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LBO Analysis of Enacted Budget

Ohio History Connection

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Ohio History Connection

Quick look...

- The Ohio History Connection (OHC) is a state-chartered nonprofit corporation dedicated to the preservation, interpretation, and study of Ohio’s history.
- OHC’s governing body is a board of trustees composed of 21 members and 13 ex officio members.
- The budget provides funding of \$21.3 million in FY 2024 and \$20.8 million in FY 2025.
 - The FY 2024 GRF appropriation is an increase of 37.1%, or \$5.7 million, over the FY 2023 spending level of \$15.4 million.
 - GRF funding increases are largely attributed to new funding for UNESCO World Heritage Sites and the Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial.
- The appropriated funds are released to OHC in quarterly subsidy payments.

Fund Group	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
General Revenue Fund	\$15,639,076	\$15,399,076	\$21,117,000	\$20,604,000
Dedicated Purpose Fund	\$110,000	\$157,000	\$160,000	\$160,000
Federal Fund	\$557,507	\$613,287	\$0	\$0
Total	\$16,306,583	\$16,169,363	\$21,277,000	\$20,764,000
% change	--	-0.8%	31.6%	-2.4%
<i>GRF % change</i>	--	-1.5%	37.1%	-2.4%

Agency overview

The Ohio History Connection (OHC) is a state-chartered nonprofit corporation dedicated to the preservation, interpretation, and study of Ohio’s history. OHC houses the State Historic Preservation Office, which is the state’s lead entity for federal historic preservation programs delegated to the state through the National Preservation Act, the official state archives, and a local history office, and manages more than 50 sites and museums across Ohio.

OHC is governed by a board of trustees consisting of 21 members, as well as 13 ex officio members that include members of state history groups, legislative leaders, and the Governor. The appropriations provided in the state budget are intended to serve as operational support for OHC and funds are released to OHC in quarterly subsidy payments.

OHC’s collection comprises two million artifacts and specimens and 107,365 cubic feet of manuscripts, documents, photographs, and government archival records. Collections are from all 88 counties across Ohio, and the government records include all of the records of the state’s agencies, boards, and commissions, as well as the records of all political subdivisions, including counties, townships, municipalities, school districts, and special taxing districts.

Analysis of FY 2024-FY 2025 budget

Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission (ALI 360400)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360400, Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission					
\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$985,000	\$840,000
% change	--	--	0.0%	392.5%	-14.7%

This line item funds operating expenses of the Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission, which S.B. 310 of the 133rd General Assembly created. Funding supports the operation of the Commission's office, including programming, outreach, resource acquisition, and staffing. Future costs are expected to include grant support to partner organizations and projects that support the mission of the Commission by providing opportunities to promote awareness of and to implement Holocaust and genocide education in Ohio. In addition to the required uses of funding, this line item's appropriation in FY 2024 and FY 2025 is earmarked as summarized below.

Earmark	FY 2024	FY 2025
Ohio K-12 students, or other individuals approved by the Commission to visit one of Ohio's Holocaust education and memorial museums.	\$175,000	\$175,000
Create curriculum related to Holocaust education that is specific to Ohio and made available online.	\$175,000	\$0
Support the development of teacher training courses, as well as funding to attend such courses and other approved programming from the Commission.	\$150,000	\$150,000
Recording stories and testimonials of genocide survivors living in Ohio, as well as veterans or active duty military personnel involved in operations related to eliminating genocide.	\$150,000	\$150,000
Support scholarships to attend certificate coursework in Holocaust education in partnership with Yad Vashem, Ohio colleges and universities, or one of Ohio's Holocaust educational museums.	\$75,000	\$75,000
Students, teachers, and community and university student leaders to attend educational programming that visits Holocaust sites.	\$50,000	\$50,000

Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial (ALI 360401)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360401, Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial					
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$3,000,000
% change	--	--	--	300.0%	50.0%

This line item funds operating expenses of the Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial which H.B. 110 of the 134th General Assembly created for the purpose of planning the commemoration of the 250th anniversary in 2026 of the founding of the U.S., as well as Ohio's role in U.S. history before and after receiving statehood. The Commission recently published an extensive set of recommendations for the state of Ohio to consider for the commemoration, including more than 40 programs and projects.

