

<p style="text-align: center;">Yellowstone Historic Preservation Board Work Plan 2012-2013</p>

Goals & Objectives:

- I. Promote the preservation of historic buildings, sites or neighborhoods.
- II. Increase community awareness on the benefits of historic preservation activities.
- III. Promote increased awareness of preservation activities and the work of the YHPB through the four governing bodies represented on the Board.
- IV. Comply with the duties and responsibilities of historic preservation organizations under the State Certified Local Government Program and the requirements of the Inter-local Agreement.

2012- 2013Projects

1. To assist with the National Register of Historic Places nomination of McKinley Elementary School.

Time Frame: 2012-2013
Who: YHPB Board and HPO/WHC, North Elevation Task Force
Status: Ongoing. This is part of the North Elevation Task Force but will be nominated individually. Subcommittee members: Kathleen, Julie and Kevin.

2. To assist North Elevation Task Force in the development of a Historic Residential District, provide technical assistance as needed.

Time Frame: Continuing until complete
Who: YHPB Board, WHC and staff, North Elevation Task Force
Status: This project is ongoing and the board will continue assisting as needed.

3. Continue as a resource to public and private organizations for the development of the “Billings Through the Decades” sign board.

Time Frame: 2012-2013
Who: YHPB, WHC, HPO
Status: This project will continue as the YHPB being a local historic resource for the completion of boards as desired by public and private organizations.

4. Prepare education trunks for area youth organizations to use on a loan basis.

Time Frame: 2012-2013
Who: Kathleen Armstrong is the lead board member, YHPB, WHC, HPO, possibly Montana SHPO
Status: This project is working toward completion. After compilation, the trunks will be housed and maintained by the WHC.

- 5. Review data prepared by MSU-B students on the inventory of historic barns, silos and other important structures in Yellowstone County. Determine if 2 to 3 properties could be eligible for the National Register and contact property owners to gage interest.**

Time Frame: 2012-2013
Who: YHPB, WHC, HPO will monitor.
Status: The board will review this project as time allows.

- 6. Investigate potential funding sources to identify and catalog historic documents located throughout Yellowstone County and develop a plan for preservation either through the scanning of historic documents or locating an appropriate location for housing permanent historic documents.**

Time Frame: 2012-2013
Who: YHPB, WHC, HPO, Yellowstone Genealogy Forum, possibly Montana SHPO
Status: This project is in preliminary review.

Annual Board Activities

- 1. Continue the review of building permits submitted for properties located within the designated historic district.**

Time Frame: Ongoing
Who: Committee and HPO

- 2. To provide up to date information to the general public, continually update the web site on activities and programs.**

Time Frame: Ongoing
Who: WHC

- 3. Promote additional nominations to the National Register. Assure resources are available for property owners, such as literature and technical assistance. Look at possible nomination of school sites in conjunction with local school districts.**

Time Frame: Ongoing
Who: YHPB Board/HPO/WHC

- 4. Expand YHPB meetings to alternate locations. To take advantage of some of our many historic venues, the board wishes to expand meetings to alternate locations. This is an event that will take place quarterly.**

Time Frame: Ongoing
Who: HPO/WHC

- 5. Due to a loss of potential historic buildings within the City of Billings, an effort is being made to notify WHC and a member of the board about upcoming demolitions. The Building Department notifies HPO on the release of demolition permits, HPO notifies members of the demolition and a determination is made to either document/photograph building.**

Time Frame: Ongoing
Who: HPO/WHC/Board

- 6. To provide additional funds to the YHPB for projects, continue exploration of grant opportunities.**

Time Frame: Ongoing
Who: HPO/WHC

- 7. To keep the YHPB abreast of Historic Preservation Activities, consultants and the HPO will attend meetings as needed.**

Time Frame: Ongoing
Who: WHC/HPO

- 8. To provide a forum for Historic Preservationist to share their successes and discuss projects and to present historic preservation awards, continue to host the Historic Preservation Roundtable yearly.**

Time Frame: Yearly
Who: WHC/HPO/Board
Status: Preservation Month - May

- 9. To continually update the local governing bodies of the activities undertaken by the YHPB, annual PowerPoint Presentations will be made to the City of Billings, the City of Laurel and Yellowstone County.**

Time Frame: Yearly
Who: Chair/WHC/HPO
Status: The scheduling of these meetings will take place yearly during spring.

10. Celebrate National Historic Preservation Month. Board will decide on a program, speakers and other events to commemorate this event.

Time Frame: Yearly
Who: Committee/WHC
Status: This event will occur yearly during May.

11. Continue the review of Community Development Block Grant rehabilitation projects as needed.

Time Frame: Ongoing
Who: YHPB/WHC

12. Continue to review and update the information relating to the Downtown Billings Electronic Walking. Discuss with the City of Laurel to include their new downtown historic district to the application.

Time Frame: Yearly
Who: Committee/WHC