

The Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board Grants

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OHRAB Activities:

- History Day Award
- Archival Achievement Award
- Electronic Records Training
- Reviews NHPRC Grant Applications
- Administers a Regrant Program



NHPRC Access to Historical Records Grants: Archival Projects



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- Grants are for projects that ensure online public discovery and use of historical records collections.
- Grants are up to \$100,000.
- Requires 25% match
- Grants are for one or two years.



NHPRC Access to Historical Records: Major Initiatives

- Grants are for projects that will significantly improve the public discovery and use of major historical records collections.
- The NHPRC encourages collaborative projects for this grant.
- Grants are between \$100,000 and \$350,000.
- Requires 50% match.
- Grants are for one to three years.
- Preliminary Application is due January 17, 2019.
- Final Application is due July 11, 2019.



NHPRC Public Engagement with Historical Records Grants



- Grants are for projects that encourage public engagement with historical records, such as citizen archivist programs.
- Grants are between \$50,000 and \$150,000.
- Requires 50% match.
- Grants are for one to three years.

Ohio Archives Grants Program: State and National Archives Partnership Grants



- “SNAP” Grants are available to archival institutions to fund projects to preserve and/or provide access to Ohio’s historical records.
- Grants are between \$500 and \$5000.
- Requires a 1:1 in-kind match.
- Grants are for the calendar year.



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- “SNAP” Grants are open to public and private institutions
- **BUT:**
 - Resources must be made available to researchers *at no charge* on a regular schedule
 - Cannot be a Federally-funded repository



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What types of projects can be funded:

Access, Arrangement, and Description: Identifying, organizing, and improving access to historical records

Examples: processing collections (organizing, inventory, etc), creating & publishing finding aids, etc.



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What types of projects can be funded:

Preservation: Acquiring archival storage supplies, environmental monitors & controls, conservation, etc.

Examples: Purchasing boxes & folders, dehumidifiers, dataloggers, hygrothermographs, HEPA vacuums, etc.



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What types of projects can be funded:

Website Development: Adding collections to an online catalog, developing virtual archives, creating an online database

Note: Websites designed to support access to researchers (rather than, e.g., curated web exhibits) will receive preference



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What types of projects can be funded:

Assessment and Strategic Planning: Hiring consultants to identify needs and priorities for improving the organization, description, preservation, and access to collections

If you need professional advice and planning, funding may be available



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Tips for success:

- ***Make sure the project is doable and sustainable***
 - *Time*
 - *Resources*
 - *Staffing/Experience*
 - *Using sound archival practices (or seeking advice from archivists)*



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Tips for success:

- ***Historical Records Only***
 - *No funding for artifacts*

“The purpose of a record – to convey information – never changes over its lifespan. The purpose of an artifact is to convey some aspect about a previous era in and of itself.”



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Tips for success:

- ***Be sure that the resources requested will be suitable for the project (and possibly beyond)***
 - *Avoid requesting more (or less) than is needed*
 - *Choose the best and most efficient methods (e.g., do you need to digitize everything? Would contracted services be better than equipment purchase? Etc.)*



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How to Apply:

- Announcements will be posted on social media & other online sites
- www.ohrab.org



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