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Welcome to the **Heritage Conservation Program Review and Update**.

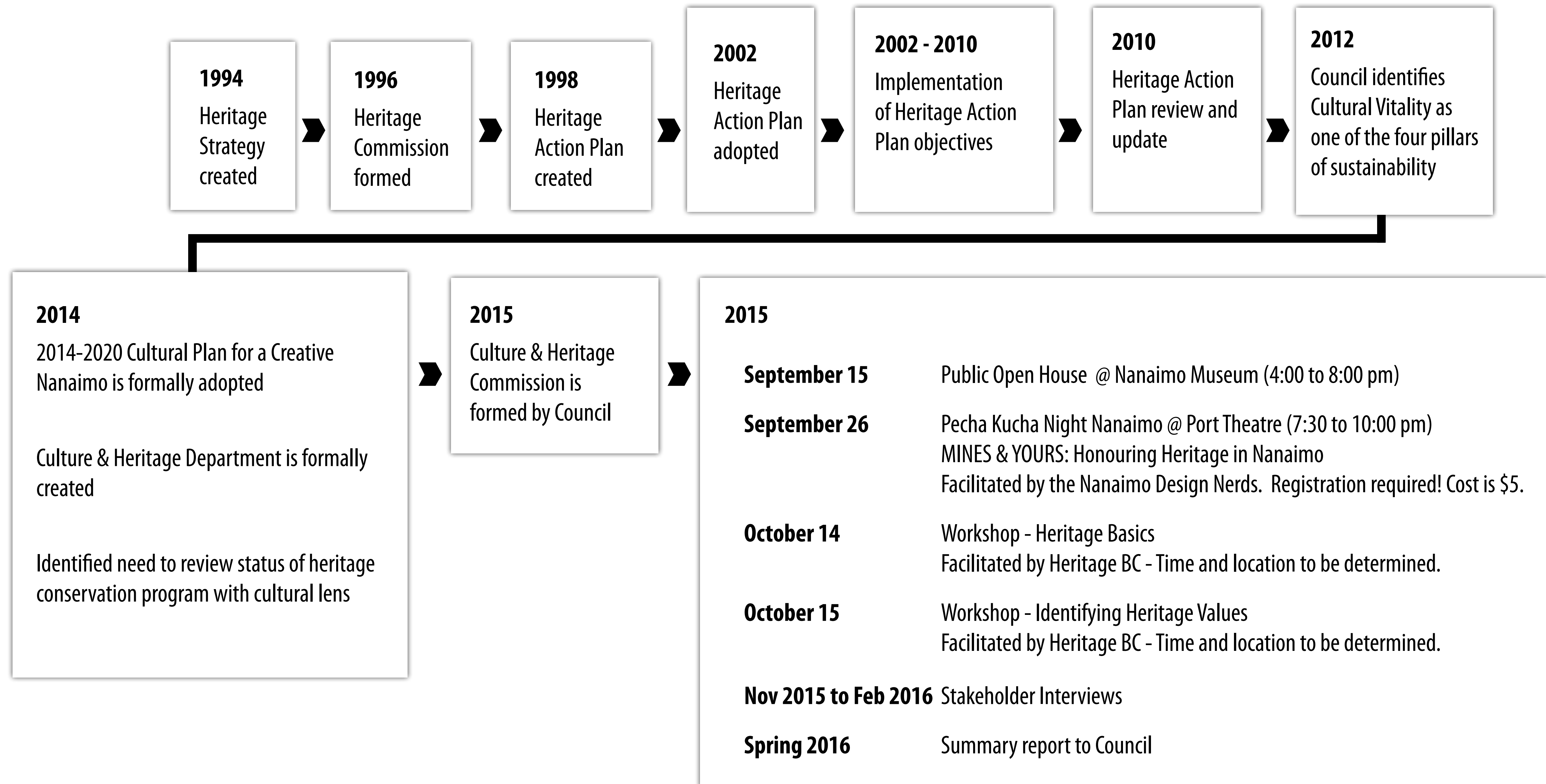
Please review the boards. If you have questions, please speak with the City's Culture & Heritage Department staff, or Culture & Heritage Commission members.

We encourage you to complete a **Comments Sheet** and share your ideas with respect to strengthening the City's existing Heritage Conservation Program.

Purpose of Review & Update

- Seek input from stakeholders and residents regarding heritage values
- Identify collaborative opportunities and synergies related to Nanaimo's heritage and culture
- Explore the connection between Nanaimo's heritage and culture - where do these sectors overlap?
- Review, renew or update program initiatives that support community values and priorities

Timeline



Heritage Action Plan (2010) Objectives

- Increased involvement on community and neighbourhood levels
- Increased community involvement and awareness regarding implementation of archeological studies
- Conserve and promote the conservation of cultural landscapes
- Maintain and expand the heritage incentive programs
- Adopt an anti-neglect bylaw for derelict heritage properties
- Continue to add properties to the Heritage Register
- Review zoning in Old City Neighbourhood
- Strengthen relationship with strategic partners
- Explore opportunity for presentation of multi-lingual promotional information (i.e. brochures, signage)

