

Dane County Cultural Resource Planning Guide

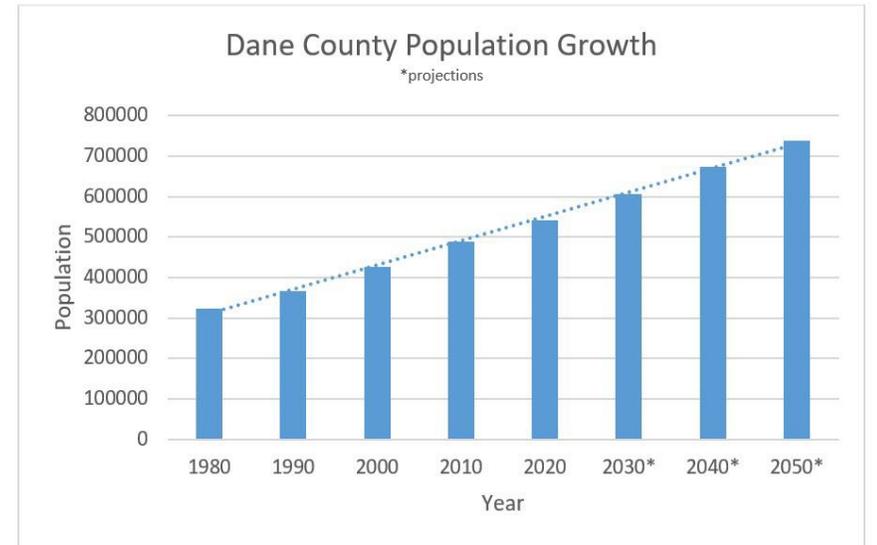
A toolkit for rural communities



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Why Plan for Cultural Resources?

- ▶ Each year, Dane County absorbs the largest population increase in Wisconsin. Given such rapid growth, how can Dane County:
 - ▶ Preserve the archaeological and architectural heritage of a land that has been continuously settled for 12,000 years or more?
 - ▶ Foster civic pride in its communities through acknowledgement and preservation of heritage?
 - ▶ Utilize cultural resource planning to serve as an engine for economic growth?
 - ▶ Incorporate archeological sites, historic structures, and cultural heritage into growing and evolving communities?

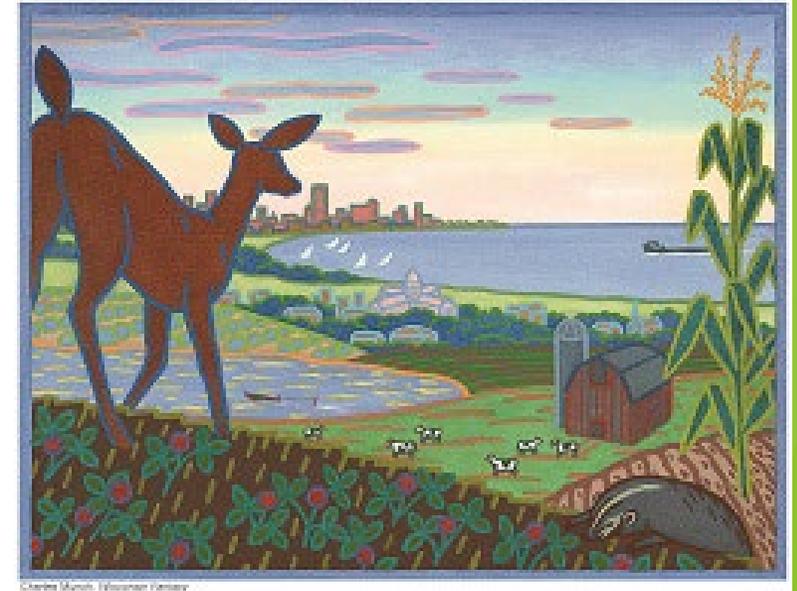


Source: Capital Area Regional Planning Commission



Dane County Comprehensive Plan Adopted Goals for Cultural Resources

1. Encourage permanent protection, interpretation and maintenance for all identified Dane County archaeological sites of significance.
2. Protect, preserve and restore buildings, structures, sites, landscapes, natural features and districts which represent or reflect elements of Dane County's cultural, social, economic, political and architectural history.
3. Increase public awareness and appreciation of historic and archaeological resources.
4. Identify, record and evaluate archaeological, historic and cultural resources and sites.



