



## William G. Pomeroy Foundation Grant Criteria

### Purpose

The William G. Pomeroy Foundation strongly believes that historical markers are important to local historic preservation by educating the public and fostering historic tourism. To that end, the Pomeroy Foundation offers grants to fund the full cost of one standard Ohio Historical Marker (up to \$3,040). Up to twenty such grants are available during this application cycle.

Ten grants will be awarded to markers in the following Ohio counties: **Ashland, Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Erie, Geauga, Huron, Lake, Lorain, Mahoning, Medina, Meigs, Ottawa, Portage, Sandusky, Seneca, Summit, Trumbull, Wayne.** Ten additional grants will be awarded to markers in the remaining 70 counties of the state.

### How to Apply

Simply indicate your interest by checking beside "Check if applying for funding through the William G. Pomeroy Foundation" on your marker application. No additional application is required.

### Award Criteria

A. To be considered for a Pomeroy Foundation Grant:

- The person, place, event, or thing being commemorated must have a period of significance that falls between the years 1800 and 1900.  
*An individual who was born in 1899 but rose to prominence in the 1930s would not qualify. A person born in 1880 and active in 1899 (and on into the 20th century) would qualify. The same is true at the other end of the century. An event or era that begins in the late 1700s and continues into the 1800s would qualify.*

B. The William G. Pomeroy Foundation will also fund markers that designate properties or districts on the National Register of Historic Places.

- The National Register-listed property must be owned by a government entity or a non-profit organization.
- Properties that are listed as contributing structures in National Register districts are also eligible, so long as they meet the other eligibility requirements of this section.
- In the case of a National Register-listed property, the requirement that they fall within period of 1800-1900 does **NOT** apply. *For example, if the district or property's period of significance is the 1910s, the property or district shall be eligible for this grant.*
- Properties under private ownership or commercial properties are not eligible for this grant. National Register Districts, however, that include some, but not exclusively private and/or commercial properties shall be eligible.

**To be eligible, your historical marker has to meet condition A or B but NOT BOTH.**

### Notification

Applicants will be notified within 90 days of the application deadline.

### Please Note

Applicants who do not receive grant funding but are offered a space in the marker program may proceed with their marker if willing to pay the full cost. Additionally, any costs above the \$3,040 grant are the responsibility of the applicant.

### Questions?

Please contact Laura Russell in Local History Services by phoning 614-297-2360 or emailing [lrussell@ohiohistory.org](mailto:lrussell@ohiohistory.org).

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