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New Historic Marker Grant Program Celebrates Transportation Canal History Nationwide

William G. Pomeroy Foundation® Now Accepting Grant Applications for Historic Canal Markers

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — The William G. Pomeroy Foundation is helping people in communities across the country commemorate historically significant canals with the launch of its national Historic Transportation Canals Marker Grant Program designed to promote cultural tourism and commemorate transportation canal history.

The Pomeroy Foundation is a private, grant-making foundation based in Syracuse, N.Y. One of its main initiatives is helping people celebrate their community's history through a variety of historic signage grant programs, including its new historic canals marker program.

"This is a wonderful time to pay tribute to canals. In New York State, we've been celebrating the bicentennial period for the Erie Canal and last year was the 100th anniversary of the state's Barge Canal," said Paula Miller, Executive Director of the Pomeroy Foundation. "Similarly, all across the country, canals have long been an important factor in enhancing commerce, travel and development. Communities want to commemorate their historical significance. Our new Historic Transportation Canals program creates the perfect opportunity to do just that with historic markers."

Markers proposed for the [Historic Transportation Canals Marker Grant Program](#) must commemorate a historical canal fact that occurred more than 50 years from the year of the grant application. Currently, that year is 1969. Markers in this program will be installed near existing or former canal sites. The colors of the canal markers are blue with black lettering and border. There are two unique logos that applicants can choose from. Markers are 18" x 32" cast aluminum with a 7' aluminum pole.

Canal marker grants are available to 501(c)(3) organizations, nonprofit academic institutions, and municipalities within the U.S. Grants for this program cover the entire cost of a marker, pole, and shipping. There is no cost to the grant recipient. For program guidelines and details on how to apply, visit the Foundation's [Historic Transportation Canals Marker Grant Program webpage](#). The letter of intent deadline is April 17, 2019, and the grant application deadline is May 15, 2019.

About the Pomeroy Foundation

The William G. Pomeroy Foundation is a private foundation established in 2005. The Foundation is committed to supporting the celebration and preservation of community history; and to raising awareness, supporting research and improving the quality of care for patients and their families who are facing a blood cancer diagnosis. To date, the Foundation has awarded nearly 800 grants for historic signage in New York State and beyond. Visit: wgpfoundation.org

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