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**BRICK AND MORTAR REPAIRS TAKING PLACE AT  
HISTORIC SPRINGFIELD MUSEUM**

*Work will be funded in part by a Preserving Oregon Grant*

Beginning Monday, May 20, a contractor for the city of Springfield will begin to repair mortar and replace significantly damaged bricks on the Historic Springfield Museum Building. These repairs will improve the structural integrity of the building, increase weather-tightness and lengthen the life span of this important downtown structure, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The total cost of this project is \$75,000 and is funded in part by a matching grant from the Oregon State Historic Preservation office.

“Springfield is working to model positive ways of caring for our community’s historic structures in the same way that private property owners are asked to care for their listed structures,” said Springfield Senior Planner Molly Markarian. The work also highlights the financial incentives available to property owners of structures on the National Register for rehabilitation projects.

The work should be completed by mid July. No street closures are expected but may require some parking spaces to be temporarily closed and the temporary closure of the sidewalk on the east side of the Museum.

**Background:**

Situated in historic downtown Springfield, Oregon amid cafes and antique and specialty shops. Large colorful murals grace nearby buildings. The Museum is housed in the 1911 Oregon Power Company transformer station. Because of its unique architecture and its important role in the early utility industry, the building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.