

OHRAB CITIZEN ARCHIVIST AWARD 2025

Celebrate Ohio's Citizen Archivists by Honoring the Accomplishments of a Volunteer in an Ohio Archival Institution

The Ohio Historical Records Advisory Board Citizen Archivist Award honors volunteers in Ohio's archives who work long hours answering reference requests, processing collections, and indexing historic records. This award recognizes a volunteer in an Ohio archive who best exemplifies the dedication and hard work volunteers—our citizen archivists—contribute to Ohio's archives each day.

All Ohio institutions responsible for archival records that provide free public access to at least a portion of their collections are eligible. Preference will be given to volunteers whose work increases access to archival collections in Ohio. OHRAB will accept nominations from Ohio archival institutions as well as the general public.

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 accomplishments and dedication of the volunteer. Include the nominee's name along with a contact person's name, mailing and email addresses, and phone number. If the nominee's contributions include online collections, please include a link to the website.

Send nominations via email or U.S. mail to: Tina Ratcliff County Records & Information Manager Montgomery County Records Center & Archives 117 South Main Street, 6th Floor Dayton, OH 45422 937-496-6932 ratclifft@mcohio.org

Nominations must be received by September 15, 2025.

Questions? Contact Tina Ratcliff at ratclifft@mcohio.org or 937-496-6932