Heritage Action Plan (2010) Status

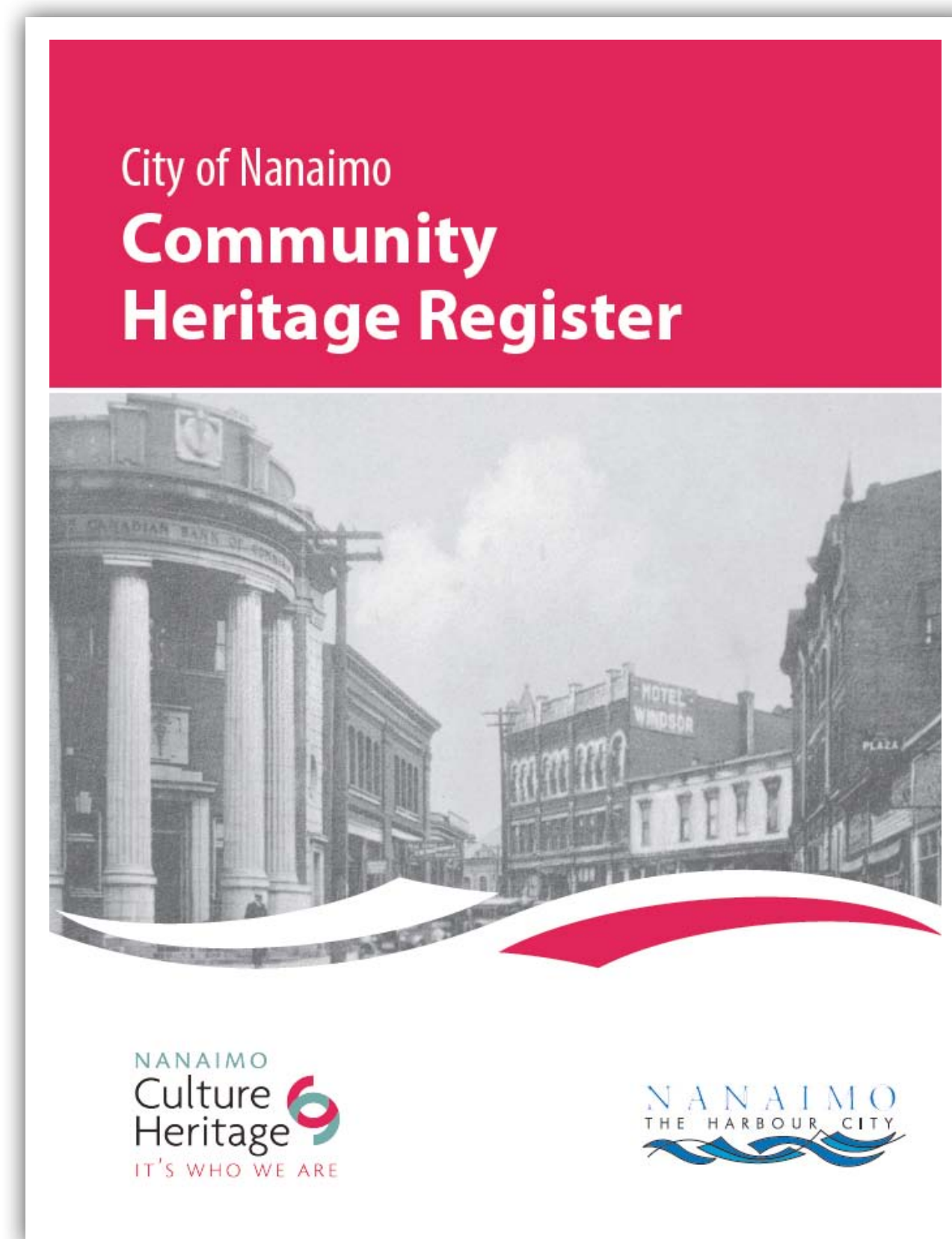
- Create a Community Heritage Register ➤ **Complete**
- Adopt a consolidated set of conservation principles & standards ➤ **Complete**
- Create Downtown Heritage Conservation Area ➤ **Complete**
- Adopt Heritage Procedures Bylaw ➤ **Complete**
- Create Landscape Conservation Policy ➤ **Complete**
- Expand Heritage Commission role & responsibility ➤ **Complete**
- Create Archaeological Sites Policy ➤ **Complete**
- Create City Records Management Policy ➤ **Complete**
- Create Heritage Building Documentation & Salvage Policies ➤ **Complete**

Heritage Action Plan (2010) Status

Promote Heritage Awareness	➤ Complete
Create incentive programs to encourage heritage conservation	➤ Complete
Create a Cemetery Conservation Master Plan	➤ Almost Complete
Review Heritage Register program & policies every three years	➤ Complete
Create an Old City Heritage Conservation Area	➤ Did Not Proceed *
Adopt an Anti-Neglect Bylaw	➤ Did Not Proceed *
Adopt a Heritage Stewardship Policy for city owned heritage buildings, and individual heritage conservation plans for each building	➤ No Comprehensive Action *
Review and Update Zoning in Old City to encourage conservation of heritage resources	➤ Did Not Proceed *
Update 1984 Heritage Building Design Guidelines	➤ Not Completed *

****see background document for details***

Community Heritage Register



A **Heritage Register** is an official list of properties identified by the City as having heritage value, and can include buildings, structures and sites. The purpose of a Heritage Register is to:

- officially list heritage resources of Nanaimo
- give notice to property owners, and potential buyers) of heritage factors (architectural, cultural, aesthetic) which may affect development options for a listed property
- enable monitoring of proposed changes to properties through the local government heritage alteration and building permit process

160 buildings, 8 sites, 9 structures

Heritage Facade Improvement Grant Program



The **Heritage Façade Improvement Grant Program** is designed to provide financial incentives to encourage rehabilitation and enhancement of heritage buildings located in the City's downtown core, as well as promote economic growth and investment.