UNESCO World Heritage Sites (ALI 360402)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360402, UNESCO World Heritage Sites					
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$0
% change	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	--	-100.0%

This new line item supports OHC's efforts to prepare for United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) World Heritage site designation that will honor Ohio earthworks and the people who built them.

Education and Collections (ALI 360501)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360501, Education and Collections					
\$5,180,712	\$4,791,092	\$5,016,092	\$5,016,092	\$5,604,282	\$5,882,435
% change	-7.5%	4.7%	0.0%	11.7%	5.0%

This line item supports the preservation of and access to the state's collections of Ohio government records, historical documents, and artifacts. It supports educational programs, the OHC website, records digitization, and research services. The line item represents the principal funding that directly supports OHC's functions and operation of research facilities.

Site and Museum Operations (ALI 360502)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360502, Site and Museum Operations					
\$6,707,853	\$6,298,753	\$7,232,753	\$6,532,753	\$7,721,000	\$7,502,000
% change	-6.1%	14.8%	-9.7%	18.2%	-2.8%

This line item provides services and support for the state's system of historic sites and museums, including the Ohio History Center and the adjacent Ohio Village, and the facilities for storing and preserving library, archive, and artifact collections. Activities funded by this item include liaison services, curatorial and exhibit services, marketing and fundraising support, planning, capital improvements, and major maintenance. OHC provides staff to work with the 42 local organizations and other agencies that currently operate 59 of the state's historical sites and museums.

Ohio Preservation Office (ALI 360504)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360504, Ohio Preservation Office					
\$281,300	\$261,608	\$261,609	\$261,609	\$731,000	\$738,000
% change	-7.0%	0.0%	0.0%	179.4%	1.0%

This line item supports the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), a division of OHC that carries out historic preservation responsibilities under federal and state law. These functions include nominating properties for the National Register of Historic Places, maintaining inventories of historically and archaeologically significant properties, and administering historical reviews for federal Rehabilitation Tax Credit and state Historic Preservation Tax Credit programs. This line item provides a portion of the required 40% state match for the National Park Service's Historic Preservation Fund Program.

National Afro-American Museum (ALI 360505)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360505, National Afro-American Museum					
\$485,000	\$451,050	\$536,050	\$536,050	\$728,000	\$811,000
% change	-7.0%	18.8%	0.0%	35.8%	11.4%

This line item supports the National Afro-American Museum and Cultural Center (NAAMCC), located in Wilberforce, Greene County. Through collecting and preserving relevant materials and using them as the basis for a variety of programs, exhibitions, research, and

publications, the NAAMCC educates the public about African-American history and culture, with an emphasis on Ohio history.

Hayes Presidential Center (ALI 360506)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360506, Hayes Presidential Center					
\$550,000	\$511,500	\$572,880	\$572,880	\$750,000	\$750,000
% change	-7.0%	12.0%	0.0%	30.9%	0.0%

This line item subsidizes the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center in Fremont, Sandusky County. The Center includes the Hayes residence (Spiegel Grove), a library, a museum, and the tomb of President Hayes and his wife.

State Historical Grants (ALI 360508)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360508, State Historical Grants					
\$1,338,500	\$1,244,805	\$1,675,000	\$1,635,000	\$1,250,000	\$930,000
% change	-7.0%	34.6%	-2.4%	-23.6%	-25.6%

The entirety of this line item's appropriation in FY 2024 and FY 2025 is earmarked as summarized below.

Earmark	FY 2024	FY 2025
Western Reserve Historical Society	\$350,000	\$350,000
Cincinnati Museum Center	\$350,000	\$350,000
Little Brown Jug	\$250,000	\$0
Maltz Museum of Jewish Heritage	\$200,000	\$200,000
Marlboro Volunteers	\$70,000	\$0
Rootstown Historical Society	\$30,000	\$30,000

Outreach and Partnership (ALI 360509)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
GRF ALI 360509, Outreach and Partnership					
\$155,582	\$144,693	\$144,692	\$144,692	\$148,000	\$151,000
% change	-7.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	2.0%

This line item provides partial funding for OHC’s Local History Services Department, which provides schools and local history organizations around the state with outreach, curriculum, and professional development support, and coordinates volunteer programs and statewide conferences and workshops. The Department also operates the Ohio Historical Markers Program and the History Fund tax check off grant program funded by line item 360602, Ohio History Tax Check-Off.

