



Kittitas County Historical Society, Inc.
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Thank you for your interest in applying to join the Board of Directors of the Kittitas County Historical Society, Inc.!

We welcome applications from those interested in helping to further the Mission of the Kittitas County Historical Society, Inc., and its Museum, which is *“To collect and preserve materials, which may help establish, illustrate, and educate about the history of Kittitas County. To provide accessibility to all who wish to examine or study it, as well as to disseminate historical information and arouse interest in Kittitas County history through exhibit and interpretation.”*

To further familiarize yourself with our goals and guidelines, you may obtain a copy of the Kittitas County Historical Society, Inc. [Articles of Incorporation](#) (1963) and our organization [Bylaws](#) (2018) to review before filling out the attached application.

Our institution was founded on September 20, 1961, and to this day, is the oldest history-focused, or museum, established as a private nonprofit 501(c)3 charitable organization in Kittitas County. We take our role in collecting, preserving, and sharing Kittitas County’s history just as seriously as we did on the day we were established.

Individuals, families, and businesses join the Kittitas County Historical Society, Inc. with an annual membership in order to support the Museum, and it is from these members that the Board of Directors, of 9 to 11 persons, is elected during the December membership meeting. Positions are for a one-year term, from January 1 to December 31; and may be re-appointed for multiple terms. Officer positions of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary, are also elected at this time. These individuals are then responsible for meeting monthly on the Third Wednesday at 6:00 P.M. at the Museum; it is recommended to attend in-person, but virtual accommodations can be made upon request. During these meetings, these individuals are responsible for the operational and fiscal responsibility and management of the organization and its holdings, as well as oversight of the Museum Director who is hired at the behest of the Board of Directors to manage the day-to-day operations of the Museum and property management of the organization’s holdings.

As of December 2021, the Museum has in its collection over 17,000 objects, more than 9,000 photographs and negatives, and 36 banker boxes full of archival material. The Museum is also known for its annual lecture series, changing exhibits, walking tours, and more.

One of our important goals is to maintain a proactive and energetic Board of Directors, who will support and interact with the Museum Director and staff, and will assist with continuing the Museum’s Mission. Board members are encouraged to participate in many of the Museum events, as well as volunteer under the management of the Museum Director.

When you complete the application, please submit it at the address or [email address](#) listed above in the header. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Museum Director. The available seats on the Board of Directors of the Kittitas County Historical Society, Inc. will be open until filled.