



TPTF Grant Acceptance

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Summary

- Ordinance ratifying and accepting a grant from the Texas Preservation Trust Fund for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.
- Supports African American Heritage Preservation Initiative by OHP
- Will fund media components which include a video documentary and graphic novel



Background

- An African American Cultural Context Statement will also be released to better understand the contributions of African Americans to San Antonio's unique cultural heritage.
- The need for educational materials, such as the proposed media components, was expressed community meetings



About the Grant

- The Texas Historical Commission (THC) awards grants for preservation projects from the Texas Preservation Trust Fund (TPTF). The grants are entirely state-funded.
- OHP applied for the grant in July 2023 and was approved.

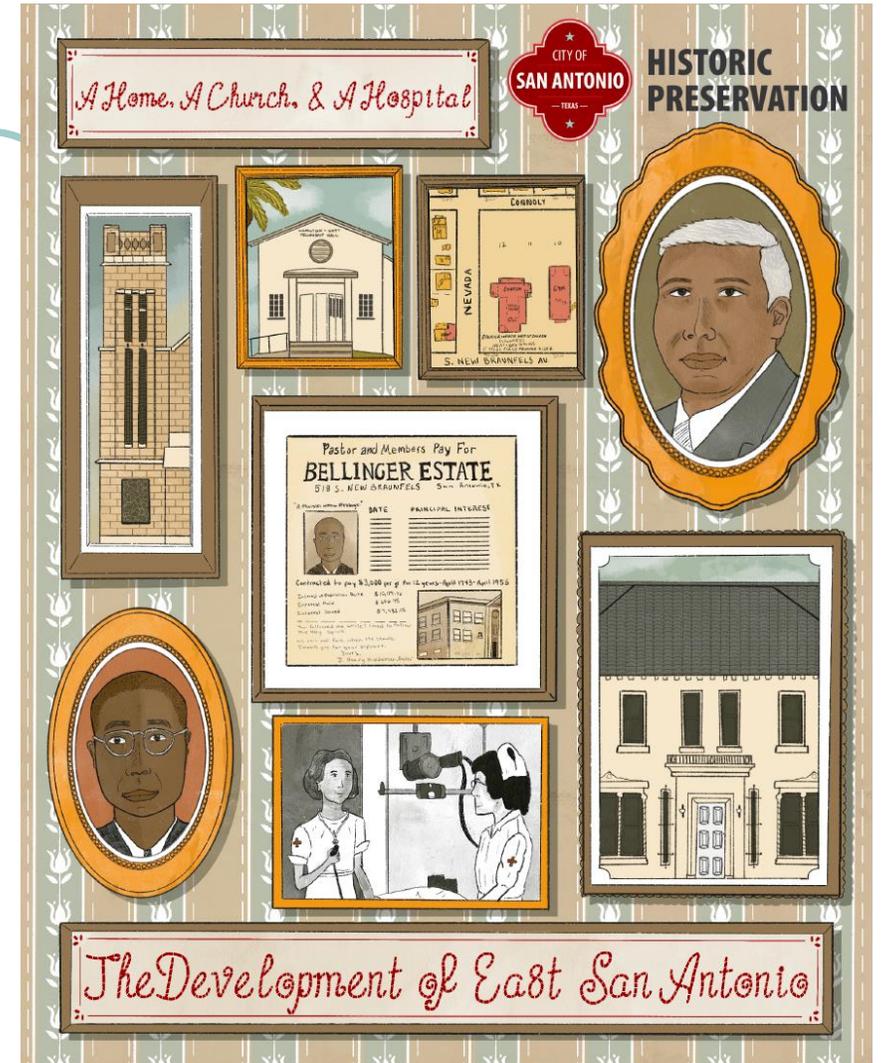


Project Description

"A Home, a Church, and a Hospital" will tell the story of three historical places that exemplify the efforts to uplift Black residents economically, spiritually, and in health and wellness:

- 1) The residence of Charles Bellinger, an entrepreneur who was influential in local politics and real estate development,
- 2) Greater Corinth Baptist Church, which has been nominated for the National Register of Historic Places,
- 3) Good Samaritan Hospital, which now serves as a resource center for military veterans.

The intended audience is K-12 students.



Fiscal Impact



- The grant requires a cash match of \$25,000. Funding is available in the amount of \$25,000 from the General Fund FY 2025 Adopted Budget
- OHP has utilized other grant opportunities to support the overall project

Recommendation



- Staff recommends approval to ratify and accept the grant from the Texas Preservation Trust Fund for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.



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