

Santa Barbara Courthouse Legacy Foundation Five-Year Conservation & Restoration Plan 2018 - 2022

The Courthouse Legacy Foundation (CLF) was incorporated as a 501(c)3 organization in 2004, with the purpose of providing "preservation, conservation and education of the historic Santa Barbara County Courthouse." A 2006 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the County of Santa Barbara and the CLF required, among other things, that the CLF present the Board of Supervisors with a five-year plan for proposed conservation projects.

The 2013-2017 five-year plan outlined a number of important projects. The major project was the restoration of the murals and ceiling in the Mural Room, and the installation of museum-quality lighting in that room. The \$575,000 project was completed as planned in 2015.

In 2017 the CLF employed conservation specialists to determine the cause of the "white bloom" on the surface of the Great Arch sandstone, and to outline the best strategy to remove the coating, repair the damage and prevent further deterioration of the sandstone and mortar joints of the Great Arch. The cost of the study was approximately \$53,000. The study was completed as planned in 2017.

In addition, the CLF was also involved in other projects not included in the 2013-2017 5-year plan; the restoration of the ceiling in the Great Arch passageway, the restoration of the clock systems in the Clock Tower, and the construction of CLF's new office space on the Courthouse's ground floor. Two projects outlined in the 2013-2017 5-year plan were not completed; an inventory of the art work in the Courthouse (which was completed by the Docents instead), and a federal American Buildings survey in partnership with Cal Poly (which was ultimately deemed cost-prohibitive).

The CLF's proposed projects for the upcoming five-year period include the following:

2018: Fundraising for the Great Arch conservation project according to the recommendations in the 2017 study. Complete initial phase of Great Arch conservation project (removal of white coating on sandstone) as funds become available.

2019: Fundraising for remainder of Great Arch conservation project. Complete remainder of Great Arch conservation project (sandstone repair/replacement and re-painting mortar joints in archway and other areas on the Anacapa Street facade.)

2020: Fundraising for repair of deteriorating windows, primarily located in the courtrooms and law library on the second floor facing Figueroa Street. Repair/repaint windows as funds become available.

2021: Continue fundraising for Figueroa Street window repairs. Continue repairing/repainting windows as funds become available.

2022: Fundraising for repair of deteriorated concrete bracket and decorative garland trim on the high turret at the southeast corner of the old jail tower, and deteriorated concrete balcony areas at the second floor of the Figueroa Street facade. Undertake repairs as funds become available.

We respectfully submit this 2018-2022 five-year plan to the Board of Supervisors for their review and acceptance.