



GREATER CINCINNATI WATER WORKS Old River Station Historical Tour

First Saturday of every month (or by appointment) from 9:30 a.m. to noon.
Reservations must be made at least one week in advance at Tours.myGCWW.org.

We're excited you've chosen to take a tour of the Old River Station of Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) at the Richard Miller Treatment Plant (RMTP)!

Your tour will include the following:

- The pump house and its history, beginning at ground level before the structure was lowered by hand to 105 feet below grade.
- The engine house, which is the boiler house that supplied steam to the engines, along with the coal storage area and riverside coal handling dock.
- The pump pit floor where you will stand among the four engines as they rest on 20-foot-thick wood caisson, six feet under the floor of the Ohio River.
- The great pump chamber that moved a staggering 30,000,000 gallons of water every day for 57 years.

Directions

RMTP is located at 5651 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45230.

1. From I-275, take Kellogg Avenue Exit 72 and follow the signs for S.R. 52/Kellogg Avenue West.
2. Go approximately 1 mile.
3. Turn left into the GCWW main entrance and check in with the guard located at the entry gate.
4. Be sure to have all photo IDs ready.

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Arrival

- Please arrive 10 minutes early.
- Tour begins promptly at 9:30 a.m.



Requirements

Waiver

Children are not permitted on this tour. All participants must be 18 or older. All participants [must complete a waiver](#).

Photo ID

This is a secure and active facility. Participants **must** have a photo ID to present at the guarded entrance gate.

Attire

- Closed-toe and closed-heel shoes required. No sandals, flip-flops, or Croc-type shoes are permitted.
- Long pants are recommended (shorts are permitted when temperatures are high).
Please note: There is no AC or heat in some areas. Indoor temperatures average between 55°F (winter) and 85°F (summer).



Accessibility

This is a walking tour with stairs and small obstacles. This is not an accessible facility; however, some parts of the tour can be accessed. Please advise us in advance if any of your party have mobility issues.



Safety

- Participants do **NOT** need hard hats or safety glasses.
- Please inform us ahead of time if anyone in your party has a fear of heights, confined spaces, easily becomes light-headed, or has vertigo.
- Smoking is **NOT** permitted inside the facility.



Photography/Videography Policies

- Photography is encouraged in the museum area; however, photography will be limited to specific places during the tour.
- Video or audiotaping during the tour is **NOT** permitted.



Personal Items

Handbags, backpacks, or briefcases are not encouraged on the tour. These items should be left in visitors' vehicles.



Food/Drink

Food and drinks will not be provided and are **NOT** permitted inside the facility.

Notice Under the ADA

The City of Cincinnati will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities in its programs, services, or activities. If you require any special accommodations or communication aids visit www.cincinnati-oh.gov/manager/ada.