

O. Winston Link Museum

Roanoke History Museum

The Impact of Your Support

The historic preservation efforts of the Roanoke History Museum, in partnership with the O. Winston Link Museum and the Historical Society of Western Virginia, are an important way for us to transmit our understanding of the past to future generations. The history of the Roanoke Valley, and its surrounding areas, has a diverse and expansive history. It is our responsibility to honor and safeguard our collective heritage so that we can continue to learn from the past and lay foundation for generations to come.

Preservation of Local History

The Roanoke History Museum is dedicated to preserving the rich history of the Roanoke Valley of Virginia the surrounding regions. By supporting the society, you are helping to ensure that important stories, culture, and artifacts from the past are saved and made available to future generations.

Educational Opportunities

The Roanoke History Museum provides educational opportunities for people of all ages. The society hosts lectures, workshops, and other events that promote learning and understanding of the region's history. It also partners with local schools to provide field trips and an enrichment of their understanding of our region's history.

Cultural Enrichment

Supporting the Roanoke History Museum helps to enrich the cultural life of the region. The society organizes exhibitions and events that showcase the arts, crafts, music, and other cultural traditions of the area.

Community Engagement

The Roanoke History Museum is committed to engaging with the community. By supporting the society, you are helping to foster a sense of community and pride in the region's heritage.

Economic Development

Preserving and promoting the history of the region can have a positive impact on economic development. By supporting the Roanoke History Museum, you are enhancing the impact tourism has on our region and local businesses.

Civic Pride

Supporting the Roanoke History Museum is a way to show your pride in the region and its history. By supporting the society, you are helping to ensure that the stories and traditions of the past are not forgotten, and that the region continues to thrive.

Why Support the Roanoke History Museum?

Roanoke History Museum is local – The Roanoke History Museum is locally run with local board members living in the community we serve. While history museums at the state and national level include our region in many of their historical exhibits, our efforts can bring perspective and understanding that only the local history museum, and those invested in it, can provide.

Roanoke History Museum is a strong community partner – The Roanoke History Museum partners with local colleges and universities to provide internships and continuing education opportunities. Additionally, community outreach programs for local students and underserved populations are made possible through supporters of our programs.

Roanoke History Museum is essential for historic preservation efforts – The Roanoke History Museum, founded in 1958, has largest collection of items, artifacts, and resources in our region. We are responsible for preserving our history for future generations and can focus on various perspectives and topics, about our region, that larger state and national museums cannot.

Philanthropic support of the Roanoke History Museum is for all of us – The story of our region is ours to tell and, in a way, only we can tell it. All gifts given to the Roanoke History Museum stay in our local community and support our staff, preservation efforts, educational opportunities, and community outreach.

How are Funds Used?

- ♦ Educational materials for schools, as well as for in-museum activities and interactives
- ♦ Materials and Maintenance of individual collections
- ♦ Storage expenses for collections that have been gifted to the museum
- ♦ Bringing new exhibits to the museum
- ♦ Staffing and operational expenses that allow the museum to preserve the valuable and unique history of this region.

Areas of Support

A gift to our annual fund supports staffing, storage, and various resources needed on an annual basis to be good stewards of the items in our possession and to continue bringing the history of this region to the community.

\$10,000	\$5,000	\$1,000	\$500	\$100	Other Amount
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A gift to our enhancement fund supports capitol projects and expanding our current exhibits and conservation efforts such as:

\$35,000 – Provide the funding for an educator at the museum for one year

\$25,000 – Provide the funding for a new exhibit

\$25,000 – Sponsor a Roanoke History Documentary

\$20,000 – Provide the funding and installation of a digital interactive kiosk

\$18,000 – Museum storage costs for one year

\$12,000 – Sponsor Fantasyland