

Downtown Redding Historical Walking Tour

Redding sits on the homelands of the El-Pom Wintu people.

1. Frisbie House

(1887)

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Third oldest wooden building in Redding built for Edward Frisbie's wife Laura. Served as a boarding house in later years and now houses office suites.

2. IOOF Building

Oldest remaining brick structure in Redding.

3. AME Zion Church

(1894)

The oldest remaining church in Shasta County.

4. Sherven Square

In continuous use for commercial purposes. Work on the second story began in 1916.

5. Lorenz Hotel

(1901)

(1896)

Third-oldest remaining brick structure in Redding. The original hotel had 132 rooms. Now mixed-use and senior housing.

6. Bank of Shasta County (1902)

Currently used commercially.

7. Shasta Historical Society (1902)

Various businesses until 1995 when the Historical Society moved in.

8. Old City Hall

(1907)

An arts center since 1985, this served as Redding's City Hall until 1979. Check out the palm trees, planted 1908.

9. Garibaldi House

(1910)

Originally built as a saloon and hotel in the red light district. Converted to housing in 1920s. Currently used commercially.

10. Empire Hotel (1918)

Originally built as Columbus Hotel, the first alcohol recovery program was run by the bartender.

11. The Pine Street School (1922)

Built in Mediterranean Revival style and used as a school until 1967. Now a commercial plaza.

12. Train Depot

(1923)

The railroad named the town Redding to honor its first railroad land agent Benjamin B. Redding. Today Amtrak uses the platform.

13. Hotel Redding (1927)

A hotel until 2000, now senior housing operated along with the Lorenz.

14. Cascade Theatre

Art Deco architecture. First air-conditioned building in Redding. Restored in 2004 to a performing arts theater.

15. Jack's (1935) Famouse steakhouse and the oldest bar in Redding. Started by Jack Young in 1938. Brothel upstairs until 1940s.

16. Post Office

(1936)

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Product of FDR's New Deal Program, and still used as a post office.

17. Fire House (1939) Built as part of the New Deal. A fire pole here is still in use.

18. Veterans' Hall (1939) Built as part of the New Deal and used for community gatherings today.

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