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Grants Available Nationwide for Historic Markers Celebrating Transportation Canals
William G. Pomeroy Foundation® Now Accepting Canal Marker Grant Applications Online

SYRACUSE, N.Y. – The next grant round of the William G. Pomeroy Foundation’s Historic Transportation Canal Marker Grant Program officially opens today, Friday, Sept. 4.

This roadside marker program commemorates the historical significance of transportation canals in the United States. Grants cover the entire cost of a cast aluminum marker, pole and shipping.

Canal marker grants are available to 501(c)(3) organizations, nonprofit academic institutions, and local, state and federal government entities within the United States. Often, municipal historians or local historical organizations (or related nonprofits) will apply for a marker on behalf of a property owner.

Those interested in applying for a marker grant should submit an online Letter of Intent to verify primary sources by Friday, Oct. 16. Primary source documentation is necessary to support the text on a marker. The final application deadline is Monday, Nov. 16.

Canal markers must be installed near an existing or former canal site and recognize a historical fact that occurred more than 50 years before the year of the grant application. Currently that year is 1970.

The colors of the markers in this program are light blue with black trim and lettering. Grant applicants have the option of selecting between two canal-themed logos.

To apply for a grant or review application guidelines, visit the Foundation’s historic canals webpage: https://www.wgpfoundation.org/history/historic-canals/

About the Pomeroy Foundation
The William G. Pomeroy Foundation is a private, grant-making 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 over 1,100 roadside markers and plaques nationwide. Visit: https://www.wgpfoundation.org/

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