

SOUTHERN RAILWAY COMBINED DEPOT
(Belton Depot)
West side, Belton Public Square
Belton
Anderson County
South Carolina

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE South Carolina	COUNTY Anderson	TOWN OR VICINITY Belton
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Southern Railway Combined Depot (NR nomination)		HABS NO. SC-621
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Belton Depot (preferred)		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Located at the west side of the Public Square		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) c. 1910 (NR nomination)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Southern Railway Office of Chief Engineer, Washington, DC (NR nomination)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The Belton Depot is significant for its historical association with the railroad's role in the development of Belton. It was built by the Southern Railway around 1910, a time of rapid growth for the South Carolina Railroad industry. A focal point of downtown Belton, it virtually *		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick (masonry)		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular (43' by 179' approximately)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Tin shingle hip roof, 7' flared eaves supported by 36 massive wooden diagonal brackets, front facade contains bay on lower level for telegraph and dispatcher's office, 2 interior chimney stacks.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) High narrow-beaded wainscoting with chair rail and wide baseboard, brick walls on front, rear walls, and freight room, wood board walls on express room's and baggage room's walls, board floors.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Removal of all but small section on the front facade of an 8' wide platform in late 1950s.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Good condition; now houses a public library, a museum, and the South Carolina Tennis Hall of Fame.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Listed in National Register 8/13/79		
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* defines the west side of the public square. The Southern Railway Combined Depot, generally referred to as the Belton Depot, is also architecturally significant as an example of the prevailing turn of the century genre for depot design.

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