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**Historical Society Workshop Crew**

Over the past number of years the Fort Saskatchewan Historical Society has had a very active workshop crew made up of mainly retirees who work diligently to preserve, restore the many that can be seen in and around the Museum village and Fort. This dedicated group of individuals work hard to maintain and improve the existing facilities artifacts and build new projects for the Fort Heritage Precinct. We work very closely with the Museum staff and City Admin. We also have initiated many new projects which have enhanced the overall perception of the Historic Precinct.

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This group of individuals bring many skills, expertise and friendship to the workshop which generates a very social atmosphere. We have members skilled in electrical, instrumentation, pipefitting, millwrighting, mechanics and even a butcher. All bring their unique experiences to the workshop.

The following are just a few of the many projects, repairs refurbishments that have been completed by the workshop team.

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**Historical Society Workshop Crew Projects**

- 2 Gazebos (built a larger one to handle the weddings.)
- Red River Cart (authentically built no nails or screws)
- Officer's and Men's Latrine (get to know your friends)
- 2 Rail carts (refurbished deck and bogie)
- Garden Fence around Officers' Quarters (apple orchard)
- Gallows model (part of gaol exhibit)
- Blacksmith shop renovations (rewired, stained, repaired)
- Chicken coop repairs (Siding repaired, painted)
- Murphy Wagon restoration (Total restoration)
- 2 Tractor repairs (improve reliability)
- Vertical, visual Gasoline Pump (Total rebuild)

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**Historical Society Workshop Crew in  
Support of the History Centre.**

- Rebuilt and maintain the water pump station
- Maintain and built new furniture for NWMP Fort
- Made wooden rifles and revolvers
- Made and painted hobby horses
- Built and maintain the wooden cow and goat
- Teach the blacksmith portion of the “Who Was Here Before Us” program
- Made a cover for the bronze cannon

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**Electrical upgrade - \$2,000**

At present the power is supplied through the village’s own electrical circuitry, which has no capacity to take any additional load. This upgrade would tap into new washrooms, then be disconnected from village increasing village capacity.

**Dust collection - \$2,000**

We are currently using a loaned system which partially removes the dust but would like a permanent dust collection system

**Compressed air system - \$800**

With the varied work activities and tools a permanent compressed air system would increase versatility, we have the compressor just need piping.

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#### **Sandblast Unit - \$300**

Working on many artifacts entails a large amount of cleaning, rust removal etc. We have a donated unit just need associated tooling and piping.

#### **Tools - \$1,150**

Over the past number of years we have been adding to and upgrading our array of tools, but with the NWMP Viewing Platform scheduled for next year places the need to upgrade and replace the following tools: - Compound Mitre Saw, Air Nailer and Battery Operated Power Drill

This request for \$6,650.00 of additional funding is to cover associated costs of material and tools only, all work/permits will be handled by qualified people of the workshop group.

### Fort Saskatchewan Historical Society 2017 Budget Request Questions:

