

CELEBRATING

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

in WASHINGTON STATE

1966-2016

50

TIMELINE OF PROGRAMS

13,229 currently listed sites, buildings, structures and objects

\$1.08B private investment in historic tax credit projects since 1977



34 certified Main Street Communities

53 current Certified Local Governments

\$1.03 Billion private investment in special valuation projects since 2000

295 award recipients for outstanding achievements in cultural resources

781,856 surveyed properties and documents available in online database

11,180 people served by DAHP led trainings from 2007-2015

\$28.4M local investment leveraged by state courthouse grants

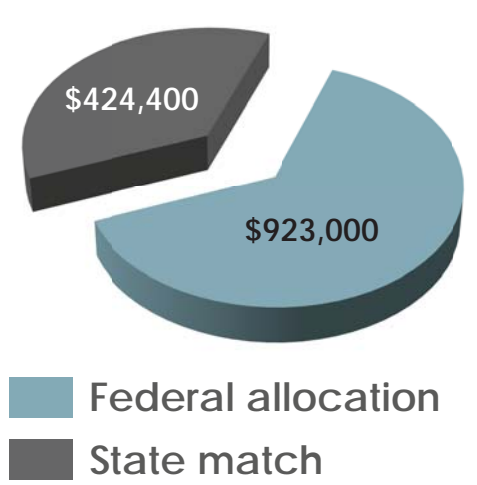
1,293 net jobs created in 2015 by Main Street businesses

\$6,078* public investment per job created

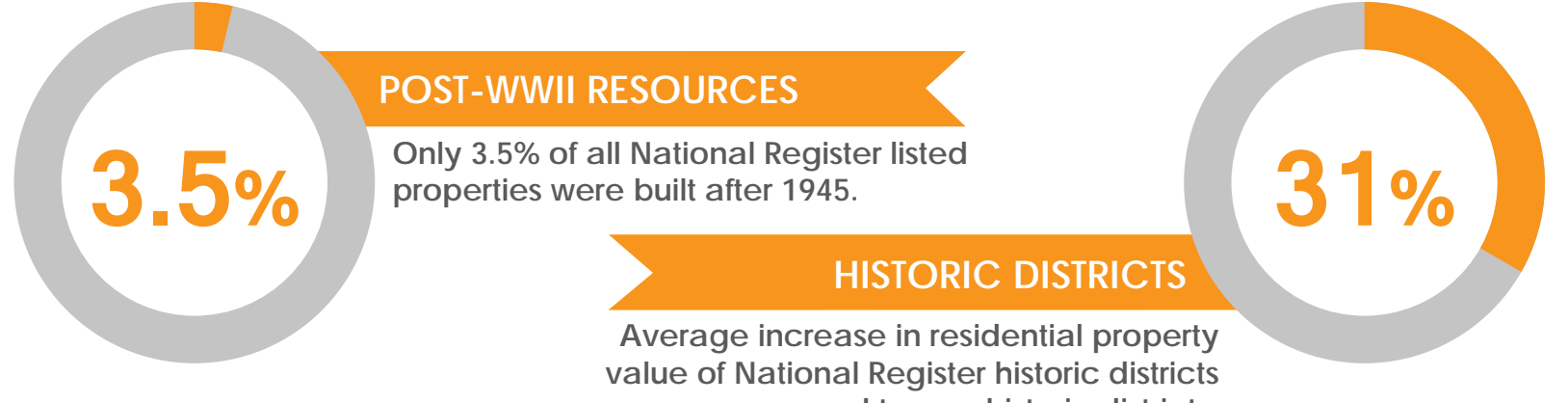
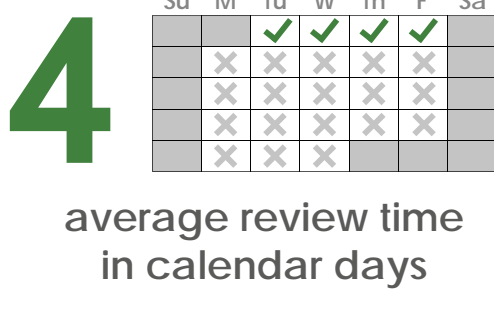
2007 HERITAGE BARN PROGRAM

