



**Mail or email grant application to:**

NHC AAUW Fellowship Fund  
c/o Linda Powers  
20422 Misty Crossing Lane  
Spring, TX 77379  
713.416.9457

September 8, 2025

Dear Prospective Grant Recipient:

We invite your organization to apply for a 2026-2027 North Harris County Branch AAUW (NHC AAUW) Fellowship Fund community grant. Monies received from fundraising projects, such as the annual NHC AAUW Outstanding Women Awards Luncheon, make these grants possible. Each applicant must be a **501(c)(3) organization**. While public schools themselves are not 501(c)(3)s, the school districts they belong to are.

The NHC AAUW Fellowship Fund Committee selects the grant recipients. Members evaluate the merit of each project based on its relevance to the AAUW Mission Statement: "The American Association of University Women (AAUW) advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research" and other pertinent criteria. ***If it is an educational grant, we give preference to new and innovative projects in Reading, STEM, the Arts, Nursing, or Community Service that will impact the community, especially women and girls. Projects we have funded in the past include:***

1. The Klein ISD Bridge Center Bistro grant to create a campus coffee shop for special needs 18+ students to learn how to make specialized coffee and treats, serve customers and bus and clean tables.
2. The Hope Center Houston grant to provide transportation and specialized medical care for homeless women. An Information booklet encouraging healthy choices and safe practices was also created, printed and distributed.
3. The Tomball ISD Makerspace grant to fund tools and raw materials for middle school students to experience STEM technologies with the assistance of high school engineering and robotic instructors.

Please include a description of the project in your application, conform to the format of the application form and complete all components. After September 15, you can download an application from our website (go to <https://nharriscounty-tx.aauw.net> and click on the Community Grant menu option). The application grant can be filled out online. PLEASE NOTE: This letter is not part of the grant application. Do not return it with the grant application. The grant application is the second attachment on this email. Please only return the grant application and any other supporting documents that are part of your

application. The third attachment is a list of requirements and suggestions that will improve your chances of being awarded a grant – PLEASE take the time to read those requirements and suggestions.

The committee awards grants based on proceeds from our *North Harris County AAUW Outstanding Women Awards Luncheon*. **We do not fund capital development, salaries, speakers, scholarships, or grant projects from other sources.** Audiovisual aids, software, and books for active learning projects are acceptable. Non-consumable items of significant value must remain with the organization at the conclusion of the project. We do not award grants to individuals or to for-profit entities. **To assure our committee that you are a 501(c)(3) organization or a non-profit organization for 501(c)(3) purposes such as a public school, please include a copy of your organization's Notice of Employer Identification Number that shows its non-profit status.**

Describe your project and specific grant request in detail so that the committee can give your project thoughtful attention. You will not be contacted if we do not understand a part of your application or if additional information is needed. **The project timeline begins with the awarding of the grant and continues until the end of the school year of the following year. This set of grants will run from February 21, 2026 to June 15, 2027.**

**Please submit one copy of your application with any attachments** (including one copy of the *Notice of Employer Identification Number* and one financial statement as described on the application in Section I, items H and I). **Submissions must be returned to the Fellowship Fund Committee postmarked no later than October 20, 2025, if you mail it. The application may also be submitted by emailing it to [contactlindapowers@gmail.com](mailto:contactlindapowers@gmail.com) before midnight on October 20, 2025. We will award grants at our North Harris County Outstanding Women Awards Luncheon on Saturday, February 21, 2026.**

**We can award grants up to \$6,000. Not all grant recipients will be awarded \$6,000. Some grants may be partially funded depending on our resources. Applicants will be evaluated by the Fellowship Fund Committee and the semi-finalists will be interviewed by the committee in November and December. The winning grant applications will be chosen in early January 2026. We hope to award at least \$35,000 this year.**

We have included, as the fourth attachment, the point system the committee uses to rate the grant proposals.

If you have any questions about this grant application, AAUW, or the NHC AAUW Fellowship Fund, please contact one of the Fellowship Fund Co-Vice Presidents below.

Sincerely,

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