

Mission Statement

The [REDACTED] is driven by its mission is to:

~~To~~ Advance all modes of transportation across the Commonwealth,
~~to~~ celebrate and preserve the hard work and ingenuity of generations past, and
~~to~~ inspire current and future generations of Virginians to value ~~this an~~ industry
that which is essential to the Commonwealth's history, culture, and economic growth.
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Goals

In service ~~to~~ of its ~~visitors~~ patrons, the Museum shall:

- ~~H~~holds historic assets as a public trust;
- ~~P~~preserves and interprets meaningful transportation-related objects, ~~and by~~ providing ~~ing~~es the opportunity to interact with treasured real artifacts as appropriate,
- ~~R~~ecords and ~~reshare~~ tells the ~~stories of the~~ accomplishments of men and women ~~off from~~ all ranks ~~in of~~ Virginia transportation history;
- ~~E~~ducates school children in a fun, ~~and~~ historically authentic environment through standards-based programming that ~~teaches history and~~ expands young imaginations;
- ~~P~~rovides meaningful experiences for volunteers interested in our transportation heritage ~~while and~~ giving back to the community
- ~~C~~ollaborates with other ~~institutions organizations~~, including ~~rail heritage, scientific and other historical organizations~~, to ~~expand services while avoiding~~ redundancy and duplication throughout the Commonwealth and beyond, and
- ~~F~~ocuses ~~on the~~ regional and national significance of Virginia's proud railway heritage ~~of Virginia as our region's most significant.~~

Vision

The [REDACTED] seeks ~~to become~~:

- ~~G~~lobally ~~recognized for~~ acknowledgement of the treasures in its collection;
- Recognition as an essential educational resource, ~~and~~
- ~~a driver in~~ The ability to improve and facilitate the Roanoke Valley's economic growth.

~~To~~ In achieving its vision, the Museum is committed to excellence in its interpretation of Virginia's transportation heritage including:

- ~~P~~ersonal transportation-related experiences, past and present;
- ~~C~~ommunity development ~~brought about by~~ as a result of transportation, both social and commercial;
- ~~T~~ransportation technologies; and significant changes ~~in those technologies over time, in~~ the transportation industry

~~Given our location in Roanoke,~~ The Museum ~~will shall~~ focus on preserving and telling ~~conveying~~ Roanoke's story in order to:

- ~~to~~ Celebrate local and regional achievements while, restoring Roanoke's regional pride in its rail heritage; ~~and~~
- act as a ~~an~~ exemplary of similar developments in ~~for~~ other parts of the Commonwealth.

The Museum strives to accommodate, educate, and engage the broadest audience possible, while ~~working~~ collaborating ~~ngvely~~ with other organizations. Special consideration is given to addressing appropriate educational standards, ~~as well as~~ and fostering creativity ~~and a sense of wonder~~ among visitors.

Through the authentic and innovative interpretation of the Museum's collection, visitors will gain a greater understanding of the history and accomplishments of ~~both~~ their community, ~~and~~ their ~~own~~ families, and the unlimited potential of providing inspiration for achievement in future generations.

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