

Oklahoma Historical Society

Collect. Preserve. Share.



The OHS at a Glance

- Founded in 1893 by the Oklahoma Territorial Press Association
- Annual operating budget of \$19 million
- Own 23 museums and historic houses throughout the state
- 123 fulltime staff and 60 temporary staff
- Only state museum affiliated with both the Smithsonian Institution and the National Archives
- 1 million images digitized from the 10 million in the OHS photo archive collection
- Over 100,000 artifacts in its collection
- Shepherded the nominations of 1,382 properties to the National Register of Historic Places



Oklahoma History Center, Oklahoma City



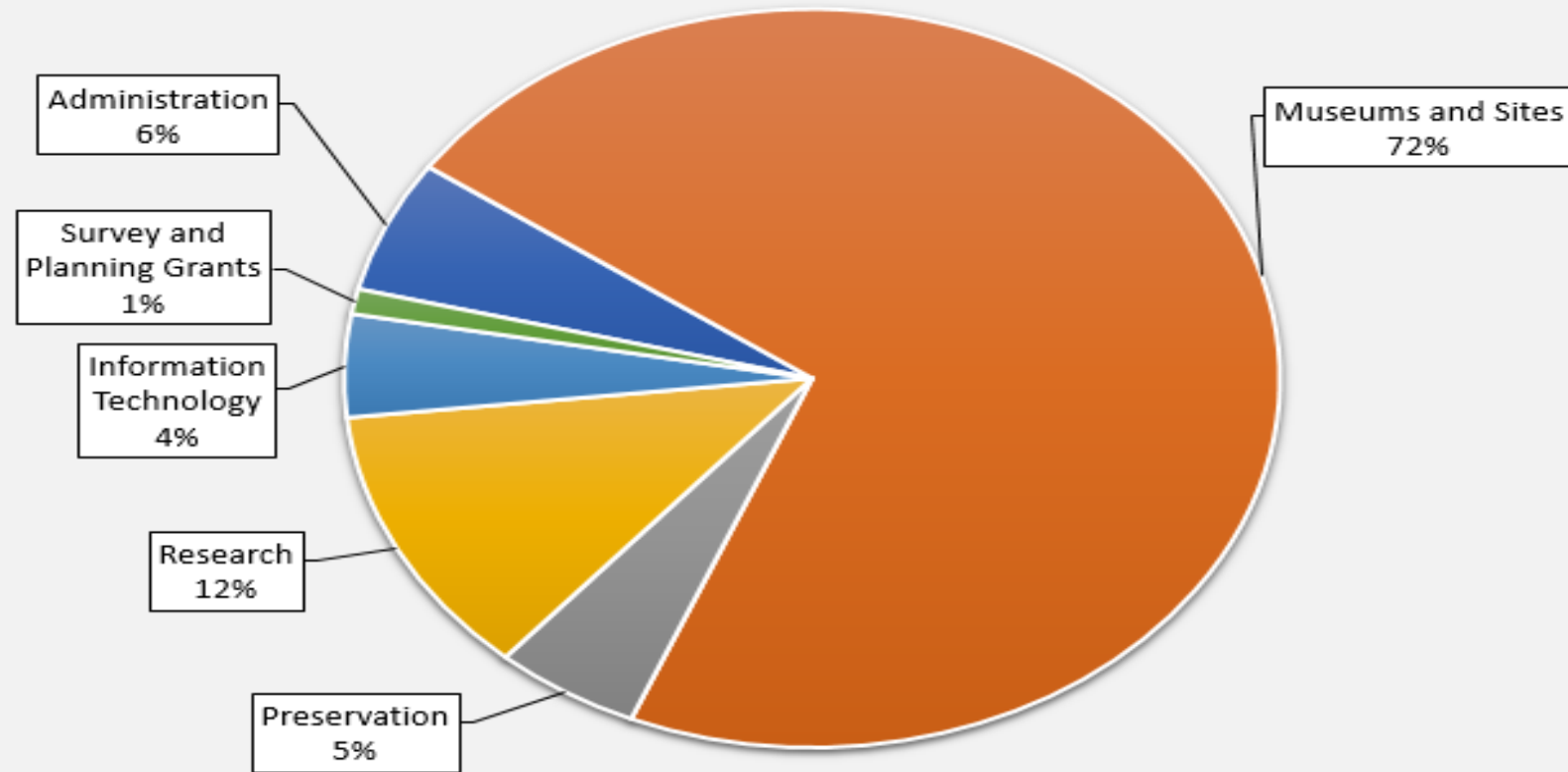
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Manuscript Archive, Oklahoma History Center, Oklahoma City



