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THF Grants Total More Than \$1.6 Million

Edging beyond the \$1.6 million giving mark, the Texas Historical Foundation awarded two more [preservation grants](#) last week. The first one was to the Texas State Historical Association to assist with expanding *The Handbook of Texas Women* by adding more than 3,000 new articles. That project strives to promote a more inclusive and comprehensive history of Texas, recognizing the ways women have shaped the state's history.



THF Director Clark Wernecke, Ph.D., right, presents a ceremonial grant check for work on *The Handbook of Texas Women* to Frank de la Teja, Ph.D., representing TSHA.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

\$1.6 Million
GIVEN SINCE 1990

278 Projects
RECEIVED FUNDING

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Grant Activity Continues in 2018

THF Director Lewis Fisher also awarded a grant last week to the Wilson County Historical Society to assist with the removal and disposal of compromised, and potentially dangerous, lath and plaster on the Jailhouse Museum (see photo below). This building is one of the few remaining home/jail combined structures in Texas.



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GLO's Spanish Collection Highlighted in Upcoming Magazine

[The Spanish Collection at the Texas General Land Office](#) covers the period from 1720 to 1836 and documents the efforts of Spain and Mexico to populate Texas. These land grant programs were meant to lure settlers to the perilous frontier, develop a regional economy, and defend interior territory against Comanche raids and foreign incursions.

These original records consist of approximately 20,000 documents and more than 200 bound volumes and rare books. Spanish and Mexican land titles, at the heart of the collection, still retain legal validity today.

--Excerpted from an article by Brian A. Stauffer, Ph.D., that will appear in the next issue of [Texas HERITAGE](#) magazine



The Spanish Collection documentation is held within the vault of the Texas General Land Office. Photo from GLO.

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Grant Deadlines Announced

To date, more than 270 historic preservation projects have received funding from the Texas Historical Foundation. Proposals are reviewed quarterly; upcoming deadlines for THF grant consideration are:

JUNE 1
ANNOUNCED MID-JULY

SEPTEMBER 1
ANNOUNCED MID-OCTOBER

DECEMBER 1
ANNOUNCED MID-JANUARY

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