



THE DOWNTOWN ANN ARBOR HISTORICAL STREET EXHIBIT PROGRAM

A PROJECT TO SHOWCASE OUR COMMUNITY'S HISTORY

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As long time active members of the Advisory Board of the Downtown Ann Arbor Historical Street Exhibit Program, we are a representative few of the hundreds of participants who take great pride in the success of this unique program. We have kept the promise that was made twenty-five years ago to bring Ann Arbor's past to life by visually portraying our city's history and relating it to the present streetscape.

The program's success is not only measured in the national and state awards it has won, the generous financial contributions it has received from the community, or the broad citizen participation that has made it all happen. We do believe its major success is in continuing to expand the community's identity by making the past a living part of the present.

Only four more porcelain enamel wall images remain to be installed. With the help of the Ann Arbor District Library we are now expanding the use of our website, bringing hundreds of young students downtown for organized walking tours each year, and are planning to increase availability of historical walking tours to a broader section of the community in the years ahead.

This would not be possible without Ann Arbor's ownership and continued organized program of maintenance of the Historical Street Exhibit Program. We thank you.

Sincerely,

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