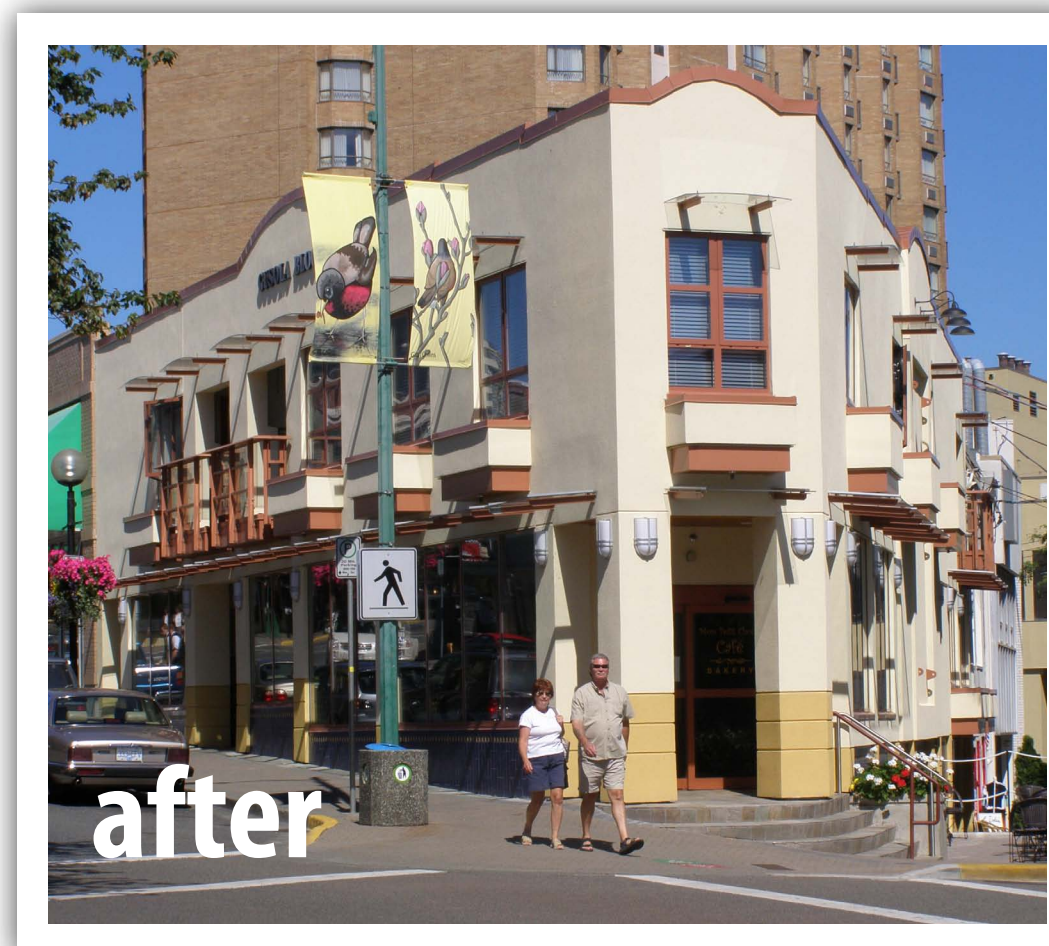
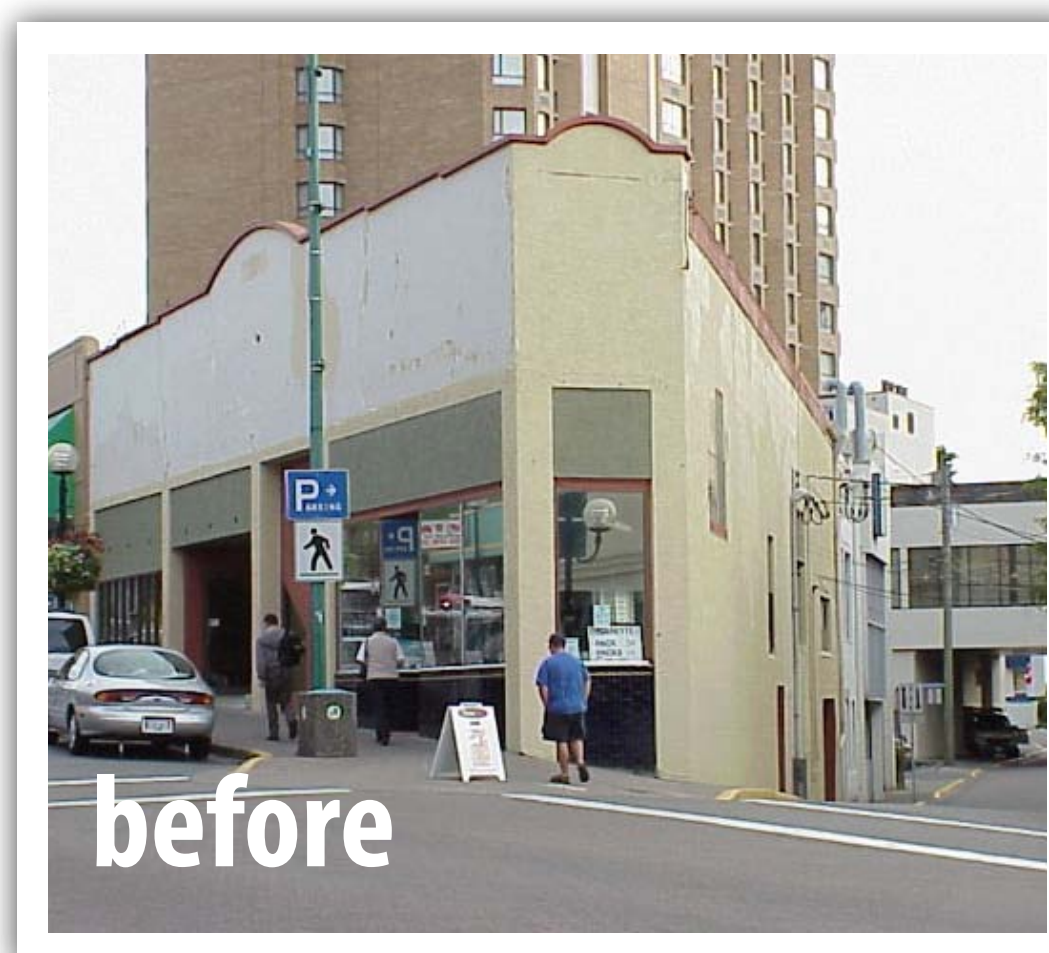
The grant covers up to 50% of the exterior façade improvement project cost, to a maximum of \$10,000 per building face fronting on a street.

**see background document for list of projects completed*



**\$289,686 invested (since 2003) has leveraged
= \$7,038,616 in private investment**

Downtown Residential Conversion Tax Exemption



The **Downtown Residential Conversion Tax Exemption Program** has two main goals – one is to encourage new residential units; the other is to preserve heritage buildings in the Downtown Core.

It offers full property tax exemption (up to 10 years) and is designed to offset the cost of seismic / building code / sprinkler / façade upgrade work required by a project.

