

# Heritage Vitality Task Force County Survey Results

The inconsistency, incompleteness and duplication of responses makes it difficult to draw strong conclusions from these results. However, from the information some inferences can be drawn that the responding counties generally do not own nor operate museums, although many support them directly and indirectly. .

## Question No. 1

Name of County	Response Count
Answer Options	19
<i>answered question</i>	19
<i>skipped question</i>	4

Number	Response Date	Response Text	Categories
1	Sep 4, 2012 8:04 PM	Washington County	
2	Aug 28, 2012 11:39 PM	Clackamas	
3	Aug 24, 2012 9:02 PM	Wasco	
4	Aug 24, 2012 7:07 PM	Hood River	
5	Aug 24, 2012 4:22 PM	Harney Yamhill	
6	Aug 24, 2012 1:16 AM	County	
7	Aug 23, 2012 8:02 PM	Klamath Benton	
8	Aug 23, 2012 5:58 PM	County Yamhill	
9	Aug 23, 2012 4:08 PM	County	
10	Aug 23, 2012 3:37 PM	Clackamas	
11	Aug 23, 2012 3:27 PM	Sherman County	
12	Aug 23, 2012 3:06 PM	Gilliam	
13	Aug 22, 2012 9:21 PM	Tillamook	
14	Aug 22, 2012 8:36 PM	Jefferson County	
15	Aug 22, 2012 8:21 PM	Marion	
16	Aug 22, 2012 8:14 PM	Union County	
17	Aug 22, 2012 8:14 PM	Tillamook	
18	Aug 22, 2012 8:09 PM	Lane	
19	Aug 22, 2012 7:31 PM	Polk County	

## Question No. 2

Name of Respondent and Respondent's Position:	Response Count
Answer Options	

19

<i>answered question</i>	19
<i>skipped question</i>	4

Number	Response Date	Response Text	Categories
1	Sep 4, 2012 8:04 PM	Sia Lindstrom, deputy county administrator	
2	Aug 28, 2012 11:39 PM	Jae Heidenreich - Tourism Development Lead	
3	Aug 24, 2012 9:02 PM	Tyler Stone Administrative Officer	
4	Aug 24, 2012 7:07 PM	David Meriwether	
5	Aug 24, 2012 4:22 PM	Sharon Johnson, County Court Assistant	
6	Aug 24, 2012 1:16 AM	Kathy George, County Commissioner	
7	Aug 23, 2012 8:02 PM	Dennis Linthicum	
8	Aug 23, 2012 5:58 PM	Linda Modrell, County Commissioner	
9	Aug 23, 2012 4:08 PM	Barbara Stanley, Commissioners' Office	
10	Aug 23, 2012 3:37 PM	Jae Heidenreich - Development Lead	
11	Aug 23, 2012 3:27 PM	Sherry Kaseberg, Representing the Sherman County Court	
12	Aug 23, 2012 3:06 PM	Pat Shaw, County Judge	
13	Aug 22, 2012 9:21 PM	Gary Albright, Executive Director, Pioneer Museum	
14	Aug 22, 2012 8:36 PM	Jeff Rasmussen, County Administrative Officer	
15	Aug 22, 2012 8:21 PM	John Lattimer, Chief Administrative Officer	
16	Aug 22, 2012 8:14 PM	Shelley Burgess, Administrative Officer	
17	Aug 22, 2012 8:14 PM	Mark Labhart, County commissioner	
18	Aug 22, 2012 8:09 PM	Liane Richardson, County Administrator	
19	Aug 22, 2012 7:31 PM	Greg Hansen	

**Question No. 3**

Respondent's E-mail:	
Answer Options	Response Count
	19
<i>answered question</i>	19
<i>skipped question</i>	4

Number	Response Date	Response Text	Categories
1	Sep 4, 2012 8:04 PM	sia_lindstrom@co.washington.or.us	
2	Aug 28, 2012 11:39 PM	jh@mthoodterritory.com	
3	Aug 24, 2012 9:02 PM	tylers@co.wasco.or.us	
4	Aug 24, 2012 7:07 PM	david.meriwether@co.hood-river.or.us	
5	Aug 24, 2012 4:22 PM	countycourt@co.harney.or.us	
6	Aug 24, 2012 1:16 AM	georgek@co.yamhill.or.us	
7	Aug 23, 2012 8:02 PM	DLinthicum@KlamathCounty.org	
8	Aug 23, 2012 5:58 PM	linda.l.modrell@co.benton.or.us	
9	Aug 23, 2012 4:08 PM	stanleyb@co.yamhill.or.us	
10	Aug 23, 2012 3:37 PM	jh@mthoodterritory.com	
11	Aug 23, 2012 3:27 PM	sherryk@gorge.net	

