



2026 Collin County Historical Commission

Proposed Grant Recipients

Nine eligible applicants requested \$27,113.00 during the application process. The CCHC Grant budget for FY2026 is \$23,000.00. The CCHC Grant Committee recommends that all nine applicants receive grants for a final total of \$23,000.00. Grant amounts are listed below. Recommended grant amounts are listed to the right of each request. A list of other funding sources for applicants can be found on Page 3 of this document.

**1. Historical Education: Allen Heritage Guild
Summer Allen History Workshop for Kids**

Request: \$1000.00

Grant: \$910.00

Allen Heritage Guild requests funds for a Summer Allen History Workshop for Kids

2. Historical Preservation: Melissa Christian Church

Request: \$5000.00

Grant: \$2500.00

Melissa Christian Church requests funds for critical replacement of historically correct scuppers and downspouts to protect Recorded Texas Historic Landmark building structure and foundation.

**3. Historical Preservation: Farmersville Historical Society
Aluminum Composite Sign for Bain-Honaker House & Museum**

Request: \$2662.00

Grant: \$2523.00

Farmersville Historical Society requests grant funds to construct and install painted aluminum composite sign with vinyl overlay on 6-foot steel posts.

**4. Heritage Preservation: Heard-Craig Center for the Arts
2026 Oral History Project**

Request: \$950.00

Grant: \$864.00

This 2026 Oral History Project will be the 8th 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: Collin County Genealogical Society
Digitizing Historic Blaylock Negatives and Photographs of Collin County**

Request: \$5000.00

Grant: \$4550.00

The Collin County Genealogical Society requests grant funds to digitize historical Blaylock negatives and photographs of early Collin County.

**6. Heritage Preservation: Melissa Historical Society
Leveling, cleaning, and repairing 12 grave monuments/markers in St. Paul Cemetery located in Melissa, Texas**

Request: \$6699.00

Grant: \$6274.00

Melissa Historical Society requests grant funds to level, clean, and repair 12 grave monuments/grave markers in St. Paul Cemetery located in Melissa, Texas.

**7. Historical Preservation: Weston Heritage Guild
Refurbish and reglaze historic display case for exhibition of Weston Area artifacts at Weston City Hall**

Requested: \$1422.00

Grant: \$1294.00

The Weston Heritage Guild requests grant funding for refurbishing and reglazing a historic display case that will be used to exhibit Weston area artifacts at Weston City Hall.

**8. Historical Preservation: Collin County Historical Society
Return, restore, and place 9 grave markers/foot stone that are currently in the museum collection to local Collin County cemeteries**

Requested: \$3380.00

Grant: \$3175.00

The Collin County Historical Society requests grant funding for return, restore, and place 9 stone grave markers/foot stone that are currently stored at the Collin County Historical Museum and place them in their original cemetery locations in Collin County.

**9. Historical Education: The Plano Conservancy for Historic Preservation
Funding for Brochure: "Driving Tour of Historic Cemeteries-Plano, Texas"**

Requested: \$1000.00

Grant: \$910.00

The Plano Conservancy for Historic Preservation requests grant funding for printing 2,000 tri-fold brochures documenting "Driving Tour of Historic Cemeteries-Plano, Texas", that will be available at Plano Interurban Museum and distributed to museums, libraries, travel centers, and other relevant public places throughout Collin County and the North Texas region.

Other Funding Sources by 2026 CCHC Grant Applicants:

1. Allen Heritage Guild: Allen Heritage Guild Fund, Allen Economic Development
2. Melissa Christian Church: Investment/Savings Accounts other grant resources
3. Farmersville Historical Society: Spring Luncheon Fundraiser
4. Heard-Craig Center for the Arts: Heard-Craig Investments Account
5. Collin County Genealogical Society: Digitization funds and donations
6. Melissa Historical Society: 10% funds from operating account and/or volunteer labor
7. Weston Heritage Guild: 10% of project from operating funds
8. Collin County Historical Society: 10% of project from operating funds
9. Plano Conservancy for Historic Preservation: \$147.00 from operating funds