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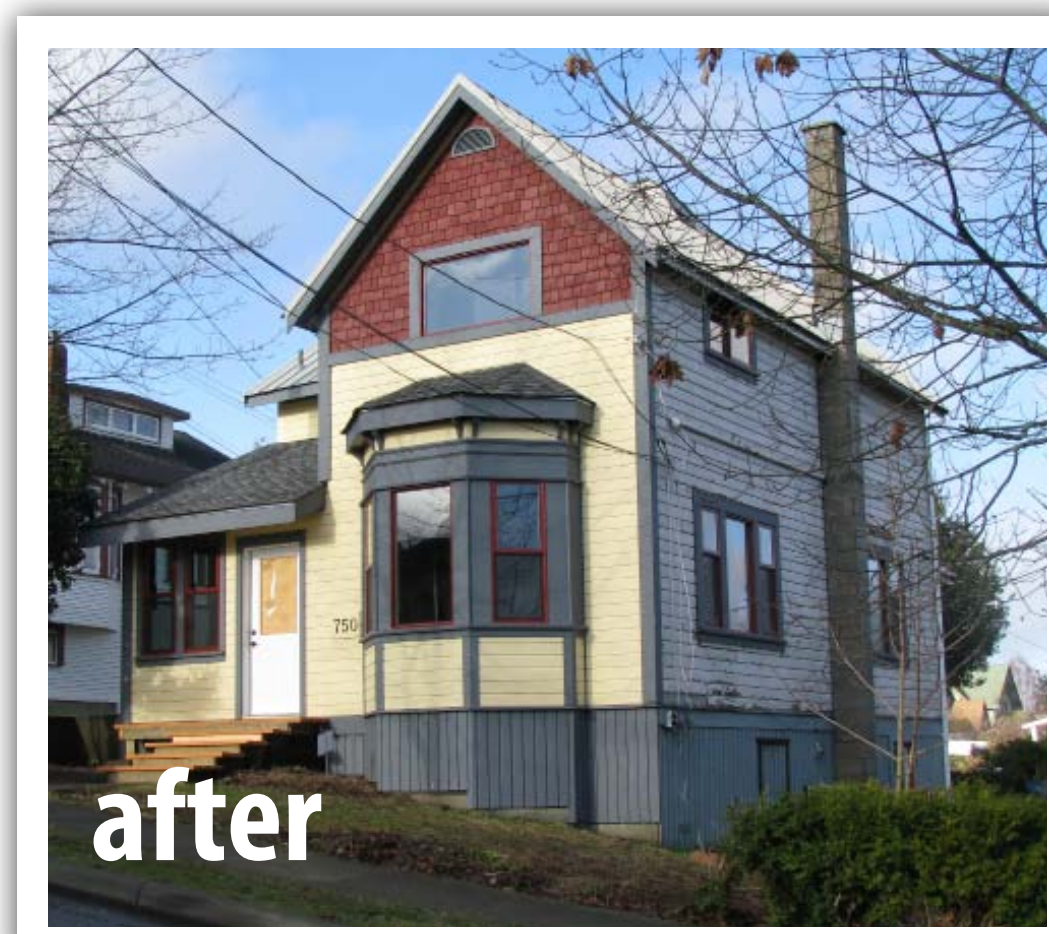
**\$860,019 (35 years worth) has leveraged
= \$6,083,980 private investment**

Heritage Home Grants



The purpose of the **Heritage Home Grant Program** is to enhance and conserve Nanaimo's historic residential building resources.