12	Aug 23, 2012 3:06 PM	pat.shaw@co.gilliam.or.us
13	Aug 22, 2012 9:21 PM	director@tcpm.org
14	Aug 22, 2012 8:36 PM	jeff.rasmussen@co.jefferson.or.us
15	Aug 22, 2012 8:21 PM	jlattimer@co.marion.or.us
16	Aug 22, 2012 8:14 PM	sburgess@union-county.org
17	Aug 22, 2012 8:14 PM	mlabhart@co.tillamook.or.us
18	Aug 22, 2012 8:09 PM	liane.richardson@co.lane.or.us
19	Aug 22, 2012 7:31 PM	hansen.greg@co.polk.or.us

### Question No. 4

Does the County own a museum?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	26.1%	6
No	73.9%	17
<i>answered question</i>		23
<i>skipped question</i>		0

### Question No. 5

Does the County operate a museum?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	17.4%	4
No	82.6%	19
<i>answered question</i>		23
<i>skipped question</i>		0

### Question No. 6

What is the name of the museum?	
Answer Options	Response Count
	11
<i>answered question</i>	11
<i>skipped question</i>	12

Number	Response Date	Response Text	Categories
1	Sep 4, 2012 8:13 PM	Washington County Museum	
2	Aug 28, 2012 11:40 PM	n/a	

3	Aug 24, 2012 7:08 PM	The History Museum
4	Aug 24, 2012 4:35 PM	Harney County Historical Museum
5	Aug 23, 2012 8:03 PM	Klamath County Museum
6	Aug 23, 2012 6:01 PM	Benton County Historical Museum
7	Aug 23, 2012 4:25 PM	Yamhill County Historical Museum
8	Aug 23, 2012 3:38 PM	N/A
9	Aug 23, 2012 3:27 PM	Sherman County Historical Museum
10	Aug 22, 2012 9:22 PM	Tillamook County Pioneer Museum
11	Aug 22, 2012 8:15 PM	Tillamook County Pioneer Museum

### Question No. 7

If the County owns or operates a museum, what type of museum is it?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Art	0.0%	0
Children's	0.0%	0
General	0.0%	0
Historic home / historic site	25.0%	2
History museum / historical society	75.0%	6
Natural history	0.0%	0
Science/technology	0.0%	0
Other (please specify)		4
<i>answered question</i>		<b>8</b>
<i>skipped question</i>		<b>15</b>

Number	Response Date	Other (please specify)	Categories
1	Aug 28, 2012 11:40 PM	n/a	
2	Aug 24, 2012 4:35 PM	N/A	
3	Aug 23, 2012 6:01 PM	It is historical and home to OSU's Horner Museum collection which is quite eclectic.	
4	Aug 22, 2012 11:45 PM	museum	
		Farm Equipment from the Past	

### Question No. 8

Our County museum is:

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
a public-private partnership	42.9%	6
publicly funded	14.3%	2
privately funded	42.9%	6
<i>answered question</i>		<b>14</b>

skipped question

9

### Question No. 9

If the museum is a partnership, does the County have a formal agreement with its partners:

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	20.0%	2
No	80.0%	8
<i>answered question</i>		10
<i>skipped question</i>		13

### Question No. 10

Has the County created a County Historical Fund, as permitted by ORS chapter 358?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	4.5%	1
No	95.5%	21
<i>answered question</i>		22
<i>skipped question</i>		1

### Question No. 11

If the County has acquired a site or structure for a museum, has the County issued bonds to buy it?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	0.0%	0
No	100.0%	15
<i>answered question</i>		15
<i>skipped question</i>		8

### Question No. 12

How many hours was the museum open during the past year?

Answer Options	Response Count
	9
<i>answered question</i>	9
<i>skipped question</i>	14

Number	Response Date	Response Text	Categories
1	Sep 4, 2012 8:33 PM	10am-4pm Mon-Sat, closed holidays	
2	Aug 28, 2012 11:46 PM	n/a	

3	Aug 24, 2012 9:10 PM	8 months.
4	Aug 24, 2012 7:16 PM	+/- 400. Atypically low due to renovation project
5	Aug 24, 2012 4:37 PM	600
6	Aug 23, 2012 8:17 PM	about 2000
7	Aug 23, 2012 3:42 PM	?
8	Aug 23, 2012 3:31 PM	1400
9	Aug 22, 2012 9:24 PM	1872

### Question No. 13

The museum		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Provides tours of the museum building for students.	88.9%	8
Makes presentations to students in their classrooms about county history.	66.7%	6
Stages events designed to bring tourists from at least 50 miles away	77.8%	7
Provides events to educate the public about the county's history and heritage.	77.8%	7
Promotes preservation of the county's historic buildings and objects.	77.8%	7
Cares for the county's historic objects.	77.8%	7
Obtains grants from county or out-of-county organizations.	66.7%	6
Employs or contracts with a grant writer.	33.3%	3
Other services (please specify)		3
<i>answered question</i>		
<i>skipped question</i>		

Number	Response Date	Other services (please specify)	Categories
1	Aug 28, 2012 11:46 PM	n/a	
2	Aug 24, 2012 4:37 PM	unknown	
3	Aug 23, 2012 6:15 PM	The museum has a staff and a historical building in Philomath plus a building to house the collection. They are in process of raising money to build an additional building to be located in Corvallis. The county has a Historic Resources advisory committee that works with the Museum	

### Question No. 14

What is the amount of funds in the County's current fiscal year budget for the museum?

