

ARCHIVAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS



The Historical Commission of the U.S. and Canadian Mennonite Brethren Churches announces two grants of up to \$2,000 to support the development of Mennonite archives around the world.

Projects may include, but are not limited to, funding to purchase computers, scanners, shelving, archival boxes and supplies; funding to help with organizing a conference, symposium, or publications; and funding to support an archival project (e.g., processing a donated collection, processing photos for Mennonite Archival Image Database).

To apply, send the following by June 30, 2026, to admin@mbhistory.org: 1) a cover letter; 2) a 500-word summary of the project and expected outcomes, stating the project's significance and contribution to the archive's mandate; 3) a budget of anticipated expenses (supplies, personnel, etc.);

and 4) a letter of recommendation from the national church overseer or advisory board chair.

Recipients of the award will be announced in fall 2026, following the annual meeting of the Historical Commission. Disbursements will also be made then. The Commission may choose not to award the grant if none of the applications is deemed acceptable.

The first grant is open to archives from the International Community of Mennonite Brethren Churches (ICOMB) outside the U.S. and Canada. These archives are encouraged to apply for development support.

The second grant is open to archives operating in the U.S. and Canada. These archives are encouraged to apply for development support, but preference will be given to archives serving Mennonite Brethren churches in the U.S. or Canada.



Application deadline:
June 30, 2026

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