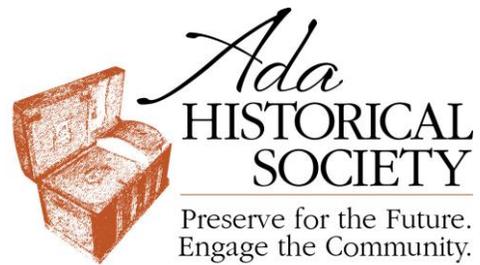


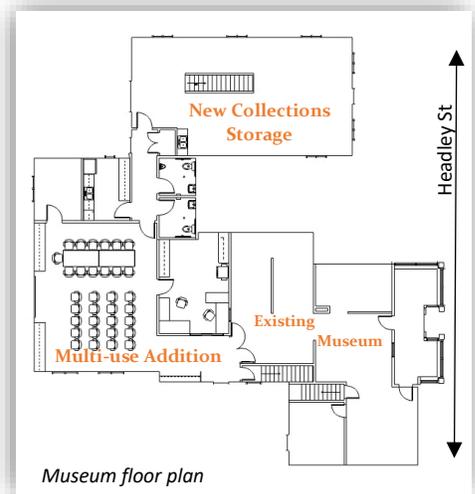
# Museum Expansion Project



An exciting project is underway at the Averill Historical Museum of Ada. For several years, Ada Historical Society members have explored options for expanding the current museum to meet the growing needs of engaging the community and preserving Ada's history.

Plans are now finalized to expand the museum by 2,960 square feet to better serve the community. Ada village is undergoing the most dramatic change since its humble origins as a fur trading post. The museum expansion is key to preserving Ada's past while better serving the needs and interests of today's community and future generations.

*The museum renderings show solutions that will allow us to:*



**Preserve for the Future** with a new building:

- 1,876 square feet of new, controlled, archival storage
- accessible for those working on cataloging, preservation, and storage
- looks like a separate village building with a connecting hallway to the museum
- secure and separate from public spaces

**Engage the Community** in a larger museum addition:

- a multi-use room for lectures, classes, programs, and visits by scouting groups, school groups, retirement homes, civic and historic organizations, etc.
- double the number of current restrooms, more conveniently accessed
- separate museum exhibit space from community meeting spaces
- a kitchenette for event use, welcome desk, and office space

***The facility expansion will greatly enhance our service to the Ada community. AHS will be able to preserve more items in the historic collections, care for them properly, and welcome more visitors to the museum with a wider array of on-site offerings.***

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