FACT SHEET

King Street Station Restoration Goals

- Restore King Street Station's historic character and identity
- Upgrade facilities to meet present and future needs for rail and transit passenger travel
- Enhance passenger safety and security
- Encourage economic development and self-sufficiency
- Promote sustainable design with a LEED Platinum building certification
- Support efforts to transform King Street Station into a major multimodal transportation hub

King Street Station Improvements

- Replace existing roof with original terra cotta tile roof - COMPLETED
- Repair lighting and remove microwave dish on clock tower - COMPLETED
- Restore terminal interior finishes and exterior building façade
- Remove suspended tiles from lobby to restore original ornate ceiling
- Complete building seismic and structural upgrades

Cost & Financing

- $10 M from the City of Seattle's Bridging the Gap Levy
- $40 M from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), the Washington State Historical Society, the South Downtown Foundation and 4Culture.

Schedule

- City of Seattle acquired King Street Station from BNSF first quarter 2008
- Replacement of station roof, removal of microwave dish and repairs to tower clocks completed third quarter 2009
- Jackson Plaza structural rebuild, new Amtrak administration and operation space and ground-source heat pump mechanical system installation completed third quarter 2011
- Additional station seismic structural upgrade and restoration of historic features begin first quarter 2012

About King Street Station

- Built by Great Northern Railway and Northern Pacific Railway
- Opened to passenger service in May 1906
- Station’s 245’ clock tower was modeled after Campanile di San Marco in Venice, Italy
- Was the tallest building in Seattle until Smith Tower was completed in 1914
- Placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973
- Presently served by Amtrak trains, Sounder commuter rail and Amtrak Thruway Motorcoach
- Over 4 million passenger boardings at King Street Station in 2010