Cemetery Grant Program
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Cemetery Registration
FY2020 – By the numbers

- On-time applications received
- Total amount requested
- Award letters

143

- Over $300,000
- 60 letters granting over $75,000

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Cemetery Grant Fund

- STATE fiscal year cycle
  - FY2020 – July 1, 2019 until June 30, 2020

- Notification via www.com.ohio.gov/realt/ and email group

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- Eligibility
  - Properly registered, in compliance
  - Conducted burials within last 25 years

Rules and Regulations on file
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Eligibility

- How many cemeteries do you operate?
- Did you receive a grant in FY20?

If a grant was received in FY20, may not apply in FY21 unless you operate 5+ cemeteries.

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Eligibility

- I can apply for more than $1,000?
  - Yes, but you must provide
  - Proof of matching funds
  - Additional impact statement/proof of need

Apply for $5,000

Proof of matching funds for $4,000

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What is “exceptional” maintenance?
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Exceptional maintenance

- Construe broadly
- Non-routine, non-repetitive

Reasonable maintenance doesn’t qualify

- As set out in ORC 4757.09
- Maintenance done in the day-to-day operations
Best practices for filling out the application

First:

• Read the instructions
  • When is the completed grant application due?
  • Are there any required attachments?

4. All applicants must submit an original W-9 form with the application.

If you have questions:

• Don’t take a guess
• Call or email the Division
• Laura Monick 614-466-5384
  or 614-466-4100
Check your answers:

- Complete all application questions
- Tell us the whole story

We are looking for:

- A detailed cemetery budget & detailed project budget

It is very helpful to include:

- Pictures and extra details to explain the project
Need more space?:
• Attach additional information

Questions?
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