DAHP BUDGET & PERFORMANCE

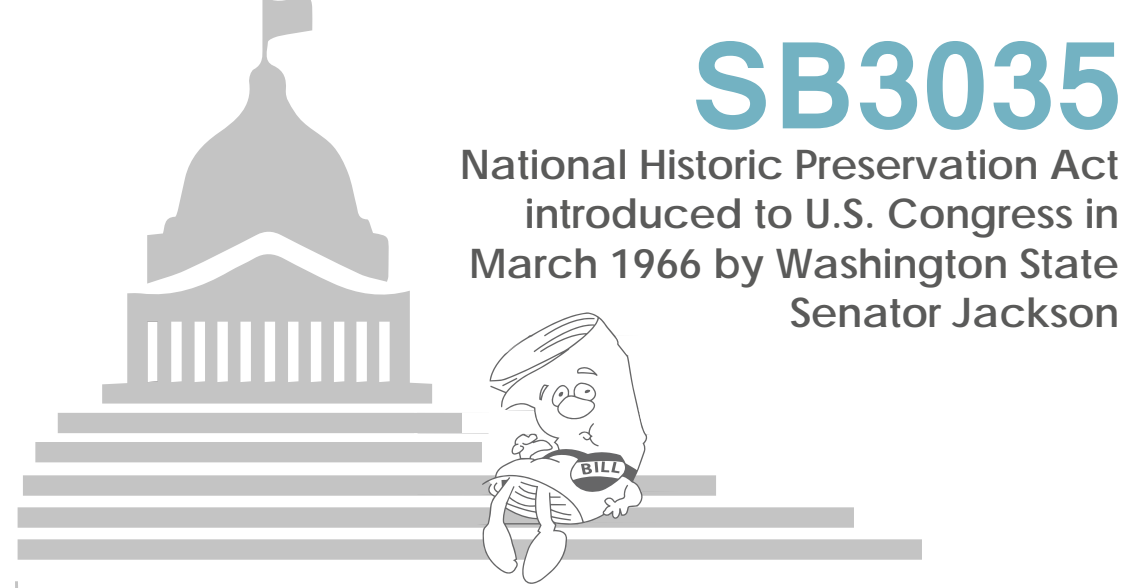
DAHP Annual Budget from Historic Preservation Fund



9,856 average numbers of reviews per year (2011-2015)



