

Role and Overview

The Ohio Historical Society (OHS) is a non-profit corporation chartered by the State of Ohio to promote knowledge of Ohio’s history. Funds are appropriated to the society by the General Assembly and Governor to carry out certain public functions prescribed by law (ORC 149.3). They include administering the state historical museum, library, and the State Archives of Ohio, as well as maintaining and operating 58 historic sites and museums that encompass nearly 5,000 acres and over 300 buildings and structures throughout the state. The society also houses the State Historic Preservation Office, which manages responsibilities delegated to the state by Congress in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

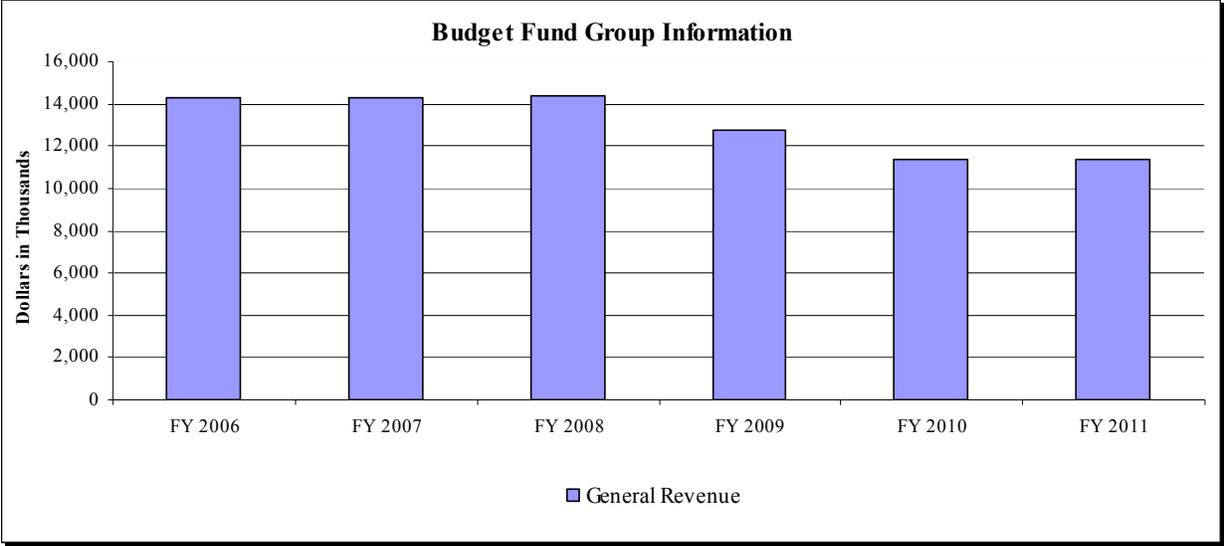
The society is governed by a 21-member Board of Trustees, nine of which are appointed by the Governor. It employs an executive director and approximately 250 full-time equivalent employees. State funding provides approximately 60 percent of the society’s total annual operating budget. Contracts, grants, private contributions, and earned revenue comprise the other 38 percent. Earned revenue consists primarily of membership, admissions and parking fees, merchandise sales, and library and research services. Operating funding from the state totals approximately \$12.7 million in fiscal year 2009.

More information regarding the Ohio Historical Society is available at <http://www.ohiohistory.org/>.