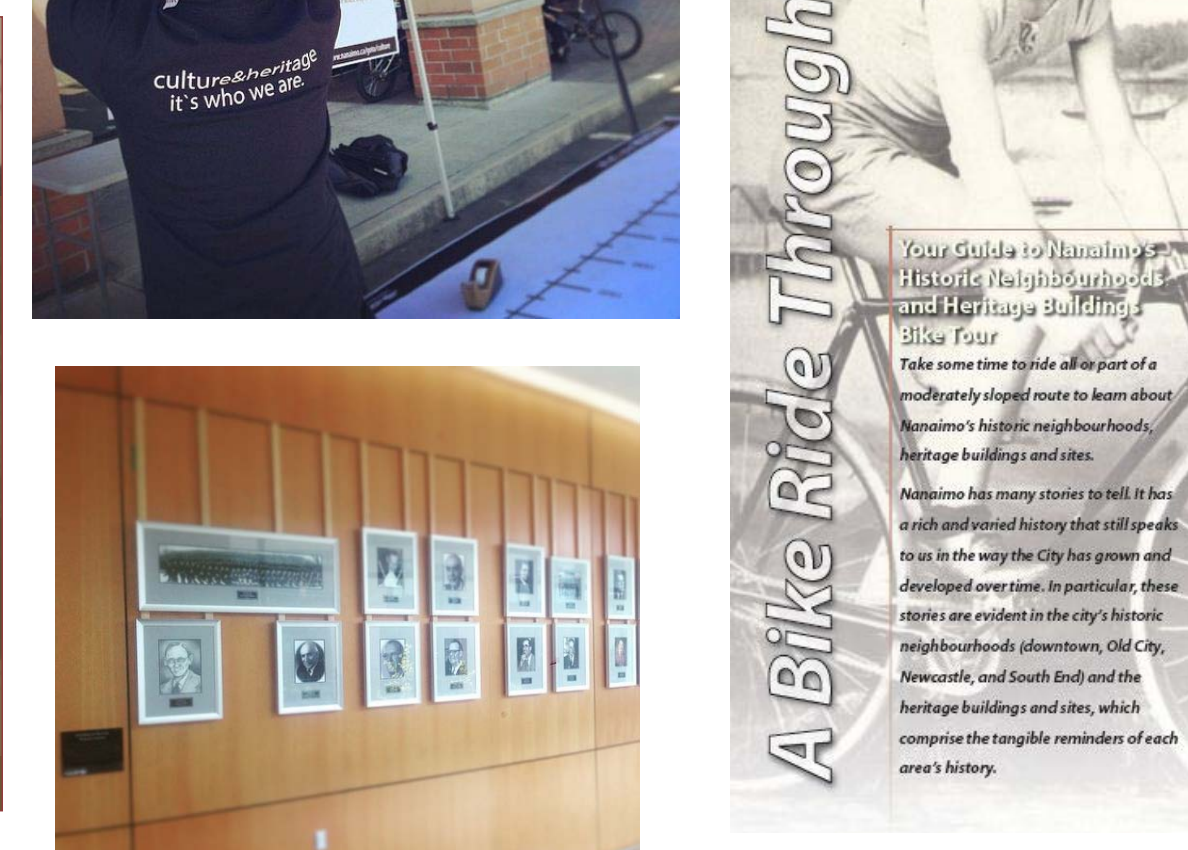
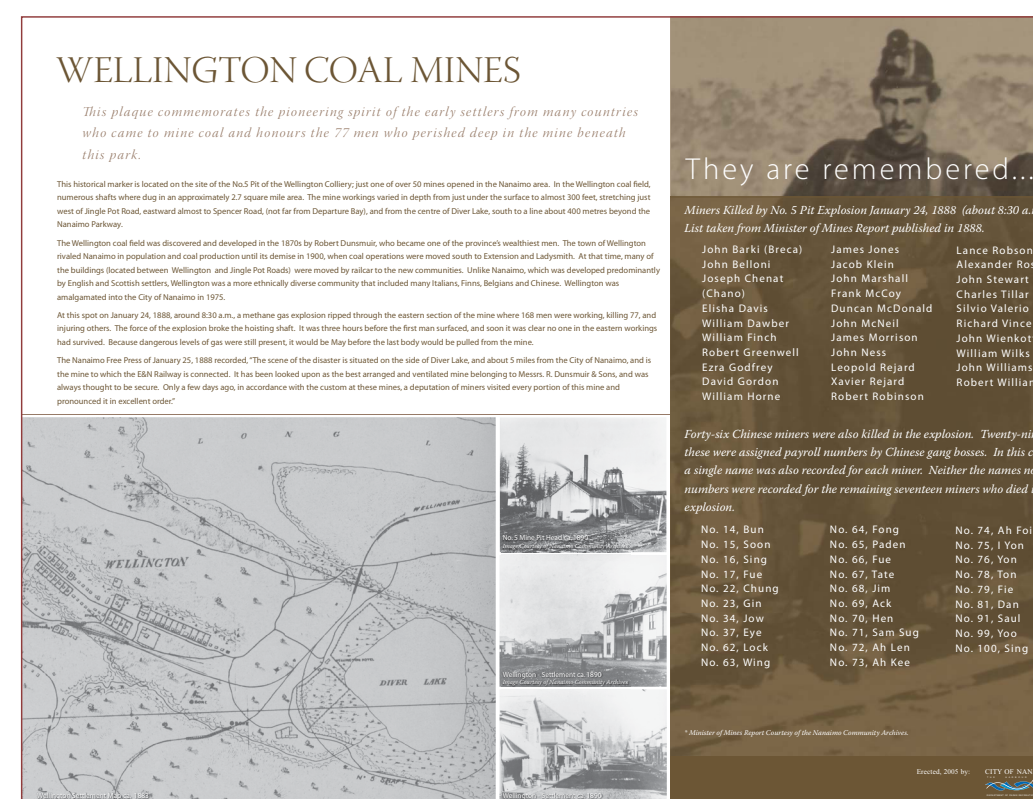
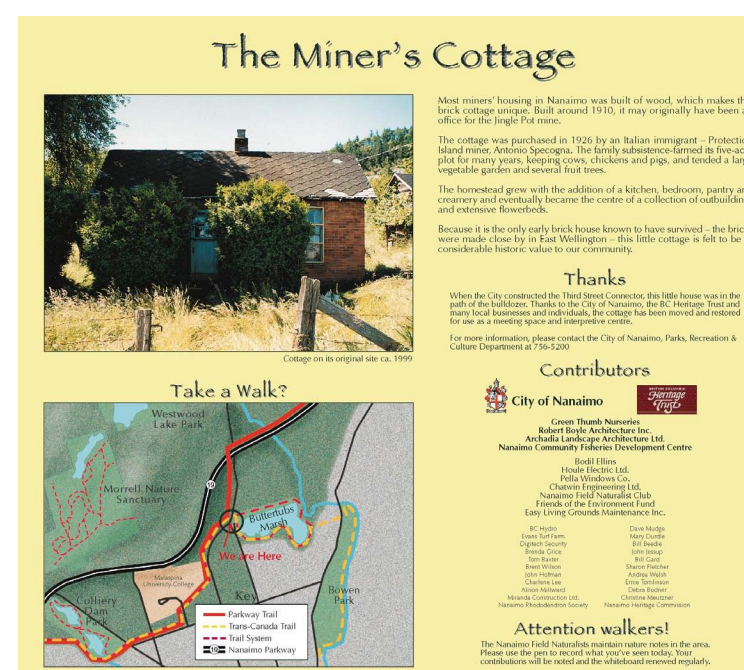
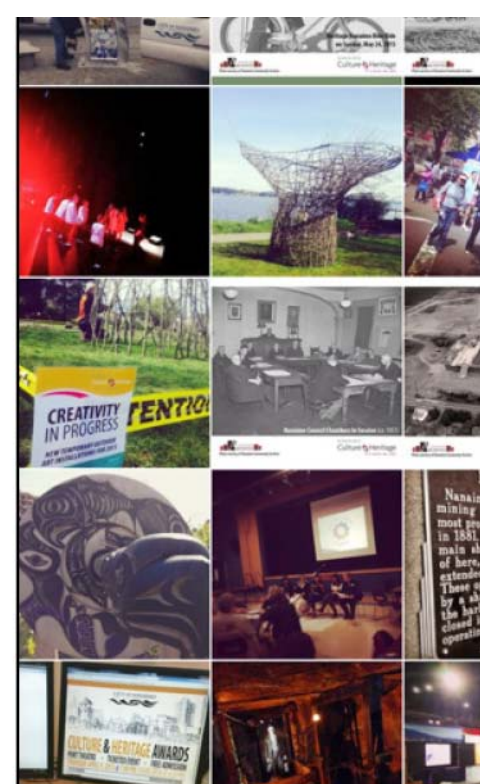
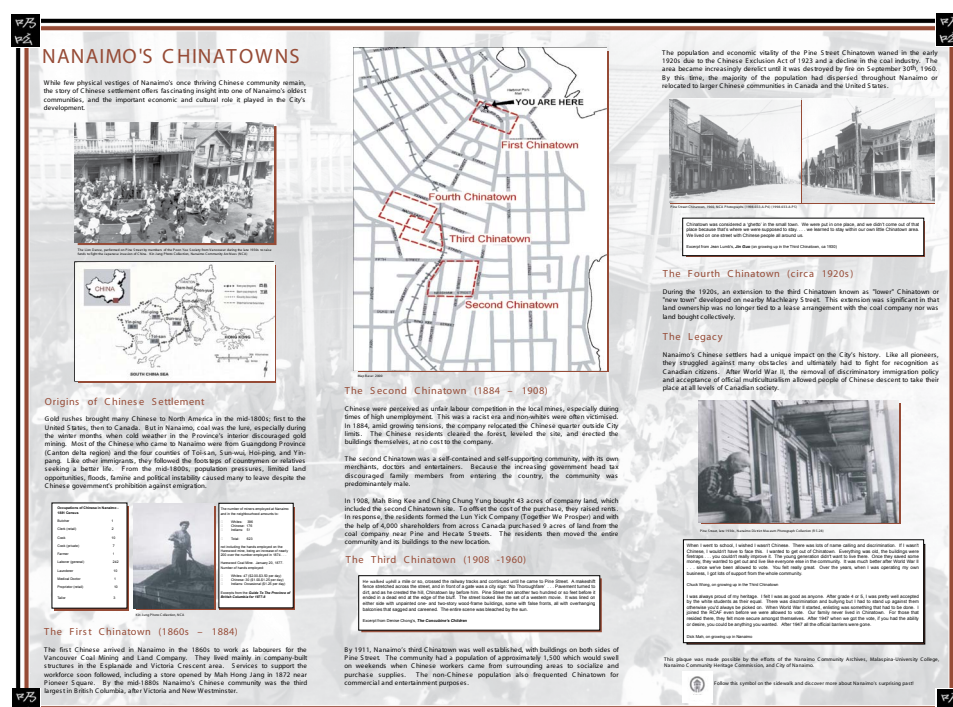
