

About the Terrell Heritage Society

Our History

The Terrell Heritage Society's work to preserve the community's history is closely connected to Terrell's historic Carnegie Library. The building opened to the public on March 15, 1904, and served as the city's public library for generations.

In 1973, as Terrell celebrated its centennial, the Terrell Heritage Society established a museum on the building's upper floor to preserve and share the community's history. When the public library relocated to its current facility in 1986, the Carnegie Library building became fully dedicated to museum use. What began as a museum housed within a historic public library developed into a lasting home for Terrell's historical collections and community stories.

Today, the Terrell Heritage Museum continues this legacy by preserving the materials, memories, and stories that document Terrell's past. The Society also works to support the restoration and long-term preservation of the Carnegie Library building, protecting an important part of the community's architectural and civic heritage.

Our Mission and Community Impact

The Terrell Heritage Society supports the preservation and interpretation of Terrell's history through the stewardship of the Terrell Heritage Museum, its collections, and its historic home. By connecting people with the community's past through education, storytelling, and engagement, the Society works to inspire a lasting appreciation for local heritage and the importance of preserving it.

The Society's work includes exhibitions, historical research resources, oral-history initiatives, educational presentations, workshops, group tours, Heritage Markets, and partnerships with local organizations, schools, businesses, and civic groups. These activities create opportunities for people of all ages to explore local history and contribute to the preservation of Terrell's shared heritage.

As a largely volunteer-led organization, the Terrell Heritage Society relies on the dedication and generosity of its members, volunteers, donors, and community partners. Membership, fundraising, public programming, and community events help sustain the Society's work and advance its preservation and educational goals.

Through its continued commitment to preservation, storytelling, and public engagement, the Terrell Heritage Society seeks to ensure that Terrell's history remains accessible, meaningful, and relevant for generations to come.

Website: <https://terrellheritage.org>

Membership: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/membership--2027>

Donations: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/c9d5983d-3180-4873-9329-b29dd4d3fbc6>

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