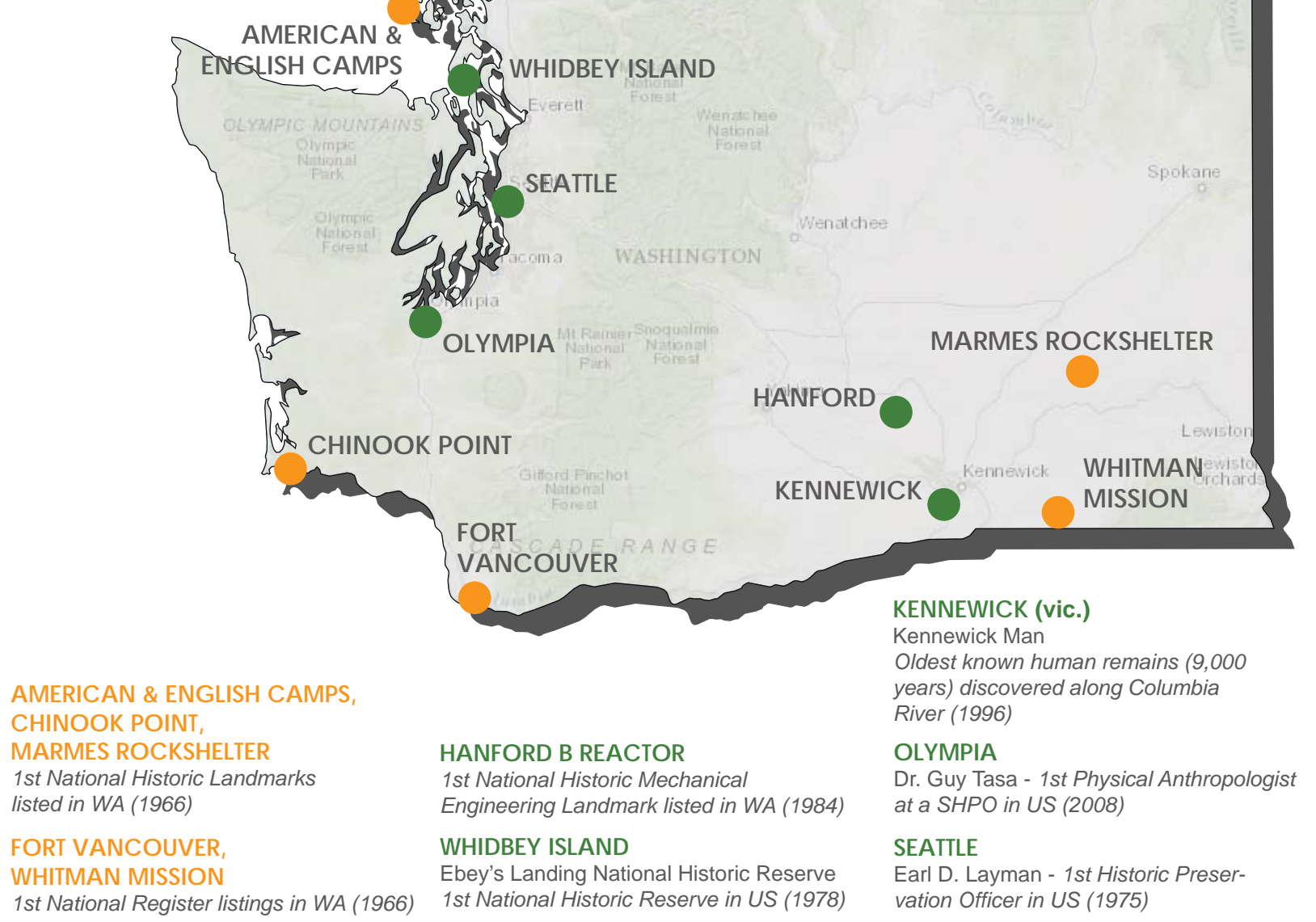
HENRY "SCOOP" JACKSON



SB3035

National Historic Preservation Act introduced to U.S. Congress in March 1966 by Washington State Senator Jackson

FIRST IN WASHINGTON STATE



2016 marks the 50th anniversary of the signing of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) by President Lyndon B. Johnson into United States law. This pivotal event culminated years of strategizing, deliberation and lobbying before Congress by a broad coalition of dedicated citizens who lobbied city councils, wrote letters, or stood before the wrecking ball determined to slow or stop the mounting loss of the nation's heritage during the nation's post World War II economic expansion. Passage of the National Historic Preservation Act, together with other environmental protection laws, marked a new era of environmental awareness including the importance of preserving surviving buildings and sites from the past. The NHPA established the framework for the nation's modern historic preservation program and set historic preservation as sound public policy lasting public benefits. The act and its provisions established the federal government as the leader in the protection of historic properties by serving as a model for all of us to be good stewards of our nation's heritage.

a major element of the legislation. Previously, federal preservation programs focused only properties of national significance. In this model, properties such as Independence Hall, Mt. Vernon, battlefields, and others received federal recognition. However, through their interactions with stakeholders back home in Washington, Jackson and Magnuson became convinced that properties of local significance have an equal, if not greater, value to the vast number of Americans and their communities. The inclusion and recognition of local heritage sites in the National Register was a major change in how the nation has come to value and interpret the places that embody everyday life of the vast majority of U.S. citizens. The recognition of local significance empowered all Americans, not just the federal government, to recognize places important to their own communities. The impact has been the honoring of neighborhood schools, parks, historic homes and thousands of other locally important places.

Washington State played a pivotal role in passage of the National Historic Preservation Act. It was Washington Senator Henry "Scoop" Jackson who introduced the legislation as Senate Bill 3035 in March, 1966. Jackson, together with Senator Warren "Maggie" Magnuson, used their considerable influence and political skills to move the bill to final passage by Congress on October 11, 1966 and signature by the President on October 15th.

Throughout 2016, you are invited to join with all Americans to celebrate 50 years of progress in preserving our heritage since passage of the National Historic Preservation Act. Take a moment to read the information in the graphic above that gives a snapshot of what has been achieved by all of us working together to recognize and preserve the buildings, structures, sites, districts, objects, and landscapes that tell the full story of the American experience. Finally, we invite you to join with fellow citizens in continuing our efforts to protect this heritage for future generations.

For more information go to www.dahp.wa.gov and www.preservation50.org
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