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Historic Preservation**
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Fort Bend County

301 Jackson St.
Office of the County Judge
Richmond, TX 77469

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O: 2813418608

Form

Application Instructions

This grant application is for the Hart Family Fund for Small Towns. Please read our guidelines and eligibility requirements before completing the application.

If you have any questions while completing your application, contact our grants office at grants@savingplaces.org.

Please add administrator@grantinterface.com and grants@savingplaces.org to your address book to ensure you receive all email messages related to your grant application.

Project and Applicant Overview

Project Name*

The project name should illustrate the type of work to be done and the name of the place where the work will happen, if applicable. *Example: "Historic Structures Report for City Hall"*

The Black Cowboy Museum @ Bates Allen Park, Kendleton, TX Preservation of Artifacts Planning Project

Brief Project Description*

Provide a brief description of your project. Think of this as your "elevator pitch." You will have an opportunity to include a more detailed project narrative below.

This Project involves the planning and procurement of professional services related to the preservation and conservation of historical artifacts, collectibles, and resulting programming for The Black Cowboy Museum @ Bates Allen Park, Kendleton, TX

Applicant's Tax Status*

Is the applicant a nonprofit organization or a public agency? If you select "other" please explain below in the "Applicant Overview" question.

Federal, state, or local public agency

Applicant Overview*

Tell us about your organization/agency. What is your mission and who is your audience? If you work with the public, please quantify the number of people reached through your work on an annual basis.

Fort Bend County, TX, established in 1837 as a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas, with a total population of 822,779. This grant application is submitted in support of preservation planning activities and educational outreach for The Black Cowboy Museum at Bates Allen Park, (a county owned park) located in the small

rural community of Kendleton, TX. With a population of 343, Kendleton was founded by freed slaves and possess a cultural history dating back to 1865.

IRS Letter of Determination

If you are a nonprofit, please upload your IRS letter of determination here.

Tax Exempt Forms.PDF

Project State*

Tell us in what state or territory your project will take place. This may be different from where your organization is located.

Texas

Population*

Please list the population of the town the project will take place in.

343

Historic Resource*

Does your project involve a historic resource? This can be a building, landscape, neighborhood or other physical location.

Yes

Historic Resource Information

This section only needs to be completed if the proposed project involves a historic resource or resources such as a building, landscape, or neighborhood. The information provided in this section is very important for the reviewer's larger understanding of the historic place you are working to preserve and why it is culturally, historically, and/or architecturally significant to the community and/or the United States.

The location information requested in this section will be used for mapping purposes. If the project involves multiple resources or a historic district, please skip the street address question and provide only the city, state, and zip code details below.

Name of Historic Resource

The Black Cowboy Museum @ Bates Allen Park, Kendleton, TX

Date of Construction

What year was the historic site or resource constructed?

Construction has not begun

Historic Resource Details

Share with us background information about the historic resource or place.

- Tell us how it was historically used. Include information on who the individual(s) or groups of people were that were historically associated with the place.
- Tell us how it is currently used. Include information on who the individual(s) or groups of people are that are currently associated with the place.
- Tell us why it is culturally important (if applicable).
- Tell us why it is architecturally important (if applicable).
- If it holds a historic designation, please also note that in this section.

In 1860, the enslaved population of Fort Bend County was 4127, more than twice the size of the Caucasian population, at 2,016. Few blacks lived in the town as Texas refused entry. At end of the Civil War, free and newly emancipated slaves founded the town of Kendleton, Texas. Plantation owner William Kendall divided his plantation into small farms and sold the land for 50 cents an acre.

The town of Kendleton was established as a service center to the surrounding farms. Eventually emancipated slaves would purchase land, and farm the land where Bates Allen Park currently sits. Within Bates Allen Park, there are three historic cemeteries in which several founding residents were laid to rest, namely, Walter Moses Burton (first Black Sheriff in U.S. History), Ben F. Williams (a Black Republican lawmaker during the Reconstruction Era), Willie B. Melton (civil rights pioneer born in 1900 and instrumental in helping Kendleton create a self-sufficient farming community), Arizona Fleming, and Ennis Humphrey.

The Black Cowboy Museum created in 2017 in Rosenberg, Texas, features historical artifacts and archives of the rich African American history in this region, including that of the first Black Cowboys. Relocating to Bates Allen Park, the Museum will be constructed as part of an expansion project for preservation planning of historical artifacts and archives highlighting founding residents and history of the Black Cowboy.

Who is the owner of the property?

If the project involves a historic resource and the applicant does not own the property then describe the owner's involvement with the project below. Use the file upload box below to upload a letter of consent from the owner indicating that they consent to this project taking place.

Fort Bend County owns the property in which the Black Cowboy Museum will be built on, also known as Bates Allen Park.

