



## ***Sunflower 70s:*** Call for Applications

HK offers up to \$3,500 for communities to save their stories from the 1970s

### **Application Deadline**

September 1, 2022

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Since its founding in 1972, Humanities Kansas has explored bold stories and big ideas in every corner of Kansas—ideas about what it means to be human, to be part of a democracy, and to strengthen our communities. As we celebrate our first 50 years, **HK invites Kansas communities to save their own 1970s stories as part of the *Sunflower 70s* grant initiative.**

The 1970s were a time of change in Kansas. People across the state wrote to the newly formed Kansas Committee for the Humanities to say they wanted to talk about their concerns. Older residents worried about losing the rural way of life, an aging population, and a changing society. Younger residents were interested in equal rights, conservation, and an end to the Vietnam War.

*What events shaped the 1970s in your community?* Topics can include, but are not limited to:

- Changes in agricultural practices, policies, and ownership
- Environmental protections, nuclear power, and water conservation
- Changes in immigration patterns, foodways, and languages
- Social changes to family structures, education, and mobility
- Not sure? Let's brainstorm!

***Sunflower 70s*** grants provide up to \$3,500 to preserve and share the stories of this pivotal decade. With consultation with an HK Preservation Expert, grant funds can be used for:

- Archival boxes, sleeves, and other physical preservation materials
- Oral history recording equipment
- Digitization of photos and records for greater accessibility
- Staff and consultant time to work on the project
- Exhibit, panel discussion, and special event expenses
- Other items needed to document, preserve, and share the stories of this dynamic decade

### Applicants will demonstrate their interest in the following

- Identify 1970s stories from their community
- Determine preservation materials needs
- Designate a local coordinator to serve as the point-person for the project
- Engage with an HK preservation expert to develop the project
- Publicize and promote the project locally
- Host a public event in the community related to the project (in-person or online)
- Attend an HK planning meeting in Topeka (date TBD)
- Submit a project evaluation and cost share report at the project's conclusion

### Selected organizations will receive

- Up to \$3,500 to support the project and public program
- A skilled preservation expert knowledgeable of museum best practices
- Statewide publicity and promotion of the project
- Networking and training with a cohort of selected organizations

### Eligibility

- In-state nonprofits are eligible. 501(c)(3) status is not required, but applicants do need a Unique Entity ID from SAM.gov. *How do you get a UEID? Follow the [Quick Start Guide](#).*
- **NOTE:** Organizations with an open HK grant are not eligible. Universities and colleges are not eligible.

HK will select up to 12 project hosts based on the strength of the application, accompanying plans, geographic distribution, community partnerships, and enthusiasm for the project.

### How to Apply

- Applications are submitted to the online portal beginning July 14, 2022.
- It is recommended that you type your answers into a Word document and cut & paste your answers into the application fields.
- A concise narrative and budget are required. Detailed instructions will be available beginning July 14.

### Important Dates

Submission Deadline	Thursday, September 1 (11:59 PM)
Notification by HK	Friday, September 30
Project Cohort Workshop	TBD
Project Event Dates	November 1, 2022 – October 31, 2023



For ideas and to learn more about the 1970s in Kansas, listen to the HK podcast [Kansas 1972](#).

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