

**ABANDONED AFRICAN-AMERICAN CEMETERIES GRANTS****FY2026 Recommended Funding List**

(Applications recommended for funding are not guaranteed funds and funding is contingent on an annual appropriation by the Florida Legislature and Governor approval)

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Project County</b>	<b>Grant Amount</b>	<b>Cumulative Recommended Amount</b>	<b>Average Score</b>
1	West Florida Historic Preservation, Inc.	Restoration of Vernacular Markers in Magnolia Cemetery	Escambia	\$50,000	\$50,000	95.60
2	Bethlehem Methodist Episcopal Cemetery Restoration Organization, Inc.	Cemetery Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) and Negative Vegetation Removal	Alachua	\$50,000	\$100,000	94.80
3	Pasco County Board of County Commissioners	Mt. Carmel Cemetery Delineation, Restoration, and Protection Project	Pasco	\$49,960	\$149,960	94.60
4	City of Melbourne	Unraveling History - Line Street Cemetery Security Fence and Signage	Brevard	\$50,000	\$199,960	94.40
5	Island Pond Cemeteries Restoration and Preservation, Incorporated	Island Pond One Cemetery Restoration and Preservation	Lake	\$50,000	\$249,960	93.20
6	Pinellas Genealogy Society	Living Relative Research for Clearwater's Erased Colored Cemetery - Phase II	Pinellas	\$50,000	\$299,960	90.60
7	City of Lake City, FL	Wilson Street Cemetery	Columbia	\$50,000	\$349,960	88.00
8	Cemetery Restoration and Preservation Society of North Florida, Inc.	Protecting the Past: Mitigation, Protection and Conservation of New Home African American Cemetery (also known as the Old Slave Cemetery)	Jefferson	\$50,000	\$399,960	86.60
Total					\$399,960	