



2023 LEGISLATIVE MOMENTS SUPPORTING LOCAL HISTORY

More than 300 museums and local history organizations across Kentucky preserve and interpret our past. One is the **Highlands Museum and Discovery Center** in **Boyd County**.

Formed in 1984, the museum focuses on Ashland's regional history. In 1994, the museum moved into the former C.H. Parsons Department Store building. This space provides room for several notable displays, including a space exhibit and an examination of Eastern Kentucky's rich musical heritage. Consistently expanding and creating new interactive exhibits, the museum is committed to providing avenues of discovery to children and visitors of all ages.

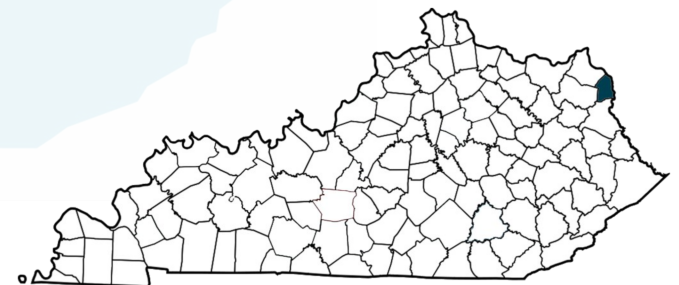
Organizations like this can get support from the **Kentucky Local History Trust Fund**, administered by the Kentucky Historical Society (KHS). In 2016, KHS awarded a Kentucky Local History Trust Fund grant to the Highlands Museum to assist the organization with protecting its collection.

The Kentucky Local History Trust Fund allows Kentuckians to donate a portion of their state income tax refund to help local history organizations. KHS has awarded more than \$96,000 to 55 organizations across Kentucky. For more information, visit history.ky.gov/lhtf.

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"Highlands Museum and Discovery Center," Ashland, Ky.,
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