Wisconsin Comprehensive Planning Law on Cultural Resources

Comprehensive plans must include:

S. [66.1001\(2\)\(e\)](#), Wis Stats. Agricultural, natural and cultural resources element. A compilation of objectives, policies, goals, maps and programs for the conservation, and promotion of the effective management, of ... [historical and cultural resources](#), community design, recreational resources and other natural resources.

Statutory Minimums

- ▶ Architectural history
- ▶ Aslak Lie Cabin, 1849



Statutory Minimums

- ▶ Archaeological history and burial sites
- ▶ Two-Tailed Water Spirit, Observatory Hill



Statutory Minimums

- ▶ Some communities look at festivals, food, traditions and other cultural heritage
- ▶ Syttende Mai, 1875
- ▶ Syttende Mai Parade, 1954
- ▶ Syttende Mai, Present Day

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Wisconsin Historical Society, Vinje, Arthur M., Syttende Mai Parade, 87287, Viewed online at <https://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Records/Image/IM87287>.

Stoughton Festivals, Unknown, Norwegian Dancers, Viewed online at <https://www.stoughtonfestivals.com/performances>.



Purpose of Dane County Cultural Resource Planning Guide

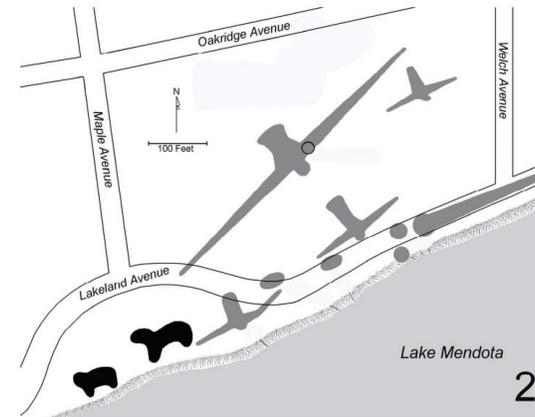
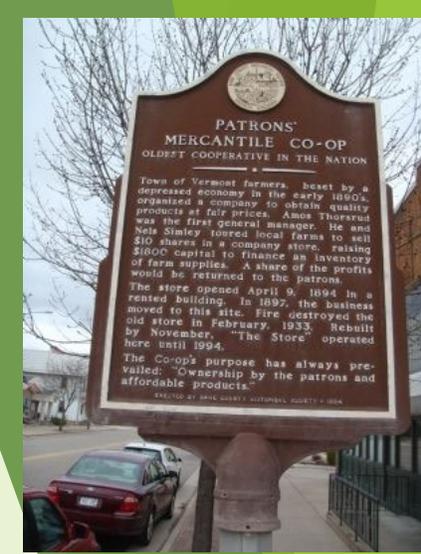
Assist communities in protecting and educating citizens about historic resources

Dane County Heritage

- ▶ Dane County has:
 - ▶ 13,476 sites listed on the Wisconsin Architecture and History Inventory.¹
 - ▶ 260 listings on the National Register of Historic Places²
 - ▶ Highest density of effigy mounds in the world³
 - ▶ An estimated 1500 mounds built in Tejope
 - ▶ An estimated 80% have been destroyed by agriculture and urban expansion
 - ▶ 443 Dane County Historical Markers⁴
 - ▶ 5 Rustic Roads⁵
 - ▶ <https://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/about-wisdot/newsroom/news-rel/022423rustic.aspx>

- ▶ What other opportunities exist for preservation or adaptation?

1. <https://www.wisconsinhistory.org/Records?&facets=CATEGORIES%3a%22Architecture+and+History+Inventory%22%2cCounty%3a%22Dane%22> 2. <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/nationalregister/database-research.htm> 3. <https://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/planning/documents/Native%20American%20Mounds%20in%20Madison.pdf> 4. <https://www.hmdb.org/results.asp?State=Wisconsin&Search=County&County=Dane%20County&u=> 5. <https://wisconsindot.gov/pages/travel/road/rustic-roads/maps.aspx>



Examples from Local Communities

- ▶ LaCrosse County
 - ▶ LaCrosse County [Historic Sites Preservation Committee](#)
 - ▶ <http://www.lacrossecountyhistoricsites.org/index.asp>
 - ▶ Website provide information and resources for Historic Preservation

WWW.LACROSSECOUNTYHISTORICSITES.ORG

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La Crosse County Historic Sites Preservation Commission

Hello. Welcome to the La Crosse County Historic Sites Preservation Commission website. This website serves as an educational tool to inform people on what the purpose of the Commission is in La Crosse County. The Commission is a branch of the County government that works to protect, preserve, and nominate historic sites in La Crosse County. The Commission mainly deals with properties outside the County's municipalities, but inside the townships.

