New Jersey State Historical Marker Program Funding Overview

Markers on Privately-Owned Property

As stated in the <u>Program Guidelines</u>, public funds cannot be used to "erect markers or signs on private property." Private organizations and individuals may fund the fabrication and installation or identify external funding sources. Currently, the approximate cost of the fabricated marker is \$3,000. The payment would be sent directly to the vendor. Additional information about this process will be shared once the State selects the FY26 marker vendor. There is no limit on the number of privately-funded markers that can be accepted through this program.

The Commission can also assist nominators with determining if the location selected for the marker is private or public property and locate alternative public sites if appropriate. Emails can be directed to <u>NJHC.Programs@sos.nj.gov</u>.

Markers on Public Property

Through this program, the Commission can fund up to **fifty** state historical markers on public property. Some examples of public property include federal, state, county, or municipal parks; federal, state, county, or municipal owned historical sites; county or municipal libraries; community centers; and public schools. This is not a comprehensive list of everything that qualifies as public property.

The Commission can assist nominators with confirming if the proposed location is on public property. Questions can be directed to <u>NJHC.Programs@sos.nj.gov</u>.