Historic Resource: Street Address

630 Charlie Roberts Ln.

Historic Resource: City

Kendleton

Historic Resource: State (Two Letter Abbreviation)

TX

Historic Resource: Zip Code

77451

Additional Location Information

If the project involves multiple resources, involves resources in multiple cities or states, or if the resource does not have a street address, please provide relevant location information here.

No additional location information.

Project Budget

Amount Requested*

Total amount requested from the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

\$15,000.00

Total Project Expenses*

Please list your total project expenses here.

\$101,900.00

Budget*

Please upload a project budget that details income and expenses related to the proposed grant-funded project. Please use our grant proposal budget template which you can download [here](#).

The project budget pertains to the proposed NTPF grant-funded activity only. Please be sure to note if sources of income are secured, anticipated, or in-kind in the appropriate column. In-kind matches are defined as non-cash contributions, such as donated materials or services. Total income and expenses should match.

PLEASE NOTE: You must use the budget template linked to above.

Black Cowboy Museum Preservation of Artifacts Planning Project.xlsx

Detailed Project Description

Project Description & Timeline*

Tell us about your proposed project and how grant funds will be used:

- Tell us what our funds would be used for. Include a proposed scope of work and information on how the scope of work relates to a larger project (if applicable).

- Tell us who will carry out this work and their role in the project. If you haven't selected a consultant yet, detail the type of expertise you will seek. If they have been selected, include information their qualifications.
- Tell us about who else is involved. Provide information on if or how any partners or community members will be involved in this project.
- Tell us when this project will happen by including an estimated timeline.
- Tell us about other sources of funding for the project.
- Tell us about the expected outcomes for the project and who will benefit once the project is complete.

The Black Cowboy Museum @ Bates Allen Park, Kendleton, TX Preservation of Artifacts Planning Project will consist of utilizing grant funds toward professional preservation & museum planning services. The proposed scope of work would include consultation services for artifact preservation; measurements and documentation of artifact list; and professional museum design consultant services. The Black Cowboy museum has many artifacts that date back to the early 1800's such as vintage irons, sewing machines, black powder guns, stoves, saddles, any other memorabilia.

We have a proposal from Southwest Museum Services. This firm has not formally been procured, although it would come to this project with over 30 year of interpreting history, art, science and popular culture. This firm has represented its services dynamically merge content with form that creates multilayered interactive interpretative experiences and context, which will profoundly contribute to the understanding of the artifact's message. Not only would this experience transport a diverse visitor back in time, its interactive elements would also encourage tourism, and educational outreach.

Stakeholders include, Fort Bend County, Texas, The Black Cowboy Museum, Inc., and the City of Kendleton, Texas.

Groundbreaking for the Black Cowboy Museum is slated to begin in on Juneteenth 2025 (June 19, 2025). Time to complete Construction is estimated at 345 days

Other sources of funding: 2023 Parks Bonds.

People from around the country visit the Black Cowboy Museum in its current location in a small downtown strip center. The newly expanded project will not only increase tourism into the rich historical site of Bates Allen Park, it will also allow local citizens to proudly pay homage to their own ancestral history. Other benefits are economic development into this rural town as jobs are created surrounding the park, museum and cemetery tourism; increased educational outreach to area schools as a field trip destination; hands-on interactive knowledge based experiences of every park visitor concerning the history of this region.

Has the project consultant(s) been selected?*

Selected consultants should demonstrate experience in the grant-funded area. If they have not yet been chosen, please note that if your organization is selected for a grant, you will be required to submit your consultant choice for approval by our Grants Office before your grant agreement is issued and funds disbursed.

No

Letters of Endorsement (Optional)

Letter of Endorsement 1

Letter of Endorsement 2

Photos

Please upload up to six photos of your project below. JPEG format is preferable, only JPEG, PNG, DOC, and PDF files will be accepted. **Photos must include at least one exterior view of the property or resource that is the focus of your grant request.** Both historic and high quality contemporary images will be accepted. Most images should be in a horizontal format.

PLEASE NOTE: WE RECOMMEND YOU SAVE A DRAFT OF YOUR APPLICATION BEFORE YOU UPLOAD PHOTOS. Click the "save as draft" button at the bottom of this page to save.

Photo #1*

Please list the photographer credits and a description of the photo below.

BlackCowboyMuseum (Page 1).jpg

Rendering of The Black Cowboy Museum Expansion Project. Credit: VCS Architects

Photo #2*

Please list the photographer credits and a description of the photo below.

Black Cowboy Museum Artifact 2a.jpg

Black Cowboy Museum Artifact. Credit: The Black Cowboy Museum

Photo #3

Please list the photographer credits and a description of the photo below.

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Photo of Museum Founder Larry Callies Credit: The Black Cowboy Museum

Photo #4

Please list the photographer credits and a description of the photo below.