If you feel you have a site or know of a site that is important to La Crosse County history, you may contact a member of the Commission, or [click here](#) to have a link to a nomination form. The Commission considers historic sites that are more than 50 years old and are considered to be important either by who designed/built it, who lived there, what it was used for, or what it can tell us about the past.

Featured properties (pictured above from left to right): Palmer-Gullickson house, Van Loon Truss Bridge, and Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Church

Click [here](#) to access the La Crosse County main website.

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WHAT IS A HISTORIC SITE?

A historic site is usually considered to be a building or archaeological site that is more than 50 years old and that is considered to be important either by who designed/built it, who lived there, what it was used for, or what it can tell us about the past.

Currently, the Commission has numerous properties listed as Historic Sites in La Crosse County.

Examples from Local Communities

- ▶ City of LaCrosse
 - ▶ Education focused public facing website
 - ▶ <https://www.cityoflacrosse.org/your-government/departments/planning-economic-development/heritage-preservation>

Heritage Preservation: Building the future, preserving the past.

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Important Links

- [Heritage Preservation Commission](#)
- [Forms and Applications](#)
- [Local Register of Historic Places](#)
- [Story Map](#)
- [National Register of Historic Places](#)

What is Heritage Preservation?

Heritage Preservation is the protection and enhancement of buildings, sites, districts, structures, objects, and significant natural features that connect a community to its past. The goals of Heritage Preservation are to support citizens in their efforts to preserve historic resources, and when necessary, to adapt them to new uses while maintaining and displaying their original character and quality.

Why should we preserve?

Cultural and historic assets are a significant part of the heritage, education and economic base of a community. Preserving the community's heritage fosters civic pride in the beauty and accomplishments of our past. Protection and enhancement of historic buildings and sites is a necessary component of the social and economic prosperity of a community. Preservation not only helps to preserve nonrenewable resources but also serves to remind ourselves, our neighbors, and our visitors of our community's

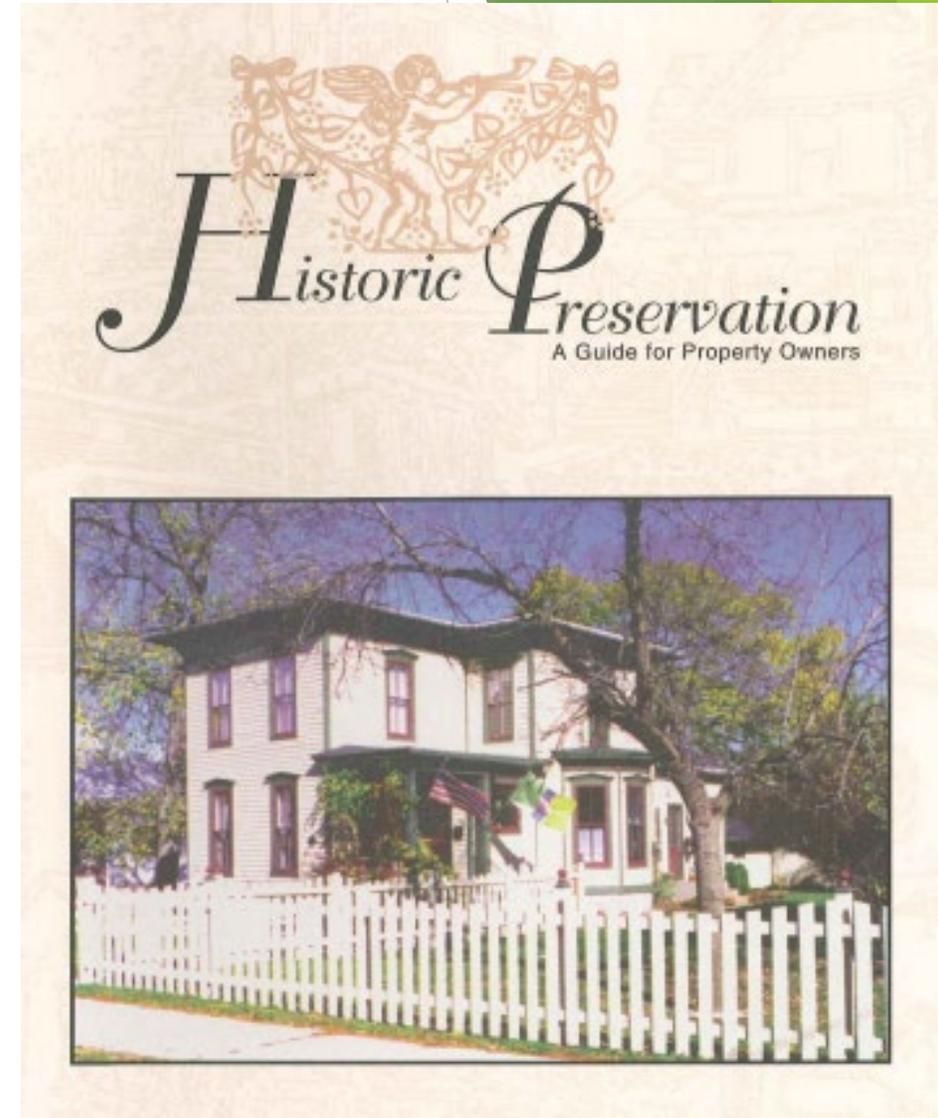
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Examples from Local Communities

