

WYOMING STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY LOLA HOMSHER ENDOWMENT FUND

RULES FOR RESEARCH GRANTS

(See separate application form)

1. Grants of up to \$1,500, contingent upon availability of funds, will be awarded for proposals which support research and the preservation and promotion of Wyoming history. Topics must be Wyoming related with an emphasis on original research. If an organization applies, one person must be designated as project director.
2. Applicants must submit one (1) electronic copy of the proposal to the Committee Chair at homsher.projects@gmail.com **before midnight the last day of February**. Proposals should be submitted utilizing the Project Grant Application form.
3. Acceptable uses of grant funds include travel expenses (mileage, airfare, lodging, meals); research related fees (scanning and copy fees, flash drives); and postage. Funds do not support the purchase of equipment and/or software, construction of exhibits, or publication costs. Proposals with such requests will be disqualified. If additional information is required contact the Projects (Homsher) Committee Chair, Vickie Zimmer at prairiecreekbooks@gmail.com or Linda Fabian, WYSHS executive Secretary, at linda@wyshs.org.
4. The committee reserves the right not to grant any funds in any given year.
5. Preference will be given to Wyoming State Historical Society members.
6. Guidance for these grants comes from the Projects (Homsher) Committee of the Wyoming State Historical Society.
7. The committee will make its decision and the Executive Secretary will notify ALL applicants of the outcome by the first of June. A check for total approved grant funds will be sent after the committee selects the awardees.
8. The award also includes a complimentary one-year membership in the Wyoming State Historical Society. If applicant is already a member, then their membership will be extended for one year.
9. The Society will send press releases statewide, and to recipient hometown, and/or other specialty publications.

RECIPIENTS RESPONSIBILITY:

1. Upon receipt of the funds, recipient will send a letter of acknowledgement to the committee chair and/or the Executive Secretary.
2. All projects must be completed in **one year**. An extension may be requested for extenuating circumstances.
3. Upon completion/expenditure of funds, a final report must be submitted using the form available on the WSHS/Homsher Award webpage: <http://www.wyshs.org/programs/lola-homsher-research-grant>
4. A courtesy copy of the final project, i.e. book, DVD, etc. should be sent to the WSHS Executive Secretary.

5. The Wyoming State Historical Society must be acknowledged in all aspects of the project, i.e. publicity, forewords, etc. A copy of the Society's official logo is available upon request.

6. Written projects may be considered for publication in the Society's scholarly journal, *Annals of Wyoming: The Wyoming History Journal*. Awardees are also encouraged to present their awarded projects at a Wyoming State Historical Society meeting or any Wyoming State Historical Society affiliated chapter meeting.