Black Cowboy Museum Outreach.jpg

Black Cowboy Museum Outreach. Credit: The Black Cowboy Museum

Photo #5

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US Congressman Pete Olsen, Fort Bend County Commissioner Dexter McCoy at grave of Benjamin Williams

Photo #6

Please list the photographer credits and a description of the photo below.

PHOTO OF CEMETERY BATES ALLEN PARK.jpg

Volunteers at Cemetery Cleanup Bates Allen Park Credit: FBC Precinct 4

Certification

Provide the name and title of the authorized official submitting this application for a National Trust Preservation Fund grant. The authorized official must be a representative of the applicant organization who has the authority to sign legally binding documents on behalf of the organization e.g., an executive board officer (i.e. President) or an executive staff member with signatory authority (i.e. Executive Director or CFO).

By submitting photographs, films, or recordings (works) to the Funder you agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. You retain the copyright to all work(s) submitted to the Funder.
2. You grant to the Funder a perpetual, irrevocable, royalty-free, fully transferable, unconditional, non-exclusive, worldwide right to reproduce all or a portion of the work(s) an unlimited number of times in any and all media for any editorial, commercial, promotional, trade, or other corporate purposes.
3. You hereby waive your right to inspect or approved any copy that is used in connection with the work(s) in any existing or subsequently developed medium, and you agree to release and discharge the Funder, including their affiliates and licensees, from any and all claims arising out of such use for the purposes described above, including any claims for libel and invasion of privacy.
4. You represent and warrant that: a. you are the sole owner of, or otherwise have the authority to grant, all rights herein granted to the Funder and b. the work(s) submitted does not infringe upon any copyright, trademark, or other proprietary right, violate any right of privacy, or contain libelous, scandalous, or unlawful material.

By entering in their name below, the authorized official gives the National Trust for Historic Preservation (the Funder) the absolute and unqualified right to use in whole or in part, in whatever manner the National Trust may desire, including (but not limited to) use for publicity, audio-visual presentation, and/or promotion, all photographs, video, and other materials submitted as part of this grant application, and certifies that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of their knowledge.

Applicant Certification*

Are you a duly authorized representative of the applicant?

Yes

Name*

K.P. George

Title*

The Honorable

File Attachment Summary

Applicant File Uploads

- Tax Exempt Forms.PDF
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FORT BEND COUNTY
301 JACKSON STREET SUITE 514
RICHMOND TX 77469-3108

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Federal Identification Number: 74-6001969
Person to Contact: Customer Service
Toll Free Telephone Number: 1-877-829-5500

Dear Taxpayer:

This responds to your request for information about your federal tax status. Our records do not specify your federal tax status. However, the following general information about the tax treatment of state and local governments and affiliated organizations may be of interest to you.

GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

Governmental units, such as States and their political subdivisions, are not generally subject to federal income tax. Political subdivisions of a State are entities with one or more of the sovereign powers of the State such as the power to tax. Typically they include counties or municipalities and their agencies or departments. Charitable contributions to governmental units are tax-deductible under section 170(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code if made for a public purpose.

ENTITIES MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 115(1)

An entity that is not a governmental unit but that performs an essential government function may not be subject to federal income tax, pursuant to Code section 115(1). The income of such entities is excluded from the definition of gross income as long as the income (1) is derived from a public utility or the exercise of an essential government function, and (2) accrues to a State, a political subdivision of a State, or the District of Columbia. Contributions made to entities whose income is excluded income under section 115 may not be tax deductible to contributors.

TAX-EXEMPT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

An organization affiliated with a State, county, or municipal government may qualify for exemption from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code, if (1) it is not an integral part of the government, and (2) it does not have governmental powers inconsistent with exemption (such as the power to tax or to exercise enforcement or regulatory powers). Note that entities may meet the requirements of both sections 501(c)(3) and 115 under certain circumstances. See Revenue Procedure 2003-12, 2003-1 C.B. 316.

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FORT BEND COUNTY
301 JACKSON STREET SUITE 514
RICHMOND TX 77469-3108

Most entities must file a Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, to request a determination that the organization is exempt from federal income tax under 501(c)(3) of the Code and that charitable contributions are tax deductible to contributors under section 170(c)(2). In addition, private foundations and other persons sometimes want assurance that their grants or contributions are made to a governmental unit or a public charity. Generally, grantors and contributors may rely on the status of governmental units based on State or local law. Form 1023 and Publication 4220, Applying for 501(c)(3) Tax-Exempt Status, are available online at www.irs.gov/eo.

We hope this general information will be of assistance to you. This letter, however, does not determine that you have any particular tax status. If you are unsure of your status as a governmental unit or state institution whose income is excluded under section 115(1) you may seek a private letter ruling by following the procedures specified in Revenue Procedure 2007-1, 2007-1 I.R.B. 1 (updated annually).