- ▶ City of Beloit
 - ▶ Detailed preservation guideline as part of [city ordinance](#)
 - ▶ Additional guide for property owners interested in undertaking historic preservation efforts
 - ▶ <http://gouda.beloitwi.gov/weblink/0/doc/50691/Beloit%20Historic%20Preservation%20-%20%20A%20Guide%20for%20Property%20Owners.pdf>



Examples from Local Communities

- ▶ City of Eau Claire
 - ▶ Robust [website](#) with historic preservation guidance
 - ▶ Highly detailed Historical and Cultural Resources Plan.
 - ▶ <https://www.eauclairewi.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/36546/637650716195570000>

Historic Preservation

Background

Commission Membership

Documents and Publications

Tour Booklet (2016)

Historic Building Contractor Questionnaire

Links to Preservation Resources and Organizations

Toolkit for Town Comprehensive Plans

- ▶ Model plan language for Cultural Resources
- ▶ Best practices for town development review
- ▶ Ideas to help educate residents
- ▶ Opportunities to work with state and local historical societies
- ▶ Nominate places for local, state and federal recognition
- ▶ Markers and commemorations
- ▶ Access to grants and other financial resources for restoration and protection



Proposed ZLR Subcommittee on Cultural Resource Planning Guide

2022 ACT-338

Purpose

- ▶ Subcommittee of Zoning and Land Regulations Committee (ZLR)
- ▶ Guide overall project
- ▶ Provide diverse viewpoints and experience
- ▶ Make recommendations to ZLR and county board about future amendments to the Dane County Comprehensive Plan
- ▶ Develop guidance for town and other local governments

Subcommittee Membership

- ▶ Dane County Historical Society
- ▶ Member with expertise in cultural demographics of Dane County
- ▶ Ho-Chunk Nation Historic Preservation Office
- ▶ Division of the Arts, UW-Madison
- ▶ A Town Planning Commission
- ▶ Dane Arts



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Adoption into Dane County Comprehensive Plan

Evolution of Current Plan Guidance

- ▶ Update to Cultural Resource section of Dane County Comprehensive Plan
- ▶ Review and update periodically
- ▶ Provide guidance to town comprehensive plans adopted as part of the Dane County Comprehensive Plan

Project timeline

- ▶ March 2023:
 - ▶ Convene Steering Committee
- ▶ April 2023:
 - ▶ Conduct opinion surveys of county residents, Town planning officials
- ▶ May 2023:
- ▶ June 2023:
- ▶ July 2023:
 - ▶ Preliminary draft of Cultural Resources Planning Guide submitted to steering committee
- ▶ August 2023:
- ▶ September 2023:
 - ▶ Final draft of Cultural Resource Planning Guide recommended to ZLR
- ▶ September - December 2023:
 - ▶ County board adoption as part of Dane County Comprehensive Plan

Questions?



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