

Depot Report for January 2025

Grants

Work continues on a USDA Rural Development Grant and a Northern Pacific Railway Historical Association Grant. They are both in support of the restoration of the two train cars.

Endowment

Jon sent a \$10,000 check to Innovia Foundation which completes the formation of a Pullman Depot Heritage Center Fund. Information needs to be prepared to announce this new endowment to donors and the public.

Fundraising

Fundraising totals for 2024 have been calculated - \$238,790 was given to the building fund and \$66,753 toward rolling stock restoration. There were 138 donors in 2024; 41 donors have given five or more years since the inception in 2018. An additional \$1000 was received from a grant from the Amherst Rail Society.

Programs

The annual Holiday Bazaar was a success, raising a total of \$544.00 from donated crafts made by nine volunteers.

Palouse

The museum is closed during January, utility bills seem ridiculous this year. Don, Alex and I will likely be there working anyway, but with our coats on!
Will let you know fundraising projects when finalized.

Directors Report

- Cancelled security/fire system at the Perkins House. This saves over \$80 a month. Mark helped me take down the old sensors and disconnect the alarms. I mailed the old sensors back to the company.
- Put up new wifi fire alarms and connected them to my phone.
- Assisted with Perkins house holiday event and ticket sales.
- Made Perkins house deposits from donations box every week.
- Year end deposits and reports.
- Jon and I have been trying to register for a Sam's ID number that is needed for a grant application, but have had no luck. We have tried every document that we have. I have contacted the site to try to get ideas on what we need to do. They keep sending me information that we have already sent in and been denied.