



Collin County Historical Commission

2025 Proposed Grant Recipients

Seven applicants requested \$17250.00 of the \$17250.00 2025 CCHC Grant budget. The Collin County Historical Commission recommends that all seven applicants receive grants for FY2025. There were no denials. A list of other funding sources may be found on Page 3 of this document.

1. Historical Preservation: Allen Heritage Guild

Construction of Screech Owl Nesting Boxes located on the Grounds of Allen Heritage Village

Request: \$2080.00

Grant: \$2080.00

Allen Heritage Guild requests funds for the construction and labor of four Screech Owl Nesting Boxes on the grounds of Allen Heritage Village in Allen, Texas. Installing nesting boxes will encourage screech owls to reside in the village and act as predators to control rodents that cause damage to buildings, furnishings, and textiles. Allen Heritage Guild has partnered with the Collin County Master Gardener Association on this project.

2. Historical Education: Anna Area Historical Preservation Society

Funding to Assist with the National Train Day Event at the Anna Depot located at Shelby Heritage Park and printing materials for visitor use by Anna Area Preservation Society

Request: \$2328.00

Grant: \$2328.00

Anna Area Historical Preservation Society requests funds to support its 2025 National Train Day Event at the Anna Depot located in Shelby Heritage Park in Anna, Texas. Grant funding will help pay costs for a Choo Choo Express Ride, crafts, prizes, gift bags, and related printing for the event. Grant monies will also be used to print brochures and other informational items distributed by the Anna Area Preservation Society during the year.

3. Historical Preservation: Farmersville Historical Society

Digitizing Farmersville and nearby Collin County area Funeral Records

Request: \$2000.00

Grant: \$2000.00

Farmersville Historical Society requests grant funds to digitize local funeral records that were recently discovered in a storage building in Farmersville, Texas. The records, dating from 1900 to 1938, were comprised of six books from the Netherly Funeral Home and one book from the Perry Funeral Home. The records would be

professionally digitized by Jacob Magnum, Project Development Librarian, and his team at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas.

**4. Heritage Preservation: Heard-Craig Center for the Arts
2025 Oral History Project**

Request: \$1200.00

Grant: \$1200.00

This 2025 Oral History Project will be the 7th in a series by the Heard-Craig Center for the Arts seeking to preserve the history of Collin County by recording interviews of longtime residents of the county before they pass away.

**5. Heritage Preservation: Heard-Craig Center for the Arts
Scan Business Ledgers of Stephen and John Heard**

Request: \$1000.00

Grant: \$1000.00

Heard-Craig Center for the Arts is seeking grant monies to complete the scanning of business ledgers from 1906-1939 compiled by the Heard Family. This will be the final scan of 11 Heard family business ledgers. The scans will contain invaluable information relating to early business and individuals in the early days of Collin County.

**6. Heritage Education: Heritage Guild of Collin County
Replace and Create New Educational Signage at Chestnut Square, McKinney,
Texas.**

Request: \$8000.00

Grant: \$8000.00

The Heritage Guild of Collin County is requesting grant monies to replace and create new, weather-resistant educational signage describing homes, buildings, and outdoor historic features at Chestnut Square in McKinney, Texas. The request also includes the costs of permanent aluminum mounting pedestal posts.

**7. Historical Education: Weston Heritage Guild
Purchase of Three Retractable Posters (with Stands) and Scanning of Herrington
Journals**

Requested: \$594.00

Grant: \$642.00

The Weston Heritage Guild requests grant funding for the purchase of three retractable posters (with stands). The reusable poster displays will document historic Weston figures, events, and locations and will periodically be placed on exhibit. The projected cost of the 3 posters will be \$423. The remaining grant monies will be used to pay for the scan of the Herrington Journals by the University of North Texas and be made available online at The Portal to Texas History website.

Other Funding Sources by 2025 CCHC Grant Applicants:

1. Allen Heritage Guild: Allen Heritage Guild Fund, Allen Economic Development
2. Anna Area Historical Preservation Society: AAHPS Fund
3. Farmersville Historical Society: Spring Luncheon Fundraiser
4. Heard-Craig Center for the Arts: Heard-Craig Investments Account
5. Heard-Craig Center for the Arts: Heard-Craig Investments Account
6. Heritage Guild of Collin County: Heritage Guild of Collin County Fundraising Events
7. Weston Heritage Guild: Weston Heritage Guild Scheduled Fundraising Events