



OHRAB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2021

Celebrate Archives Month by Honoring the Accomplishments of an Ohio Archival Institution

The Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board Achievement Award recognizes significant accomplishments in preserving and improving access to historical records, in any format, by an Ohio archival institution.

All Ohio institutions responsible for archival records that provide public access to at least a portion of their collections are eligible. Eligible accomplishments include recent special projects or on-going programs that:

- 🔗 build significant collections
- 🔗 implement successful preservation strategies
- 🔗 enhance access to archives
- 🔗 develop effective digitization programs

Preference will be given to projects or programs that can be adapted for use by other institutions.

Because the award recognizes institutional achievements, individuals are not eligible. Departments employing members of OHRAB are not eligible, but other departments in their institutions are eligible.

Nominating letters should be no longer than two pages, 12-pt, single spaced, describing the institution's program/project along with its goals, accomplishments, and significance. Each must include the nominee's institutional name along with a contact person's name, mailing and email addresses, and phone number.

Send nominations via email or U.S. mail to:

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Nominations must be received by November 12, 2021.

Self-nominations are encouraged.

Questions? Contact Tina Ratcliff at ratcliff@mcoho.org or 937.496.6932

Need ideas? Check out the award winners on the other side of this sheet.

The Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board is the central body for historical records planning in the state. Board members represent Ohio's public and private archives, records offices, and research institutions.

<http://www.ohrab.org>



OHRAB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD WINNERS

Previous OHRAB Archives Achievement Award Winners

2020

The Clark County Historical Society for its fortitude in saving the Society's collections from a flood and their resulting commitment to teaching others about the necessity of disaster planning and preparedness.

The Toledo Lucas County Public Library for its continuing efforts to preserve the Library's vast architectural records collection and making it accessible through the Architecture of Northwest Ohio digital library.

2019

The City of Westlake Council Office for its dedication to preserving the history and the records of the City of Westlake and making them available to its citizens and future generations.

The Lakewood Historical Society for the creation of the Haber Family Center for History, where the Society's archival collections are now preserved and available to all.

2018

Licking County Records Center and Archives for its commitment to expanding access to Ohio's public records through its outreach activities and the development of its new records center facility.

Warren County Records Center and Archives for its work furthering the digital accessibility of Ohio records by processing, indexing, digitizing and uploading historic Warren County records to its website.

2017

Franklin County Children Services for its project inventorying and cataloging a large volume of historical records documenting the history of the agency.

2016

Greene County Records Center and Archives for its innovative program taking records into classrooms to develop students' research and analytical skills while fostering an appreciation for local history.

Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Library and Archives for public programming that fosters and promotes to a large and diverse audience the spirit of preserving history through its collections.

Nominees for the Achievement Award represented small towns and large cities; public and private institutions; universities, historical societies, and records centers; and a full range of historic records—maps, photographs, marriage, birth, death, and estate records, and more. Common to all their successes were collaboration, determination, creativity, and a passionate commitment to the preservation and expanded use of Ohio's historic records. Clearly, Ohio's historic records community is achieving admirable results.

More information on the award and previous winners at <http://www.ohrab.org> or contact Awards Committee Chair Tina Ratcliff at ratcliff@mcoho.org.