

2023 Annual Report

HERITAGE + HEART

**YOUR GUIDE TO THE DOWNTOWN PERTH
HERITAGE CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

2023 Heritage Perth Advisory Panel

Brent McLaren, Chair

Jaana Brett, Co-Chair

David Bird, Councillor

Barry Smith, Councillor

Loree Tannet, Citizen Representative

Adam Mackenzie-Smith, Citizen Representative

Marjory Nasmith, Citizen Representative

Shannon Baillon, Director of Community Services until May, 2023

Cathy McNally, Director of Community Services from May, 2023

Kathryn Jamieson, Manager of Tourism and Culture

Megan Buchanan, Recording Secretary

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2023 Highlights

Growing up in Perth, I clearly took it for granted just how special Perth's Heritage Conservation District really is – since I joined the Community Services team last May, I've witnessed the commitment required to maintain our gorgeous landscape.

From business owners installing beautiful signage to property owners completing restorative masonry work, it's opened my eyes to understand what it takes to keep Perth's Heritage in check. The Town has your back in supporting your projects including Heritage Permit applications and CIP and Heritage Restoration Grants. Please take advantage of these financial supports, and don't hesitate to reach out with any questions about the application process.

Perth truly is a special space that honours our heritage while also showcasing our incredible businesses that draw visitors and make our residents proud – thank you for being a part of that pivotal role.

Cathy McNally, Director of Community Services
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Heritage Permits: Do I Need One?

It's hard to believe we're already wrapping up the first quarter of 2024! As we get set for a busy season, please know we're here to help walk you through the Heritage permit application process. The great news? It's free!

A Heritage permit is required when exterior work is getting completed on a heritage-designated property and/or is located within the Heritage Conservation District. There are some exceptions based on how each building is rated, so please reach out early on in your planning phase.

In 2023, the Town issued 16 Heritage Permits. Since 2012, 301 Heritage Permits have been issued. We want to continue this amazing commitment to our heritage preservation while also supporting the goal to keep our buildings looking fresh.

If you are interested in making changes to the façade of your building, please contact Kathryn Jamieson, Manager of Tourism and Culture, at tourism@perth.ca. She's a great resource as you plan your exterior repairs and modifications, and can often provide photos and other historical information that may be relevant to your property and project.

Heritage Resources



Scan this QR Code or visit [PERTH.ca/HCD](https://perth.ca/HCD) for a comprehensive collection of heritage resources to help you. These include the Downtown Heritage Conservation District By-law No. 4271, a map of the District, a related Stewardship Guide, a listing of properties with heritage designations, the heritage permit application form, information on the award program, and more.



Heritage Perth Architectural Conservation Awards

The Heritage Perth Architectural Conservation Award Program recognizes, promotes, and encourages excellence in heritage conservation in Perth, Ontario. Thank you and congratulations to the following:



Jennifer and Matthew Newby, whose loving restoration of the iconic front porch and entrance at 15 Thom Street stands as a testament to heritage conservation done right. From the architectural entablatures to the stained-glass transom, their project, brought to life by the skilled hands of local tradespeople, is a masterpiece of historical accuracy and dedication.



Devon DeRose and Alex Goodfellow, for their innovative approach to heritage preservation at 65 Drummond Street East. Their project, which involved moving and installing a front porch from another heritage property, has beautifully restored the building's original charm, ensuring its story continues for generations to come.

Nominations for the Heritage Perth Architectural Conservation Award Program close December 31, 2024. Awards (one or more) will be granted to a project, an individual, or a group. There are four award categories: Buildings, Landscapes, Education (Related to Heritage Awareness) and Heritage Craftspeople. Further details and eligibility requirements can be found at PERTH.ca/HCD. Certificates will be presented at a Perth Town Council meeting close to Heritage Week each February.



Grant Refresh: The What and The How

HERITAGE BUILDING RESTORATION GRANT	COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) GRANT
<p>This grant is available to the owner(s) of heritage properties (industrial, commercial, or residential) who have completed an approved restoration of a heritage feature of a designated property. It's available for Heritage Designated Buildings and/or buildings located within the Heritage Conservation District. It offers applicants up to 25% capital grant of the project, up to 1/3 of the year's total funding allotment.</p>	<p>The CIP façade and signage improvement program offers property owners a one-third capital grant (to a maximum of \$5,000) to undertake façade improvements such as a new coat of paint, repointing stone or brick work, landscape features and physical improvements that will improve accessibility for clients and customers.</p>
<p>First come, first served</p>	<p>First come, first served</p>
<p>Council has allocated \$10,000 for this grant program for 2024; once it's used up, it's gone for the year.</p>	<p>Council has allocated \$25,000 for this grant program for 2024; once it's used up, it's gone for the year.</p>

HOT (GRANT) TIPS:

- ✓ Don't worry about getting three quotes. One to two quotes is often enough.
- ✓ You can apply for the grant each year.

Heritage Perth Advisory Panel Information

The Panel considers heritage issues of a general nature affecting the community, makes recommendations on general heritage matters to the Committee of the Whole, and identifies Cultural Heritage Properties by examining, researching and evaluating properties and areas that may deserve protection now and in the future. Meetings are typically held at 11:00 a.m. in Council Chambers on the third Monday of the month. Virtual participation is also possible. These are the dates for the 2024 Heritage Perth Advisory Panel meetings:

- Monday, January 15, 2024
- Tuesday, February 20, 2024 (due to Family Day)
- Monday, March 18, 2024
- Monday, March 15, 2024
- Tuesday, May 21, 2024 (due to Victoria Day)
- Monday, June 17, 2024
- July - no meeting date
- Monday, August 19, 2024
- Monday, September 16, 2024
- Monday, October 21, 2024
- Monday, November 19, 2024
- December - no meeting date

