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 $3,585). Up to ten (10) such grants are available during this application cycle.

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 NEW
The criteria for a William G. Pomeroy Foundation Award match those of the marker program:

- Be associated with events in Ohio that have made a significant contribution to broad patterns of local, state, national, or international history or pre-history;
- Be associated with Ohio-born or Ohio-based persons no longer living whose lives are historically significant or who have made significant contributions to patterns of history and culture;
- For buildings, structures, and “things,” embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, style, period, method of construction, architecture, or represent the work of a master;
- Embody characteristics of the state representing significant aspects of the physical or natural history of the earth and its life;
- The significant event or accomplishment happened at least 30 years prior. For example: An person may have died 5 years ago but her major action/accomplishment occurred 30 years prior to the date the application is submitted.

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 $3,585 grant are the responsibility of the applicant.

Questions?
Please contact Laura Russell in the Ohio Markers Program by phoning 614-297-2360 or emailing lrussell@ohiohistory.org.

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