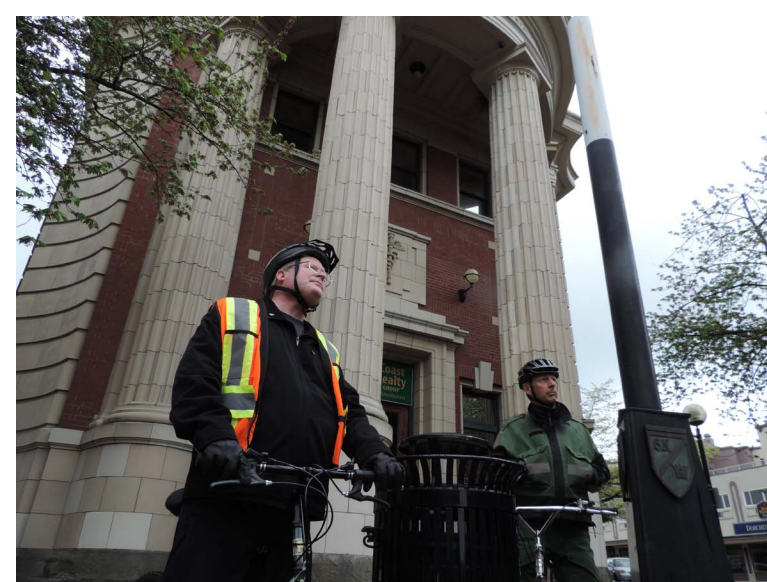
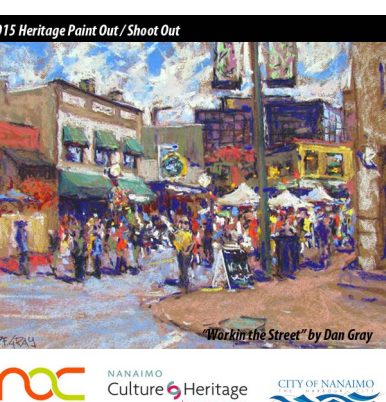
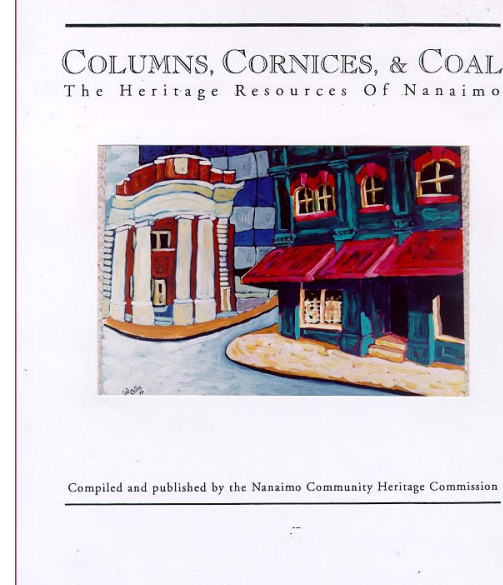
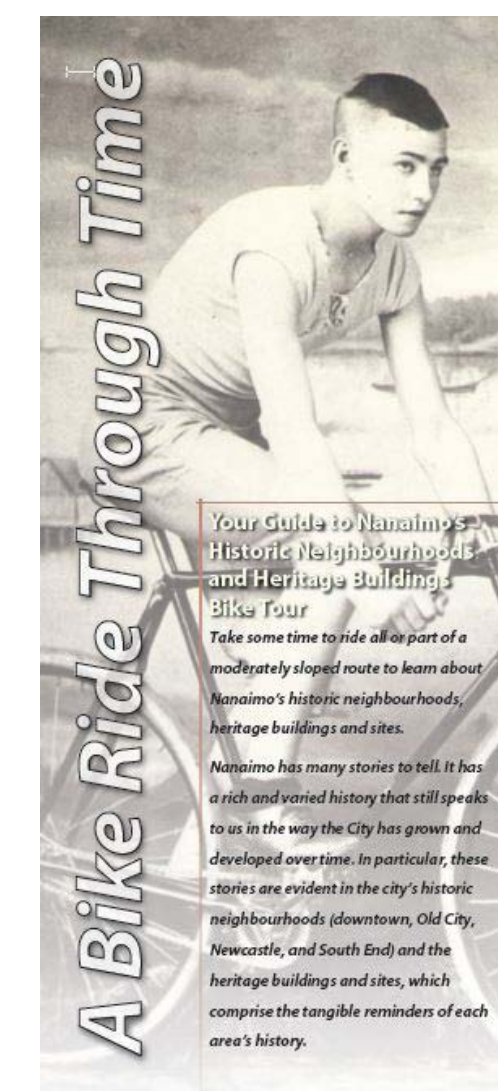
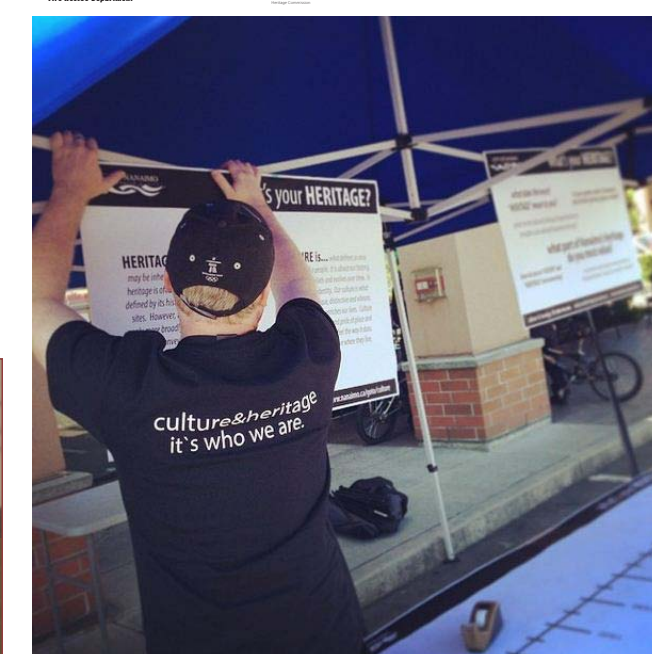
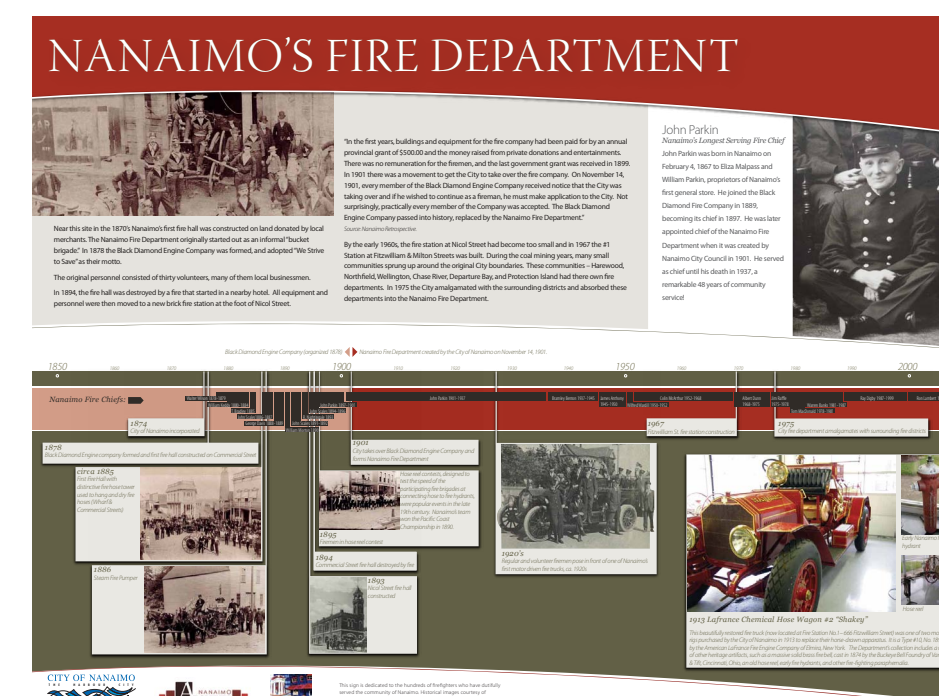
