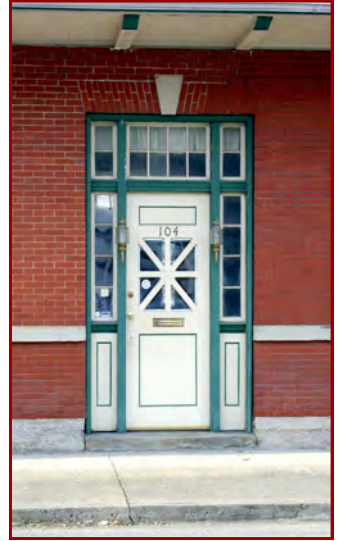


# Railroad Depot

## Mannington, WV

The Mannington Railroad Depot began operations in 1852, serving as a link to the Ohio River and the western frontier. The original depot was a strategic stronghold during the Civil War. The present structure, built in 1906, is in danger of development that will destroy its historic features.



*Mannington Depot in the mist courtesy of Jimmy Emerson, photographer*

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**Community:** Mannington  
(Marion County)

**Site:** Railroad Depot

**Date:** 1852 and 1906

**Significance:** The Mannington

Depot was established on the B&O Railroad in 1852. The present 1906 structure is a one story hip roof, brick building with stone detailing, typical of that style on the line. It remained important to transportation until 1957.

**Endangerment:** Potential loss to development by commercial interest that will not preserve its special historic features.

**Next Steps:** Preserve the Railroad Depot from changes that would not include restoration.

**Resources:** The City of Mannington and Mannington Main Street, are working with at least nine organizations interested in providing fund-raising efforts and “sweat equity” to purchase the building for adaptive reuse.

**Future:** Purchase by a combined effort of many organizations with title to the City for a Community Family Center with a small snack bar available for use by those enjoying the Mannington Rail Trail.

**Nominated by:** *Mannington Main Street*

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