

2009-2018 Grants

Since 2009 the Collin County Historical Commission has issued 104 grants for \$235,250 with the approval of the Collin County Historical Commission. The grants are used for historic preservation and education. These grants may give ideas to your historical group for future projects.

Fifteen cemetery associations or historical societies have received grants for new fencing, repairing, leveling, resetting, cleaning, and restoring of markers, aluminum plaques for unreadable markers, establishment of a scatter garden, a cemetery restoration workshop, creation of walkways, and the printing of cemetery books.

The following organizations received grants: Bear Creek Cemetery Foundation, Anna Area Historic Preservation Society, Murphy Historical Society, Cemetery Association of Murphy, Chambersville Cemetery Association, Young Family Cemetery Association, Snow Hill Cemetery Association, Stoney Point Cemetery Association, Plano Conservancy for Historic Preservation, John Abston Chapter National Society DAR, Corinth Presbyterian Church, Rowlett Creek Cemetery Association, Plano Old Cemetery Association, and Elm Grove Historical Cemetery Association.

Heritage Farmstead Museum- restored a one room school house and black smith shop, replaced a damaged wagon for tours, created a black land prairie garden, published a commemorative book about the Farrell family, restored Alice Farrell's portrait, and created a new incredible milk cow and repaired damaged chimneys at the Farrell house.

Heritage Association of Frisco- restored a 1946 Frisco Caboose, added stained glass windows to the Lebanon Baptist Church, updated oral histories, rebuilt the Frisco Calaboose, repaired a deteriorating log cabin, and created an interactive exhibit about 20th century Frisco.

Collin County Genealogical Society- digitized McKinney historical newspapers from 1880's to 1930's

Anna Area Historic Preservation Society- produced and distributed a brochure depicting historical sights of Anna, restored Lair Cemetery, and has been restoring the Anna 1885 Depot.

Heritage Guild of Collin County- conducted the McKinney historic district trolley tour, replaced porches of the Taylor Inn, repaired windows, porch ceiling, and repaired chimneys for the Dulaney Cottage at Chestnut Square.

Allen Heritage Guild- started the annual Sam Bass Celebration, hosted field trips to three historic sites for second grade elementary students, secured new security doors and guttering for churches at the Allen Historic Village, printed a brochure about the Village, created traveling trunks about Allen history, and had a fence build around the Allen Water Station.

The Murphy Historical Society- restored Herring-Hogge, and the Murphy Family Cemeteries, and printed the Murphy Family Cemetery book.

Collin Conservancy for Historic Preservation- created storyboard panels for electricity room, published a driving brochure for Plano pioneer cemeteries, made a rotary converter display, and renovated the interior of the Texas Electric Railway Car #360.

Heard Craig Center for the Arts- restored “Hill County Bluebonnets” painting, published *The Heard Legacy*, did preventative maintenance on the inline guttering for the Heard Craig House and installed ultraviolet window film on all windows.

Collin County Historical Society and Museum- created an educational program called Interactive Classroom with the McKinney schools. Students study a vast collection of historical artifacts, photographs and documents related to the history of Collin County and Texas.

Farmersville Historical Society- repaired the damaged floor of the 1865 Bain Honaker House.

Prosper Historical Society- developed a trunk which were taken to Prosper elementary schools and other locations to demonstrate how life had changed since the founding of Prosper in 1902.

Wylie Historical Society- published a brochure for a self-guided walking tour about the architecture and local history of downtown Wylie.