



**Testimony to
Joint Committee on State Building Construction
October 5, 2016**

Thank you for the opportunity to appear before you today to discuss the capital improvement budget of the Kansas Historical Society.

We have provided you with a copy of our five-year plan for capital improvements as submitted in July 2016. Statewide the agency has more than 50 buildings and structures to maintain, many of them historic. In the past years state funds have been used to leverage non-state funds to complete major rehabilitation projects at the historic sites. Each year the agency receives \$250,000 (SGF) in emergency repair monies to address cyclical maintenance issues and emergency repairs needed due to age, accidents, or weather-related causes. Other projects are funded on a case-by-case basis.

Below is an update on the FY 2017, FY 2018, and FY 2019 capital improvement projects.

FY 2017 Capital Improvements

Project	Funding Source	Amount	Notes	Update (October 2016)
Emergency repairs (statewide)	SGF	\$ 250,000	This annual allocation covers routine cyclical maintenance and emergency repairs for the agency's 58 structures located throughout the state.	
Hollenberg Station (Hanover)	Transportation Enhancement project and private gifts	\$ 72,000	This project will restore the exterior siding of the station and make small repairs to the interior spaces.	Project has started and is scheduled to be completed November 15, 2016.

Last Chance Store (Council Grove)	Federal grant	\$ 92,000	This project has focused on masonry and wood repairs, including the wood trim around the windows and doors.	This project has been completed. Due to preliminary investigation of the property, the scope and cost of the project had increased.
Red Rocks (Emporia)	Federal grant	\$ 74,000	This project will focus on replacement of the slate roof on William Allen White's house.	This project has started and will be completed October 31, 2016.

FY 2018 Capital Improvements

Project	Funding Source	Amount	Notes	Update (Oct. 2016)
Emergency repairs (statewide)	SGF	\$ 250,000	This annual allocation covers routine cyclical maintenance and emergency repairs for the agency's 58 buildings and structures located throughout the state.	
Fort Hays (Hays)	SGF	\$ 75,000	This project will focus on repairs to the stone blockhouse building.	A budget enhancement has been requested within our current budget submission for project funds.
Cottonwood Ranch (Studley)	Private gifts	\$ 18,000	This project will focus on replacing the wood shingle roof on the bunk house.	

FY 2019 Capital Improvements				
Project	Funding Source	Amount	Notes	Update (Oct. 2016)
Emergency repairs (statewide)	SGF	\$ 250,000	This annual allocation covers routine cyclical maintenance and emergency repairs for the agency's 58 buildings and structures located throughout the state.	
Kaw Mission (Council Grove)	SGF Private gifts	\$ 67,000 \$ 33,000	This project will focus on repairs to masonry walls, wood windows, interior plaster, wood floors, wood trim, and updating the electrical system.	A budget enhancement has been requested within our current budget submission for project funds.
Red Rocks (Emporia)	Federal	\$ 30,000	This project will focus on repair and replacement of brick veneer on William Allen White's mother's house.	

We greatly appreciate the support of the Joint Committee on State Building Construction. Please feel free to contact either Jennie or myself if at any time you have questions.

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