CASH RECEIPTS

Policy Number: BP # 116
Effective Date: Approved by the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Washington State Historical Society (EWSHS) on February 1, 2017.
Application: Applies to all employees, board members, volunteers and contractors of the EWSHS.
History: This is a new Board Policy and replaces HR #210, Deposit Policy.

Article I
PURPOSE
This Policy is being implemented consistent with the EWSHS’s obligation to adopt policies for handling of local cash receipts pursuant to Washington State Administrative and Accounting Manual (SAAM): Policy 85.20 Revenue and Cash Receipts, 85.24 Revenue and Cash Receipts - Illustrative Entries, 85.50 Cash.

Article II
POLICY STATEMENT
This policy contains the requirements for EWSHS’s management and handling of cash receipts including checks and money orders.

Article III
DEFINITIONS
A. Cash Receipts - Cash receipts are any moneys (e.g., checks, cash, warrants, credit or debit card amounts, IAP’s (interagency payments, or EFTs)) received by a state agency during a period regardless of when the moneys are earned.

B. Change Accounts - Accounts used solely for making change in across-the-counter cash transactions.

C. Check - A written order on a bank to pay on demand a specified sum of money to a named person, out of money on deposit to the credit of the maker. A check differs from a warrant in that the latter is not necessarily payable on demand and may not be negotiable. It also differs from a voucher in that the latter is not an order to pay.

D. Credit Card - A card entitling the holder to buy services or goods on credit.

E. Point Of Sale - An electronic payment system in a merchant location where consumers pay for retail goods and services, through the use of credit cards and/or debit cards that directly access and deduct funds from the customer’s bank account.

F. Refund - An amount paid back or credit allowed because of an over-collection or because of the return of merchandise.
Article IV

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ADMINISTRATION AND COMPLIANCE

A. Collection of Cash: The Executive Director shall ensure that collections made over the counter or in the field by EWSHS are documented by issuance of an official receipt or through cash registers or automated cashiering systems. Receipts must be issued in numeric sequence and that sequence must be strictly controlled.

B. Records of Receipts. The Executive Director will also ensure that EWSHS maintains daily cash receipt records reflecting all daily receipts by account and source. Where cash registers or automated cashiering systems are used, this can be the machine generated control tape or electronic daily transaction register. It is not necessary to issue cash receipts for remittances received through mail, but the Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer shall ensure that other internal control procedures are established to ensure proper accounting of such remittances.

C. Reconciliation: The Executive Director will ensure that receipts are counted and reconciled with cash receipt records and local account deposit slips on a daily basis. In the event of any differences between the deposits and records of receipts, the Executive Director shall ensure that such discrepancies are investigated and resolved and properly posted in the General Ledger.

D. Deposits of Cash Receipts: Generally cash receipts must be deposited intact each day for the collections of the previous day per SAAM 85.50. Local account deposits will be controlled and documented by the use of bank deposit slips.

E. Prudent Collection Processes: The Executive Director will ensure that the Museum’s receipting policies ensure the most efficient and timely collection possible and minimize the cost of collection. Consistent with SAAM, Chapter 40, EWSHS may use lock box, electronic fund transfer and with approval from OFM, credit and debit cards as receipt mechanisms to collect amounts due to the agency.

F. Non-Revenue Receipts: If EWSHS receives non-revenue receipts which include, but are not limited to, recovery of expenditures, canceled warrants, refunds of forgeries, State Employee Insurance Board Insurance premium refunds, undistributed receipts, and interagency reimbursements, such amounts will be classified and recorded as non-revenue receipts in the General Ledger.

G. Undistributed Receipts: If there is difficulty in determining an account and source, EWSHS will seek permission from the Office of State Treasurer to deposit those receipts into Account 01R “Undistributed Receipts.” When the source and account is identified, a Journal Voucher document must be submitted to Office of the State Treasurer transferring the funds from Account 01R to the proper account.

H. Receipts Placed in Suspense: If daily receipts are identifiable by account, but cannot be immediately allocated to a specific revenue source, the transaction can be credited to the applicable account and classified as Revenue Source 0920 “Items Placed in Suspense.” Efforts will then be made to determine the proper revenue source code, and to clear the Revenue Source Code 0920 which shall have a zero balance at the end of the year.
I. **Refunds of Revenue:** If event fees or other payments collected and deposited by the Museum are subsequently determined to be erroneous or excessive, the Museum may refund the overpayment in accordance with RCW 43.88.170 and 43.01.072 through 43.01.075. No refund shall be authorized where the amount is two dollars or less unless demand for the refund is made within six months of the overpayment.

J. **Subsidiary Records:** Subsidiary records are to be used to record actual and estimated revenues by account and revenue resource such records are to balance with general ledger control accounts.

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CASH RECEIPTS ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

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History: This is a new Administrative Procedure.

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Article II
POLICY

A. The procedures in this administrative procedure do not override the policies and procedures in SAAM. SAAM governs the local cash receipts policies and procedures if there are any conflicts between this administrative procedure and SAAM.

B. The Executive Director has ultimate responsibility to maintain proper process for local cash receipts.

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**Article IV**

**PROCEDURE**

A. Cash receipts are collected as charged for photocopying and reimbursement for limited supplies.

B. The Fiscal Analyst, Visitor Services staff, Store Manager, Archivist and Member Services Representative collect cash receipts for services or supplies provided and then gives a pre-numbered, dated, itemized and signed receipt to the recipient of the services or supplies. In addition to the Fiscal Analyst, Visitor Services staff, Store Manager, Archivist and Member Services Representative, a second staff member initials and dates the receipt.

C. All cash receipts are immediately placed and kept in a locked safe by the Fiscal Analyst. Only the Fiscal Analyst and the Chief Financial Officer have access to the safe.

D. Cash receipts for deposit in local accounts, established pursuant to RCW 43.88.195 or other statutory provision, are to be deposited intact each day for the collections of the preceding day unless (SAAM 85.50.20.a):
   i. A specific written waiver is granted by the Office of Financial Management, or
   ii. Total cash receipts on hand (exclusive of change accounts) are under $500. However regardless of the amount on hand, local account receipts are to be deposited weekly.

E. Local funds are to be deposited in public depositaries located in the state of Washington. (SAAM 85.50.20.b)

F. Deposits are credited to the appropriate Museum account and object code of payment.

G. The Fiscal Analyst prepares a credit memo itemizing the amount and object code of payments. The credit memo is listed on the EWSHS’s A45 transmittal record and reflected in the EWSHS’s voucher log and ledger.