The William and Mary Queen Store is known as the most beautiful structure in Crum and was historically the central building in the town. Constructed of local sandstone in 1935 by Italian stonemasons under the direction of Alec Deminio, this building stands two stories tall and originally served as the town’s general store. After standing vacant and abandoned for decades, the flat roof has collapsed and the entire building is in very poor condition. However, the Coalfield Development Corporation has plans to acquire, revitalize, and adapt it for use as the headquarters for its 21st Century Jobs Initiative, a program to provide innovative on-the-job training and mentorship programs for young people growing up in generational cycles of poverty. The second story will be renovated to provide affordable housing.

**Site:** William and Mary Queen Store

**Community:** Crum, Wayne County

**Date of Construction:** 1935

**Significance:** The building was built as a town general store with the construction financed by a local family considered “founders” of the town. Italian masons under the direction of Alec Demenio constructed this building.

**Endangerment:** Neglect and deterioration - This building has been vacant for decades. The roof has collapsed.

**Resources:** Coalfield Development Corporation

**Next Steps for 2012:** To list the building on the National Register of Historic Places, finalize plans and partnerships for the project, and develop a funding plan for adaptive reuse.

**Goal:** The Coalfield Development Corporation plans to use the building as its headquarters for its 21st Century Jobs Initiative, which will provide innovative on-the-job training and mentoring programs for young people coming of age in generational cycles of poverty. The second floor will provide affordable housing to local residents.

**Nominated by:** Coalfield Development Corporation