In 2015, legislation established a permanent fund for the grant and provided an initial $2.5 million of funding as part of a larger lottery bond package. Grant funds are allocated to participating Oregon Main Street Network organizations on behalf of business or property owners to acquire, rehabilitate, or construct buildings that spur economic development. In the 2017 legislative session, an additional $5 million was approved and will be funded through the sale of the 2019 lottery bond package.
Burns

The Central Hotel in operation!

After decades of vacancy, the hotel is alive again with commercial space, boutique lodging, a tap room, and event rental facilities.

Reedsport

A 2nd floor put to use with five new apartments!

Housing activates the building and downtown, while addressing a critical shortage.

“Not only do we now have a stock of quality apartments in our Downtown, but there has also been a cycle of spending carried out by private owners. Vacant store fronts have been filled, facades have been redone, and new businesses have been started since we received this grant.”

- Reedsport Main Street Program

Newberg

A fresh facade for bookstore & coffeeshop!

Owners have hoped to bring back Chapter’s historic character for years, it happened with this grant.

For information on 2017 grant awards and the 2019 application information visit OregonHeritage.org or contact Kuri Gill, Kuri.Gill@oregon.gov or 503-986-0685. Full stories on completed projects can be found at the Oregon Heritage Exchange blog.