Ohio History Tax Check-Off (ALI 360602)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
Fund 5KLO ALI 360602, Ohio History Tax Check-Off					
\$30,000	\$150,000	\$102,500	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
% change	400.0%	-31.7%	46.3%	0.0%	0.0%

This line item is funded by an income tax check off that allows taxpayers to direct a portion of their state tax refunds to OHC. The appropriated funds pay for competitive matching grants to local history organizations, nonprofits, and local governments for organizational development initiatives, brick-and-mortar projects, and program and collections activities.

Ohio History License Plate (ALI 360603)

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriation	FY 2025 Appropriation
Fund 5PD0 ALI 360603, Ohio History License Plate					
\$3,720	\$6,000	\$7,500	\$7,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
% change	61.3%	25.0%	-6.7%	42.9%	0.0%

This line item is funded by a contribution of \$20 for each purchase of the “Ohio History” license plate. The money is then used to pay for grants on a matching basis to local history-related organizations. A portion may be used for administering the grants.

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All Fund Groups

Line Item Detail by Agency			Appropriations			FY 2023 to FY 2024	Appropriations	FY 2024 to FY 2025
			FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	% Change	FY 2025	% Change
Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill			Version: As Enacted					
OHS Ohio History Connection								
GRF	360400	Holocaust and Genocide Memorial and Education Commission	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 985,000	392.50%	\$ 840,000	-14.72%
GRF	360401	Ohio Commission for the U.S. Semiquincentennial	\$ 0	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,000,000	300.00%	\$ 3,000,000	50.00%
GRF	360402	UNESCO World Heritage Sites	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,200,000	N/A	\$ 0	-100.00%
GRF	360501	Education and Collections	\$ 5,016,092	\$ 5,016,092	\$ 5,604,000	11.72%	\$ 5,882,000	4.96%
GRF	360502	Site and Museum Operations	\$ 7,232,753	\$ 6,532,753	\$ 7,721,000	18.19%	\$ 7,502,000	-2.84%
GRF	360504	Ohio Preservation Office	\$ 261,609	\$ 261,609	\$ 731,000	179.42%	\$ 738,000	0.96%
GRF	360505	National Afro-American Museum	\$ 536,050	\$ 536,050	\$ 728,000	35.81%	\$ 811,000	11.40%
GRF	360506	Hayes Presidential Center	\$ 572,880	\$ 572,880	\$ 750,000	30.92%	\$ 750,000	0.00%
GRF	360508	State Historical Grants	\$ 1,675,000	\$ 1,635,000	\$ 1,250,000	-23.55%	\$ 930,000	-25.60%
GRF	360509	Outreach and Partnership	\$ 144,692	\$ 144,692	\$ 148,000	2.29%	\$ 151,000	2.03%
General Revenue Fund Total			\$ 15,639,076	\$ 15,399,076	\$ 21,117,000	37.13%	\$ 20,604,000	-2.43%
5KLO	360602	Ohio History Tax Check-off	\$ 102,500	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000	0.00%	\$ 150,000	0.00%
5PDO	360603	Ohio History License Plate	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,000	\$ 10,000	42.86%	\$ 10,000	0.00%
Dedicated Purpose Fund Group Total			\$ 110,000	\$ 157,000	\$ 160,000	1.91%	\$ 160,000	0.00%
3HQ0	360604	GEER - History Initiatives	\$ 557,507	\$ 613,287	\$ 0	-100.00%	\$ 0	N/A
Federal Fund Group Total			\$ 557,507	\$ 613,287	\$ 0	-100.00%	\$ 0	N/A
Ohio History Connection Total			\$ 16,306,583	\$ 16,169,363	\$ 21,277,000	31.59%	\$ 20,764,000	-2.41%