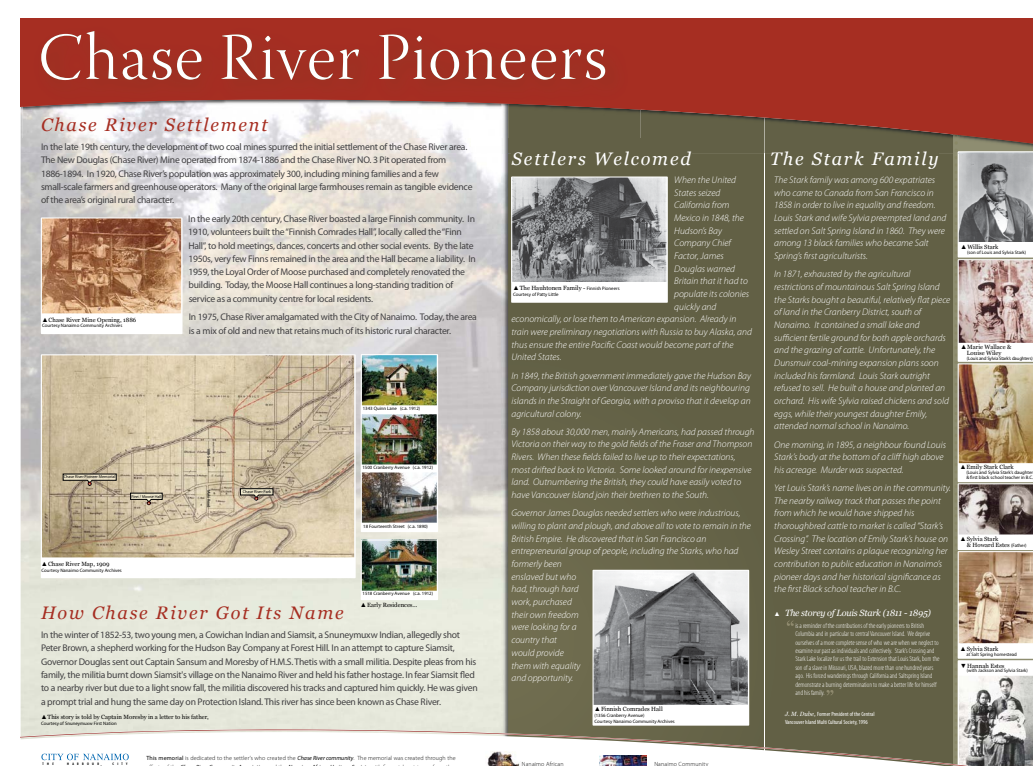
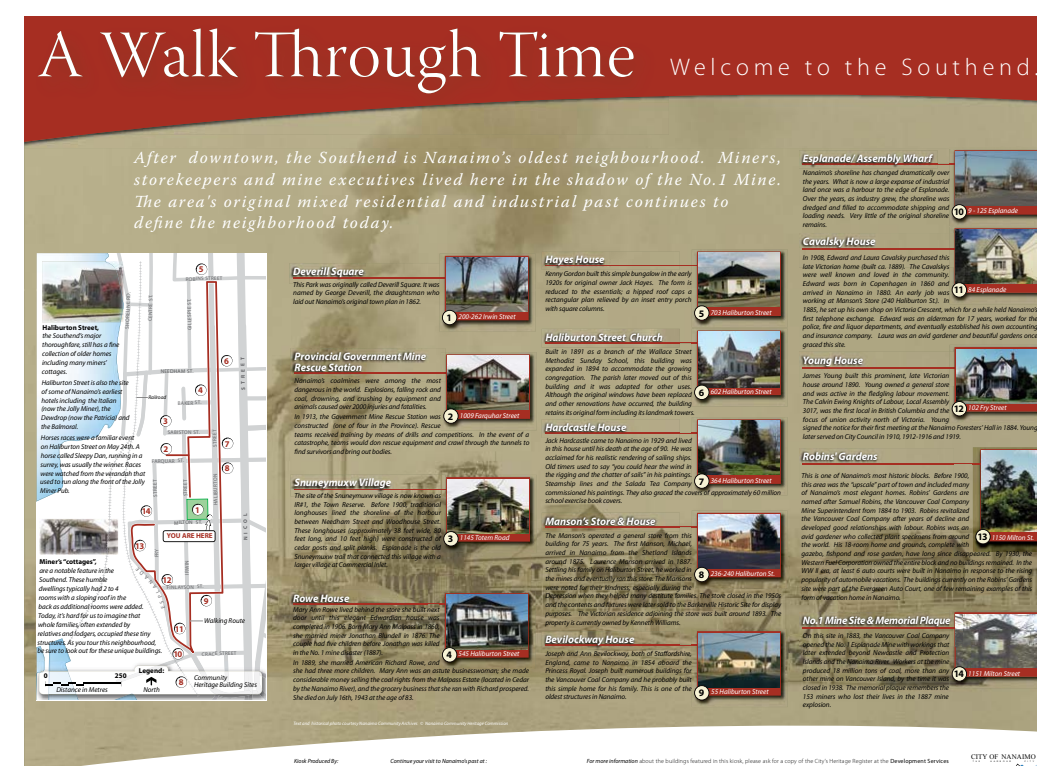
The grant cover up to 50% of total exterior building or structural improvement project cost, to a maximum of \$2,500 per building.



