

Pennsylvania State Archives – Records of the County Governments

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The State Archives does NOT have copies of all Pennsylvania county records, nor can the Archives search or copy all county records. If a local record cannot be located at the Archives, the researcher must visit the to examine the record.

Please note: Listed below are records that may be useful to search in regards to development during the 1940s to 1960s in a particular county. There may be more information located at the [Pennsylvania State Archives](#) in other [Record](#) or [Manuscript](#) groups that are not cited on this list.

Bedford County

Recorder of Deeds

Deed Books, 1771-1963 (242 volumes): 47.254

Volumes of copies of deeds brought to the courthouse for registration. Each deed is an instrument which conveys an interest in land. It contains the names of the grantee and grantor, a description of the parcel of land conveyed, the amount of money or other consideration received, and the date the instrument was effective. The date of recording a deed may be long after the date of the deed itself.

Miscellaneous Dockets, 1864-1977 (64 volumes): 47.257

Books of various legal instruments recorded at the county courthouse. The types of instruments found include civil war discharges, rights of way, easements, oaths of office, assignment and release of mortgages, commissions and bonds for elected officials, oil gas and mineral leases, articles of association for corporations and social groups, agreements to sell land or property, and receipt of estate proceeds for persons reaching their majority. A number of books are devoted exclusively to right of way easements

Mortgage books, 1829-1964 (83 volumes): 47.255

Volumes of copies of mortgages representing the obligations of borrowers in land transactions. The borrower or mortgagor executes the instrument to receive all or part of the purchase price of a property. The mortgage becomes a lien upon the property until the conditions of repayment are satisfied. Each mortgage will have the names of the mortgagor and mortgagee, the amount of money loaned, the conditions of repayment, and a description of the property held as surety for the loan.

Crawford County

Municipal Annual Financial Reports, 1956-1977 (5 cartons): 47.33

Inventory booklets listing the expenditures, funds, and receipts of all the boroughs and townships in the county. The tax and detailed debt statements are also provided, along with canceled checks, showing that all the expenses were paid off.