

## City of Tumwater Lodging Tax Final Report Form

Organization's Name: City of Tumwater

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### *This Report Covers:*

Activity Name: City of Tumwater Historic Buildings

Activity Type: ☐ Special Event/Festival ☐ Marketing/Tourism ☒ Facility  
Promotion Agency

Activity Start Date: 1/01/2021

Activity End Date: 12/31/2021

Total Activity Cost: \$60,000.00

Total amount of Tumwater lodging tax funds requested: \$60,000.00

Total amount of Tumwater lodging tax funds expended: \$60,000.00

Total amount of lodging tax funds expended from all jurisdictions: \$60,000.00

### DEFINITIONS OF METHODOLOGY FOR QUESTIONS BELOW:

This methodology is defined by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee and is used for reporting to the Legislature about the use of lodging tax for each jurisdiction.

- **Direct Count:** Actual count of visitors using methods such as paid admissions or registrations, clicker counts at entry points, vehicle counts or number of chairs filled. A direct count may also include information collected directly from businesses, such as hotels, restaurants or tour guides likely to be affected by an event.
- **Indirect Count:** Estimate based on information related to the number of visitors such as raffle tickets sold, redeemed discount certificates, brochures handed out, police requirements for crowd control or visual estimates.
- **Representative Survey:** Information collected directly from individual visitors / participants. A representative survey is a highly structured data collection tool, based on a defined random sample of participants, and the results can be reliably projected to the entire population attending an event and includes margin of error and confidence level.
- **Informal Survey:** Information collected directly from individual visitors or participants in a non-random manner that is not representative of all visitors or participants. Informal survey results cannot be projected to the entire visitor population and provide a limited indicator of attendance because not all participants had an equal chance of being included in the survey.
- **Structured Estimate:** Estimate produced by computing known information related to the event or location. For example, one jurisdiction estimated attendance by dividing the square footage of the event area by the international building code allowance for persons (3 sq. ft.).
- **Other:** (please describe)

<b>OVERALL ATTENDANCE</b>	<i>Enter the total number of people predicted to attend this activity (this number would have been submitted on your application for funds); the actual number of people who attended this activity; and the method used to determine attendance</i>	PREDICTED:	0
		ACTUAL (ESTIMATED):	0
	METHODOLOGY (definitions provided above): Direct Count		
	EXPLAIN TRACKING METHOD: Counting of Participants and visitors		
<b>50+ MILES - ATTENDANCE</b>	<i>Enter the total number of people who travelled greater than 50 miles predicted to attend this activity (this number would have been submitted on your application for funds); the actual number of people who travelled more than 50 miles to attend this activity; and the method used to determine attendance</i>	PREDICTED:	0
		ACTUAL (ESTIMATED):	0
	METHODOLOGY (definitions provided above): Direct Count		
	EXPLAIN TRACKING METHOD: Counting of Participants and visitors		
<b>OUT OF STATE / COUNTRY - ATTENDANCE</b>	<i>Enter the total number of people from outside the state and country predicted to attend this activity (this number would have been submitted on your application for funds); the actual number of people from outside the state and country who attended this activity; and the method used to determine attendance</i>	PREDICTED:	0
		ACTUAL (ESTIMATED):	0
	METHODOLOGY (definitions provided above): Direct Count		
	EXPLAIN TRACKING METHOD: Counting of Participants and visitors		
<b>PAID FOR OVERNIGHT LODGING - ATTENDANCE</b>	<i>Enter the total number of people predicted to pay for overnight lodging in Tumwater to attend this activity (this number would have been submitted on your application for funds); the actual number of people who paid for overnight lodging and attended this activity; and the method used to determine attendance</i>	PREDICTED:	0
		ACTUAL (ESTIMATED):	0
	METHODOLOGY (definitions provided above): Indirect Count		
	EXPLAIN TRACKING METHOD: Counting of Participants and visitors		
<b>DID NOT PAY FOR OVERNIGHT LODGING - ATTENDANCE</b>	<i>Enter the total number of people predicted to attend this event without paying for overnight lodging in Tumwater (you would have submitted this number on your application for funds); the actual number of people who attended without paying for overnight lodging; and the method used to determine attendance</i>	PREDICTED:	0
		ACTUAL (ESTIMATED):	0
	METHODOLOGY (definitions provided above): Indirect Count		
	EXPLAIN TRACKING METHOD: Counting of Participants and visitors		
<b>PAID LODGING NIGHTS</b>	<i>Enter total predicted lodging nights in Tumwater (this number would have been submitted on your application for funds); and actual number of paid lodging nights. (One lodging night = one or more persons occupying one room for one night); and the method used to determine attendance</i>	PREDICTED:	0
		ACTUAL (ESTIMATED):	0
	METHODOLOGY (definitions provided above): Indirect Count		
	EXPLAIN TRACKING METHOD: Counting of Participants and visitors		

Please describe any other information that demonstrates the impact of increased tourism attributable to the special event, festival, or tourism-related facility.

The City of Tumwater is well known for its historical importance as Washington's first settlement of pioneers. The maintenance and operation of the City's two historic homes and the Pioneer Cemetery is a key factor in the success of the City's history related tourism programs.

**TUMWATER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS:**

Did you experience a higher number of tourists this year? If not, what do you think was a contributing factor?

No - Due to the covid pandemic and the restrictions on public gathering, programs and events were not held in the historic district or the Pioneer Cemetery. The size and layout of the historic homes does not accommodate groups of visitors in a safe manner that would meet covid guidelines. Attendance at the Pioneer cemetery was average, but no programs were held there in 2021.

Did you complete all of the items on your Scope of Services consistent with your application submitted to the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee? If not, which items do you still need to complete? Do you plan on completing those items with your own resources? If so, when?

Yes - Building mainenance and repair continued on both historic homes and at the Pioneer Cemetery to preserve these valuable community assets.

What expenses did you pay using Tumwater Lodging Tax funds?

Expenses included materials and supplies for home repair and maintenance.

Do you plan to do anything differently next year to expand your event, increase tourism to Tumwater, or increase visitors to your facility?

The City will continue to work with the Olympia/Tumwater Foundation and we will be holding events and tourism promotions through house tours, historic exhibits and displays of the City's historic archives.