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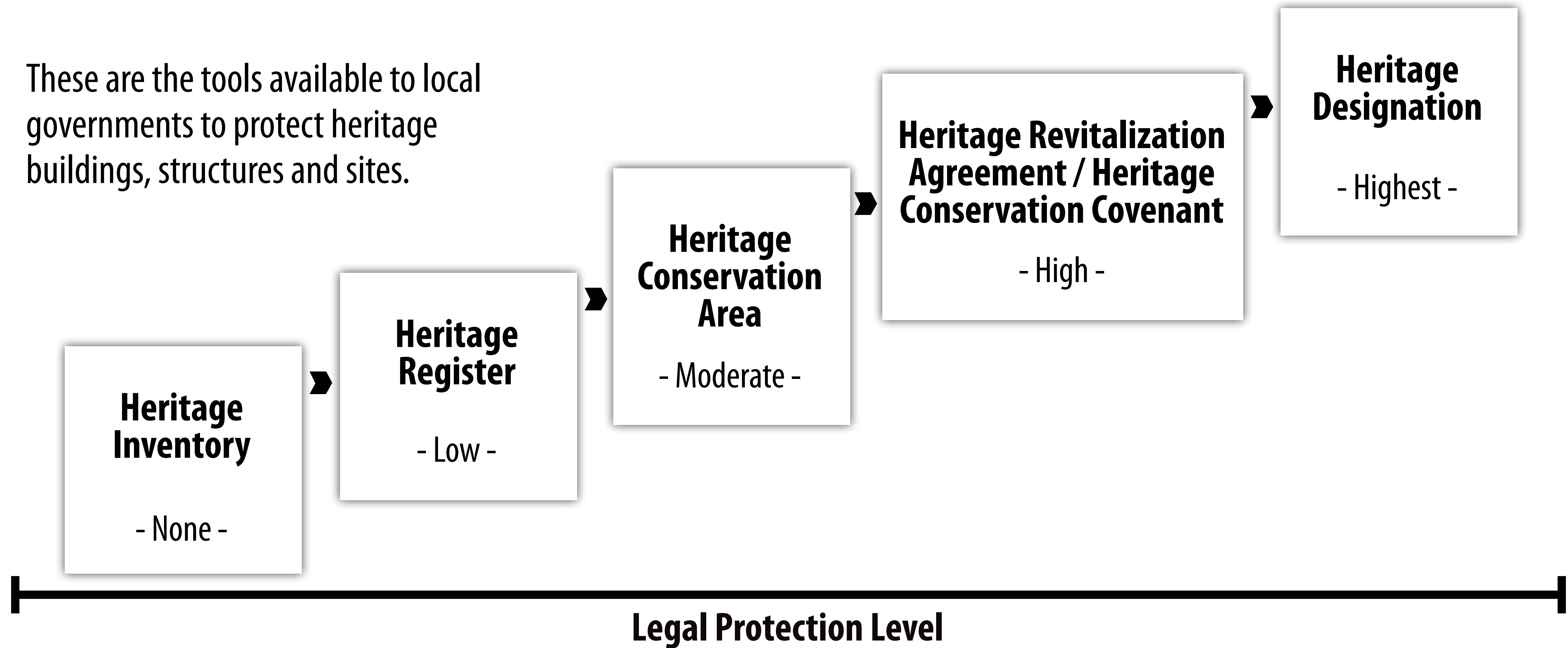
**\$51,182 investment (since 2006) has leveraged
= \$187,159 private investment**

Education & Promotion



Protection Tools for Local Governments

These are the tools available to local governments to protect heritage buildings, structures and sites.



Thank You

On behalf of the City of Nanaimo and the Culture and Heritage Commission, **thank you** for providing your input. Please take some time to complete the **Comments Sheet** provided and drop it in the Comments Box on your way out. You can also submit comments in person, by mail or email until **October 31, 2015**.

The results of your input will be presented to City Council in the form of a summary report on the status of the program, and recommendations on how best to integrate the program with the policy objectives of the Cultural Plan.

Questions? Contact us directly at 250-755-4483.

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