FY 2021 Budget by Program



Program	FY 2021 Budget
Administration	\$1,054,056
Museums and Sites	\$12,976,461
Preservation	\$916,092
Research	\$2,161,554
Information Technology	\$814,030
Survey and Planning Grants	\$197,931



Agency Accomplishments – 2020

- A new museum exhibit, “Launch to Landing: Oklahomans and Space,” opened on November 17 at the Oklahoma History Center after two years of planning, raising more than \$1 million
- More than \$400,000 was distributed as grants to 43 local historical organizations across the state. Grants were for strategic plans, care of collections, exhibits, and programs.
- Through partnership with the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre Centennial Commission and Oklahoma Eagle Newspaper in Tulsa, the OHS digitized and will make available 85,000 pages of the newspaper via the Gateway.
- Construction began on the Oklahoma Museum of Popular Culture (OKPOP) with a new non-profit support group assuming leadership in the effort to raise \$10 million in the private sector to complete exhibits, acquire collections, and launch an aggressive retail operation to generate operational funds.
- By the end of 2020, 3.1 million pages of Oklahoma newspapers were online, word-searchable, and free to the public.



OHS Museums and Sites - Deferred Maintenance 2021

Locations	Sum of Cost
Cabin Creek Battlefield	\$ 165,000.00
Cherokee Strip Museum	\$ 294,000.00
Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center	\$ 402,000.00
Chisholm Trail Museum	\$ 1,723,000.00
Fort Gibson Historic Site	\$ 1,873,000.00
Fort Supply Historic Site	\$ 200,000.00
Fort Towson Historic Site	\$ 347,000.00
Fred Drummond Home	\$ 1,141,100.00
Healdton Oil Museum	\$ 389,000.00
Honey Springs Battlefield	\$ 670,000.00
Hunters Home Site	\$ 471,000.00
Museum Of the Western Prairie	\$ 747,000.00
Oklahoma History Center	\$ 250,000.00
Oklahoma Territorial Museum	\$ 1,638,000.00
Overholser Mansion	\$ 1,725,000.00
Pawnee Bill Ranch	\$ 4,205,200.00
Pioneer Woman Museum	\$ 435,500.00
Route 66 Museum	\$ 323,000.00
Sod House	\$ 684,000.00
Spiro Mounds Site	\$ 785,000.00
White Hair Museum	\$ 44,600.00
Will Rogers Memorial	\$ 2,905,800.00
Grand Total	\$ 21,418,200.00



Hunter's Home, Park Hill



Will Rogers Memorial Museum, Claremore



Oklahoma Territorial Museum, Guthrie



Current OHS Projects

- Oklahoma Museum of Popular Culture (OKPOP)
- Creation of the Dr. Bob Blackburn Collections Endowment
- Digitization project with Newspapers.com
- The Chisholm: Museum of Oklahoma Innovation
- Oklahoma Heritage Preservation Grant Program



The Chisholm Trail Museum, Kingfisher, OK



Proposed renovation of The Chisholm Trail Museum, Kingfisher, OK



Fy22 Requests

- \$1.1 million for lost earned revenue from events, admissions, and sales due to COVID-19
- 451,000 OMES IT Costs



Chesapeake Event Center, Oklahoma History Center, Oklahoma City



Oklahoma Route 66 Museum, Clinton



Questions?

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