

Request Name: Jesse N. Smith Home in Parowan

Description: This would fund the repair and restoration of the structural, safety and aesthetics of the Jesse N Smith home in Parowan.

Agency: Heritage and Arts

Funding For: \$110,000 One time

Jesse N. Smith Home Restoration Performance Measures

The Jesse N. Smith home is one of the iconic historical pioneer structures in Parowan City. It is believed to be the oldest adobe brick home in the state of Utah. Each year, the home is visited by large numbers of elementary school children on field trips, tourists visiting the area and family members of Jesse N. Smith.

Performance measure 1: Ensure that the home will allow visitors to continue to learn, first hand, what pioneer life was like in the 1860s and 1870s when much of southern Utah was settled from the Parowan area.

Measurement: Visitors to the home are asked to sign a guest log. This information can be tracked to show the continued use of the home for decades to come.

Performance measure 2: Improve the safety of the home.

Measurement: 1) Repair worn staircases. 2) Install observation platforms with safety rails in the basement.

Performance measure 3: Preserve the structure of the home.

Measurement: 1) Repair cracks in exterior walls, repair/replace roof as necessary, 2) restore or replace decaying window and trim boards, 3) repair doors that either don't work or hang crooked due to the foundation settling over the years 4) sand and seal wooden floors. 5) Paint the exterior of the home.

Performance measure 4: Restore / Enhance the appearance of the home:

Measurement: 1) Replace landscaping that was damaged resulting from loss of the city's watershed caused by the Brian Head fire. 2) Install period-appropriate fencing around the perimeter of the home. 3) Paint the interior of the home.