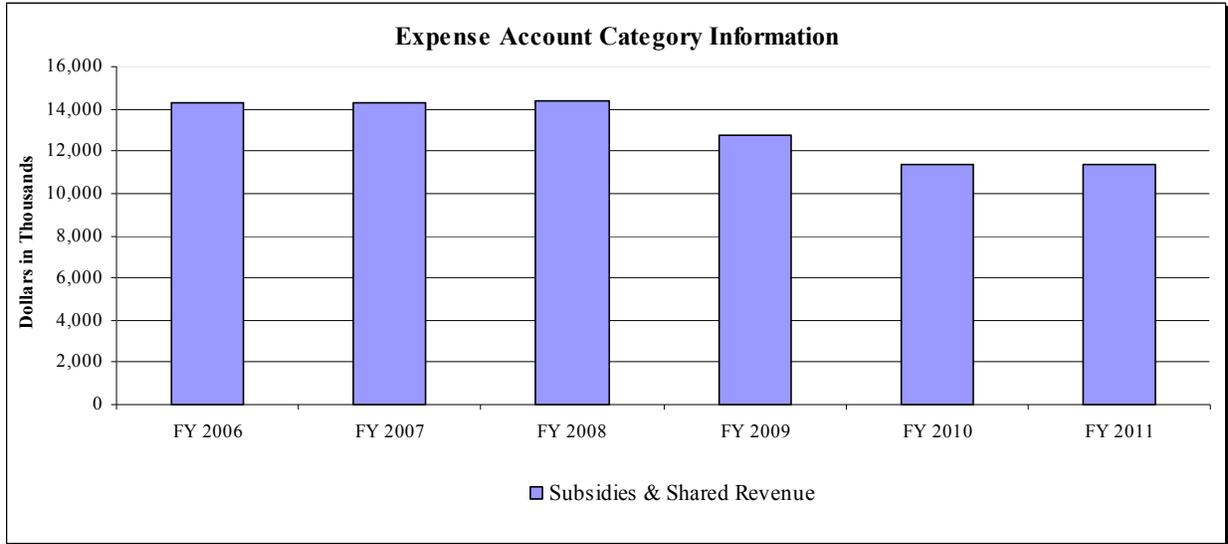
Agency Priorities

- Preserve the state’s system of historic sites and museums statewide as well as access to documents and artifacts that record the history of Ohio through the State Archives, Collections Services, and Research Library in Columbus.
- Build upon the success of educational outreach, teacher training programs, technical services and partnerships with other organizations to strengthen history instruction and services around the state.
- Provide school-aged children with the highest quality informal history learning experiences that serve as companion elements to formal education programs, ensuring educational excellence.
- Create opportunities for civic engagement through history education, historic preservation, heritage tourism, special programs and research in ways that promote a better quality of life for Ohioans.

Summary of Budget History and Recommendations



(In Thousands) BUDGET FUND GROUP	ACTUAL			EST.	%	RECOMMENDED			%
	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 08-09	FY 2010	CHANGE	FY 2011	CHANGE
General Revenue	14,320	14,295	14,397	12,724	-11.6	11,332	-10.9	11,332	0.0
TOTAL	14,320	14,295	14,397	12,724	-11.6	11,332	-10.9	11,332	0.0



(In Thousands) EXPENSE ACCOUNT CATEGORY	ACTUAL			EST.	%	RECOMMENDED			%
	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 08-09	FY 2010	CHANGE	FY 2011	CHANGE
Subsidies & Shared Revenue	14,320	14,295	14,397	12,724	-11.6	11,332	-10.9	11,332	0.0
TOTAL	14,320	14,295	14,397	12,724	-11.6	11,332	-10.9	11,332	0.0

PROGRAM SERIES 01: Ohio Historical Society

This program series includes all operations of the society as mandated in the Ohio Revised Code. The Ohio Historical Society provides direction, identity, education, and enlightenment to improve people's lives today and in the future. To do this, the society collects, preserves, interprets, provides access to, and fosters an appreciation of the evidence and the experience of the past in Ohio and elsewhere. It's mission is to help "people connect with Ohio's past in order to understand the present and create a better future."

Program 01.01: Education and Historical Collections

This program provides historical collections care and maintenance, including the State Archives. The collections, both two- and three-dimensional materials, provide the "real stuff" of history to OHS educational programs. This program area fosters the development and delivery of online and multi-media educational content, including Ohio History Central and distance learning. Further, this program is responsible for services geared toward serving lifelong learners such as research for and development of exhibits, public and school programs for statewide audiences.

