

WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BUDGET REQUEST TO THE LEGISLATURE FOR THE 1965 - 1967 BIENNIUM

The Society assists in the organization and development of local historical societies in 34 Washington communities. The Library of the Society is used by researchers from every state and many foreign countries. Much of the original source material in Society collections is being published and widely distributed. The Society has received national recognition on six occasions from the American Association for State and Local History. The Society was charged with statewide commemoration of the Civil War Centennial, Boundary Survey Centennial, Lincoln Centennial and many more. Attendance has increased steadily each year, both school groups and general visitors.

Increased demands are being made upon the Society. Visiting school groups, researchers, teachers and tourist visitors have increased; for example, we expect to have 1,630 school and community groups in 1965. General attendance is expected to reach 96,000 visitors, in addition, in the same period.

B I E N N I U M

| <u>I t e m</u>                           | <u>1963 - 1965</u> | <u>1965 - 1967</u>   |
|--|--------------------|--|
| Salaries and Wages                       | - \$86,420.00      | \$121,163.00 - Asst. Director \$15,500.00;<br>Normal Salary Increases \$12,291;<br>Additional Time Exhibit<br>Planner \$6,952. |
| Contract Personal Services               | - 3,450.00         | 3,600.00 - Normal Increases  |
| Other Contract Services<br>(Maintenance) | - 15,199.00        | 17,575.00 - Normal Increases   |
| Travel                                   | - 6,319.00         | 7,000.00 - Visiting and Helping 9 new<br>Local Historical Societies.   |
| Supplies and Materials                   | - 14,445.00        | 13,700.00 -  |
| Equipment                                | - 1,671.00         | 6,178.00 - Additional Library, Shop and<br>Office Equipment.   |
| Retirement and Benefits                  | - 6,363.00         | 10,950.00 - As per State Requirements.   |
|  | \$133,867.00       | \$180,166.00   |
| From General Fund                        | \$121,404.00       | \$166,566.00   |
| Local Fund                               | <u>12,463.00</u>   | <u>13,600.00</u>   |
|  | \$133,867.00       | \$180,000.00   |
|  |                    | \$339,000.00 * Matching Funds for New Building.  |
|  |                    | <u>\$519,166.00</u>  |

(\*) Request for new wing to present building is first request for capital improvement in 40 years. Society to raise half of cost \$678,000.00 for new wing.