

Pine Grove Armory Fact Sheet

Location:

**143 South Tulpehocken Street
Pine Grove, PA 17963**

Property Information:

The facility sits on approximately .35 acres located in the Borough of Pine Grove, Schuylkill County. The armory building is 10,682 square feet, according to a recent appraisal, and consists of a large drill hall, administrative space, classrooms, kitchen, and multiple storage areas. The property is located in an area zoned for "Neighborhood Commercial" usage.

Utility costs over a three-year period have averaged approximately \$12,000/ year.



The Armory is currently vacant. It was formally occupied by members of D Company, 228th Brigade Support Battalion; however, they have moved to the Hershey Readiness Center.

Special Consideration:

The Pine Grove Armory was constructed in 1908 (circa) and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Pine Grove Historic District. The Commonwealth prefers that any conveyance of the Pine Grove Armory be under and subject to an historic preservation covenant approved by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. The Pine Grove Armory should be maintained and preserved in accordance with the Secretary of the Interiors *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. Purchasing the property subject to an approved historic preservation covenant has

several advantages. First, the Commonwealth agrees that the Fair Market Value (FMV) of an armory sold subject to an historic preservation covenant is 20% less than the FMV without the covenant. Second, there may be federal tax incentives available to a purchaser who rehabilitates the property in compliance with applicable standards. Contact the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for additional information (www.phmc.state.pa.us). Third, the purchaser will have the satisfaction of contributing to the preservation of a part of Pennsylvania's history.

Proposed Action:

Working by and through the Pennsylvania Department of General Services, the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) is actively seeking to dispose of the Pine Grove Armory. Conveyances of state armories must be approved by the Pennsylvania General Assembly and the Governor. The Commonwealth intends to sell this property for Fair Market Value (FMV) as determined by an independent appraisal dated August 06, 2013. The appraisal indicated the FMV to be \$135,000.

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