

119-year-old building revitalized

Improvements to the historic Kyle Building in downtown Florence are now complete. The work began in June 2019 and wrapped in April 2020.

The project was funded in part by a matching Oregon Main Street Revitalization grant from the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office, Oregon Heritage. As an Exploring Downtown member of the Oregon Main Street Network, the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce submitted the application in collaboration with Kyle Building owners Ron Hogeland and Joann and

Stuart Henderson.

Completed rehabilitation work included installation of a new roof and gutters, structural and flooring repairs, plumbing updates, and exterior painting of the 119-year-old building. The Kyle Building was accepted into the National Register of Historic Places in 1982.

To learn more about the Oregon Main Street Revitalization Grant or the Oregon Main Street Network, visit www.oregonheritage.org. In Florence, go to FlorenceChamber.com.

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- The Downtown Revitalization Team has been very busy. From gaining national media attention with a visit from “Small Business Revolution” to joining the Main Street Program, which won a \$68,000 grant for rehabili-

tating the Kyle Building in Historic Old Town Florence.

With a budget exceeding \$450,000, the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce is on track, working together with community partners and leveraging resources, to continue sustainable economic development.



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