteer hours and energy can be spent on educational programs and projects. Without funding like this more hours and energy are spent fund raising.