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,



Kim A. Billups, Operations Manager
Accounts Management Operations 1

**Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number and Certification**

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

Print or type
See Specific Instructions on page 2.

Name (as shown on your income tax return)

FORT BEND COUNTY

Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

Check appropriate box for federal tax classification:

☐ Individual/sole proprietor ☐ C Corporation ☐ S Corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶

☒ Exempt payee

☒ Other (see instructions) ▶

POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)

301 JACKSON

City, state, and ZIP code

RICHMOND, TX 77469

Requestor's name and address (optional)

List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number

- -

Employer identification number

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Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

**Sign
Here**

Signature of
U.S. person ▶

Date ▶ 5/1/2012

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued).
- Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

TEXAS SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION CERTIFICATION

Name of purchaser, firm or agency FORT BEND COUNTY 74-6001969	
Address (Street & number, P.O. Box or Route number) 301 JACKSON ST, SUITE 701	Phone (Area code and number) 281-341-3760
City, State, ZIP code RICHMOND, TX 77469	

I, the purchaser named above, claim an exemption from payment of sales and use taxes (for the purchase of taxable items described below or on the attached order or invoice) from:

Seller: _____

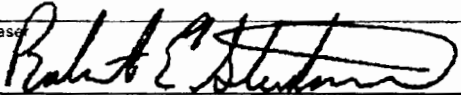
Street address: _____ City, State, ZIP code: _____

Description of items to be purchased or on the attached order or invoice:
ANY GOODS OR SERVICES FOR THE USE OF FORT BEND COUNTY

Purchaser claims this exemption for the following reason:
FORT BEND COUNTY IS A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

I understand that I will be liable for payment of sales or use taxes which may become due for failure to comply with the provisions of the Tax Code: Limited Sales, Excise, and Use Tax Act; Municipal Sales and Use Tax Act; Sales and Use Taxes for Special Purpose Taxing Authorities; County Sales and Use Tax Act; County Health Services Sales and Use Tax; The Texas Health and Safety Code; Special Provisions Relating to Hospital Districts, Emergency Services Districts, and Emergency Services Districts in counties with a population of 125,000 or less.

I understand that it is a criminal offense to give an exemption certificate to the seller for taxable items that I know, at the time of purchase, will be used in a manner other than that expressed in this certificate and, depending on the amount of tax evaded, the offense may range from a Class C misdemeanor to a felony of the second degree.

sign here ▶	Purchaser: 	Title	Date
		County Auditor	07/19/16

NOTE: This certificate cannot be issued for the purchase, lease, or rental of a motor vehicle.
THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT REQUIRE A NUMBER TO BE VALID.
Sales and Use Tax "Exemption Numbers" or "Tax Exempt" Numbers do not exist.

This certificate should be furnished to the supplier. Do not send the completed certificate to the Comptroller of Public Accounts

ORGANIZATION NAME:	Fort Bend County, TX
PROJECT NAME:	The Black Cowboy Museum @ Bates Allen Park, Kendletor
DATE:	4-Apr-25

Instructions: Enter descriptions and amounts in the appropriate columns. For "Help," click on a

INCOME

Source of Income	Please Specify if the funds are Secured, Anticipated, or In-Kind
Grant amount requested from NTHP	
Income from other sources	
Fort Bend County Parks Bond	Secured
Amount requested from National Trust for Historic Preservation	
Total Income from Other Sources	
Total Project Income (must equal your project expenses)	

National Trust Grant Request Budget Sheet

1, TX Preservation of Artifacts Planning Project

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EXPENSES

Amount	Grant Amount Requested from NTHP	Details
	\$ 15,000.00	Professional Artifacts Preservation Services
		Professional Museum Design Services
\$ 86,900.00		* Measurements and documentation of artifacts
\$ -		* Meeting with museum owner, curators, and staff
\$ -		* Prepare a museum layout and design showcase
\$ -		* Explain graphics, drawings, lettering, photographs, video, and audio work to reflect exhibit wish list
\$ -		Professional Preservation Architecture Planning
\$ -		* Newman Chapel Cemetery
\$ -		* Oakhill Cemetery
\$ -		
	\$ 15,000.00	
	\$ 86,900.00	
	\$ 101,900.00	Total Project Expenses (must equal project income)

ad Expenses	Amount
	\$ 11,800.00
	\$ 40,100.00
s	
takeholders to create exhibit wish list	\$ -
asing placement of all exhibits	\$ -
aphs, posters text panel, museum labels, signage, t	\$ -
g Services	\$ 50,000.00
	\$ -
	\$ -
	\$ -
	\$ -
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BLACK COWBOY MUSEUM

630 CHARLIE ROBERTS LN
EAST BERNARD, TX 77451

INTERIOR DESIGN
FINISHES + FURNISHINGS









