

# IDENTIFYING GRANTS & TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR YOUR MINISTRY

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# MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the University is to prepare a diverse population of lifelong learners intellectually, socially, spiritually, and personally through providing interactive services and using varied modalities of instructional delivery.



Race/Ethnicity	Undergraduate Students	Graduate Students
U.S. Non-Resident	28	0
Hispanic/Latino	138	1
American Indian or Alaskan Native	15	1
Asian	1	0
Black/African American	456	68
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1	0
White	18	0
Two or More Races	11	0
Race and Ethnicity Unknown	62	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>730</b>	<b>70</b>

# BRIEF HISTORY OF JARVIS

- **Founded in 1912**, Jarvis Christian University was established by the Disciples of Christ Church to provide educational opportunities for African American students in East Texas.
- **Named after donors James and Ida Van Zandt Jarvis**, the university began as Jarvis Christian Institute, focusing on primary and secondary education before expanding to higher education.





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- **Transitioned to a four-year college in 1939**, becoming Jarvis Christian College, and later gained university status in 2022, reflecting its growth in academic programs and degrees.
- **Historically Black and faith-based**, Jarvis Christian University remains committed to academic excellence, leadership, and Christian values, serving a diverse student body.

# QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

How many churches need more money?

How many churches have a plan to get more money?

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How many churches have the capacity to receive gifts by stock?



# QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

How many individuals have life insurance?

How many individuals have listed the church as a beneficiary in their life insurance?









40 YEARS ★ 1985-2025

**Texas Rural African-American Heritage Grants Program:**  
Preservation Texas offers matching grants of up to \$75,000 to support the stabilization, preservation, restoration, or rehabilitation of historic rural African-American buildings, including churches, in communities with populations under 50,000.



**Eligibility Criteria:** To qualify, buildings must have served an African-American community or institutional use, such as a church, lodge, or school; be owned by a non-profit organization or a municipal or county government; and be endangered due to structural and physical issues.

**National Register Listing Requirement:** Properties receiving funding that are not currently listed on the National Register of Historic Places must complete and submit a nomination as part of the project. Preservation Texas collaborates with applicants and the Texas Historical Commission to determine eligibility and assist with the nomination process.



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- 1. Capital Projects:** Funding will be given for the restoration, rehabilitation, stabilization, preservation of historic buildings, parsonages, annex and educational buildings attached or directly adjacent to the historic Black church, including bricks-and-mortar construction, construction documents and planning costs.





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- 2. Endowment and Financial Sustainability:** Active Black Churches fundraising to increase existing or establish new preservation endowments for historic Black church buildings, with active congregations, to support activities such as cyclical maintenance of the building and grounds, insurance services, and other activities related to the perpetual stewardship of the structure.



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- 3. Organizational Capacity and Operations:** Creation of new full-time staff, or existing part time staff to full-time positions which directly support the preservation and stewardship of historic Black church structures and advances preservation priorities: preservation planning, project management, construction management, interpretation, etc. Clergy and religious ministry staff positions are ineligible.



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- 4. Project Planning:** Obtaining the services of consultants with expertise in the areas such as preservation, business, strategic, fundraising, interpretation, engineering, energy retrofitting, ADA accessibility, landscape architecture, cemetery conservation, environmental studies, legal issues, organizational development, education, and trainings, etc. to develop plans for implementation by organization.



- 1. National Fund for Sacred Places:** Offers matching grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$500,000 to congregations undertaking significant capital projects at historic houses of worship.
- 2. Texas Preservation Trust Fund Grant Program:** Provides matching, reimbursable grants for endangered historic properties, archeological sites, and heritage education projects within Texas.
- 3. Certified Local Government Grants (Texas Historical Commission):** Offers funding to participating city and county governments to develop and sustain effective local preservation programs critical to preserving local historic resources.

- 4. African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund:** A program by the National Trust for Historic Preservation that provides grants to support the preservation of African American historic places, including churches.
- 5. Preserving Black Churches Project:** An initiative under the African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund, offering grants up to \$300,000 over three years to historic Black churches with active congregations.
- 6. Save America's Treasures Grant Program:** Provides grants for preservation and conservation of nationally significant historic properties and collections.

- 7. National Trust Preservation Funds:** Offers several types of financial assistance to nonprofit organizations and public agencies to support preservation efforts.
- 8. Lilly Endowment's Thriving in Ministry Initiative:** Provides grants to help pastors build relationships with experienced clergy and guide them through key leadership challenges.
- 9. Texas Historical Foundation Grants:** Supports preservation projects in Texas, including those related to historic church buildings.

**10.The Chatlos Foundation:** Offers grants to faith-based organizations for various projects, including church construction and renovation.

**11.The Mustard Seed Foundation:** Provides grants to churches and Christian organizations for start-up projects.

**12.Bank of America Charitable Foundation:** Offers grants to nonprofit organizations, including faith-based groups, focusing on community development and revitalization.



**13. Wells Fargo Foundation:** Provides grants to support community development, education, and cultural initiatives, including those led by faith-based organizations.

**14. The Koch Foundation:** Offers grants to Catholic organizations for a variety of religious and educational purposes.

**15. The Carylón Foundation:** Awards general support grants to organizations of various faiths, including Christian and interdenominational groups.



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