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

- Provide access to existing government records, including State Archives and physical collections;
- Offer workshops to groups such as local government and genealogists, archivists and archaeologists; and
- Provide education programs to 20,000 students and deliver distance learning programs to 6,500 students and teachers.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2010	FY 2011
GRF	GRF	360501	Operating Subsidy	3,291,754	3,291,754
GRF	GRF	360508	Historical Grants	600,600	600,600
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				3,892,354	3,892,354

Program 01.02: Sites and Museums Operations

This program supports the operations and maintenance of 56 of the 58 historic sites and museums administered by the Ohio Historical Society across the state. This is the largest collection of state-administered historic sites and museums in the country. The network preserves sites of international, national, statewide and local significance and includes sites and museums which highlight the archaeological, historical and natural history of the state. These sites attract visitors from across the country and around the world, contributing to Ohio's economy through heritage tourism. These sites and museums provide learning opportunities for students, families and adults. Many are supported through volunteer efforts.

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

- Ensure the preservation of the historic sites administered by the Ohio Historical Society;
- Develop partnerships with local community groups to provide access to the sites; and
- Support local historical organizations with marketing, collections care, and other services.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2010	FY 2011
GRF	GRF	360502	Site Operations	5,415,927	5,415,927
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				5,415,927	5,415,927

Program 01.03: Outreach and Statewide Partnerships

This program is a new focus area that emphasizes the capacity-building effects of promoting state and local history efforts and organizations throughout the state. The Ohio Historical Society's teacher outreach unit and its Local History Office, which coordinates services to local history organizations, are being combined to make up this program area in order to improve service delivery to other history organizations as well as schools and other educational entities. Ohio boasts nearly 1,000 history-related organizations and 753 public school districts with nearly 118,000 teachers. Educational outreach programs in this program area include National History Day in Ohio, the Congressional Academy for Students of American History and Civics Education (federally funded), the case history program geared for K-12 (teachers can borrow traveling cases of social studies curriculum support materials through this initiative), the Buckeye Council for History Education and professional development training for teachers. A statewide effort to coordinate Civil War Sesquicentennial activities (2011-2015) would also be provided through this program.

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

- Host conferences and regional meetings that assist the efforts of over 400 local history organizations;
- Coordinate National History Day in Ohio providing hands-on history experiences for over 8,500 students; and
- Support teachers by conducting professional development experiences for more than 500 teachers.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2010	FY 2011
GRF	GRF	360509	Outreach And Partnership	703,638	703,638
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				703,638	703,638

Program 01.04: Historic Preservation Office

This program manages responsibilities delegated to the state by Congress in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. It helps provide citizens in virtually every community in Ohio with a sense of place and personal identity by helping to preserve structures and landscapes that connect 21st-century Ohioans with their heritage. It also helps facilitate job creation through economic development made possible by federal and state historic tax credits for the rehabilitation of historical structures. Under the Ohio Historic Preservation Tax Credit to date, 89 approved applications for more than \$200 million in tax credits in 23 different cities are leveraging \$1.1 billion in private redevelopment funding and federal tax credits. Ohio has more than 3,600 individual listings on the National Register of Historic Places documenting over 60,000 properties – the third highest of any state in the country.

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

- Review over 300 tax credit applications per year for Standards of Rehabilitation;
- Assess over 6,500 federally-funded projects each year for their impact on historic resources;
- List an additional 35 properties in the National Register of Historic Places; and
- Administer 20 federal grants to Certified Local Governments.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2010	FY 2011
GRF	GRF	360504	Ohio Preservation Office	326,066	326,066
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				326,066	326,066

Program 01.05: National Afro-American Museum

This program supports the National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center (NAAMCC) in Wilberforce, Ohio. The NAAMCC, which opened to the public in 1988, educates the public about African-American history and culture, particularly in the Northwest Territory as established in 1787. Initially intended as a national museum, the NAAMCC more recently changed its emphasis to focus more on African-American history in Ohio and the surrounding region by partnering with other Ohio institutions. Its collections include art, manuscripts, documents, books and three-dimensional objects collected over the past 20 years.