Answer Options	Response Count
	18
<i>answered question</i>	18
<i>skipped question</i>	5

Number	Response Date	Response Text	Categories
1	Sep 4, 2012 8:33 PM	118606	
2	Aug 28, 2012 11:46 PM	n/a	
3	Aug 27, 2012 2:43 PM	0	
4	Aug 24, 2012 9:10 PM	59709	
5	Aug 24, 2012 7:16 PM	77245	
6	Aug 24, 2012 4:37 PM	4000	
7	Aug 24, 2012 1:19 AM	0	
8	Aug 23, 2012 8:17 PM	about 700k	
9	Aug 23, 2012 6:15 PM	~\$235,000	
10	Aug 23, 2012 3:42 PM	43000	
11	Aug 23, 2012 3:31 PM	\$1,000 marketing stipend; \$50,000 operations	
12	Aug 22, 2012 9:24 PM	125000	
13	Aug 22, 2012 8:37 PM	0	
14	Aug 22, 2012 8:23 PM	0	
15	Aug 22, 2012 8:15 PM	0	
16	Aug 22, 2012 8:11 PM	NA	
17	Aug 22, 2012 7:37 PM	N/A	
18	Aug 22, 2012 7:37 PM	0	

### Question No. 15

What is the amount of funds spent by the County in the last fiscal year for the museum?

Answer Options	Response Count
	18
<i>answered question</i>	18
<i>skipped question</i>	5

Number	Response Date	Response Text	Categories
1	Sep 4, 2012 8:33 PM	115040	
2	Aug 28, 2012 11:46 PM	n/a	
3	Aug 27, 2012 2:43 PM	0	
4	Aug 24, 2012 9:10 PM	40502	
5	Aug 24, 2012 7:16 PM	74851	
6	Aug 24, 2012 4:37 PM	\$4000.00 occasionally more for capital impr. projects	

7	Aug 24, 2012 1:19 AM	0
8	Aug 23, 2012 8:17 PM	about 650k
9	Aug 23, 2012 6:15 PM	~\$235,000
10	Aug 23, 2012 3:42 PM	0
11	Aug 23, 2012 3:31 PM	1000
12	Aug 22, 2012 9:24 PM	125000
13	Aug 22, 2012 8:37 PM	0
14	Aug 22, 2012 8:23 PM	0
15	Aug 22, 2012 8:15 PM	0
16	Aug 22, 2012 8:11 PM	NA
17	Aug 22, 2012 7:37 PM	N/A
18	Aug 22, 2012 7:37 PM	0

### Question No. 16

Does the County provide indirect support for the museum, such as maintenance or mowing of the grounds by the public works department?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	57.1%	8
No	42.9%	6
<i>answered question</i>		14
<i>skipped question</i>		9

### Question No. 17

What other information would you like to tell the Task Force?

Answer Options	Response Count
	10
<i>answered question</i>	10
<i>skipped question</i>	13

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Sep 4, 2012 8:33 PM	Washington County Museum is an independent nonprofit. Its land and main building, located at PCC-Rock Creek campus, are provided cooperatively by PCC and Washington County under a long-term \$1 lease agreement. This continues to be a challenging time to attempt any sort of special district taxation structure that could fund county museums. Tourism's present tack is to incorporate Arts, Culture and Heritage with other local assets such as recreation and AgriTourism, rather than taking a more segmented approach.
2	Aug 28, 2012 11:46 PM	
3	Aug 24, 2012 9:10 PM	Without private donors and volunteer labor all of our museums would be closed.
4	Aug 24, 2012 7:16	Currently undergoing \$350,000 renovation project via grants & private fundraising efforts

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 Aug 24,  
 2012 1:19 AM Yamhill County has several museums that are owned and operated by private organizations. The county government does not own or operate a museum. this museum had a perpetual (not renewable levy) of 6.5 cents/000 which was passed by the electorate. Measure 50 rolled this into the county's tax base. This is a huge problem; the museum has no legal claim on these funds. As a result what they should be getting (if M50 had not usurped this) has been eroding over time and is in danger being totally subsumed by the county.
- Aug 23,  
 2012 6:15 PM #10 While the County does provide funding for the museum, I don't know how it shows up as a line item per the state historical fund.
- Aug 23,  
 2012 3:31 PM We have no museum and do not intend to build, buy or support one.
- Aug 22,  
 2012 8:23 PM The County used to have a Museum. Many years ago it became a non-profit that rents a facility from the County for \$1/year. We provide all significant capital improvements to the facility.
- Aug 22,  
 2012 8:11 PM There is a Polk County Museum operated by the Historical Society that is located on land owned by the County. We do not provide funding to the museum, however our community service workers do some maintenance work on their site.
- Aug 22,  
 2012 7:37 PM