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

- Offer access to permanent and temporary exhibitions, *From Victory to Freedom: Afro-American Life in the Fifties* as well as *African-American Dolls: The Stories They Tell*; and
- Provide tours and programs to schools and general public, both in-class and in the field.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2010	FY 2011
GRF	GRF	360505	Afro-American Museum	592,568	592,568
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				592,568	592,568

Program 01.06: Hayes Presidential Center

This program is responsible for providing funds for the operation of the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center in Fremont, Ohio. The Hayes Presidential Center was the nation's first presidential library and museum. Its mission is to educate the public about Rutherford B. Hayes, the Gilded Age, the presidency, Ohio history and leadership. The Center receives approximately one-third of its funding from the State of Ohio. This state-owned facility is one of the 58 historic sites and museums that make up the OHS network. It is operated by Hayes Presidential Center, Inc., under an agreement with OHS.

The Executive Recommendation will fund the following objectives:

- Allow site visits for over 17,000 people each year; and
- Maintain the Hayes Presidential Center website, serving 1.3 million visitors each month.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2010	FY 2011
GRF	GRF	360506	Hayes Presidential Center	401,490	401,490
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				401,490	401,490

Appropriation Line Item Analysis for Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011

Line Item Restructuring Analysis

Line item 360501 will be called "Education and Collections" to reflect a restructuring to align line items to programs in a one-to-one format. This line will include the State Archives which was formerly included in 360502.

Line item 360509 will be created and called "Outreach and Partnerships." This will be aligned with Program 1.03 "Outreach and Statewide Partnerships."

To illustrate changes in funding levels due to this restructuring, estimated FY 2009 spending in the following table is converted from the previous line-item structure to the current line-item structure.

			Estimated	Recommended			
Fund	ALI	ALI Title	FY 2009	FY 2010	% Change	FY 2011	% Change
GRF	360501	Education and Collections	3,885,417	3,291,754	-15.3%	3,291,754	0.0%
GRF	360502	Site and Museum Operations	7,334,174	5,415,928	-26.2%	5,415,928	0.0%
GRF	360509	Outreach and Partnerships	688,427	703,638	2.2%	703,638	0.0%

LINE ITEM SUMMARY - Ohio Historical Society

FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2006 ACTUAL	FY 2007 ACTUAL	FY 2008 ACTUAL	FY 2009 ESTIMATE	FY 2010 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE	FY 2011 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
GRF	360501	Education and Collections	3,288,274	3,288,274	3,576,259	3,406,394	3,291,754	-3.4	3,291,754	0.0
GRF	360502	Site and Museum Operations	8,388,725	8,388,725	8,331,745	7,153,984	5,415,927	-24.3	5,415,927	0.0
GRF	360504	Historic Preservation	281,041	281,041	409,166	365,442	326,066	-10.8	326,066	0.0
GRF	360505	Afro-American Museum	754,884	754,884	739,786	664,129	592,568	-10.8	592,568	0.0
GRF	360506	Hayes Presidential Center	509,231	509,231	504,037	452,490	401,490	-11.3	401,490	0.0
GRF	360508	Historical Grants	1,097,500	1,072,500	835,940	681,827	600,600	-11.9	600,600	0.0
GRF	360509	Outreach and Partnership	0	0	0	0	703,638	.0	703,638	0.0
TOTAL General Revenue			14,319,655	14,294,655	14,396,933	12,724,266	11,332,043	-10.9	11,332,043	0.0
TOTAL Ohio Historical Society			14,319,655	14,294,655	14,396,933	12,724,266	11,332,043	-10.9	11,332,043	0.0