2009 Preservation Grants
North Carolina Preservation Consortium

Braswell Memorial Library  $558.00
The Rehousing of Aerial Film grant funded purchase of acid-free aerial film boxes, custom made by Metal Edge Inc. for 70 reels of film in the Charles S. Killebrew aerial film collection. This collection contains aerial shots taken while on contract with the government. A 250-pound camera was mounted on a Cessna 195 from the 1940s through the 1990s. These photographs are an aerial history of Rocky Mount, NC. Killebrew owned Carolina Aerial Mapping Service Inc.

Durham County Library  $840.00
The Preserving Durham Urban Redevelopment Commission Audiotapes reformatting project converted 8 reel-to-reel audiotapes to CDs. The recordings capture meetings of Durham’s Urban Renewal Commission from 1968-1969. The Commission oversaw several projects of urban renewal aimed at combating urban blight. Target areas included Durham’s downtown and six historically black neighborhoods including Hayti and Northeast Central Durham.

Forsyth County Public Library  $2,000.00
Secure In-House Storage Area for Special Collections funded the installation of a locking wire mesh partition in a newly occupied library space. The cage will secure material in Special Collections at risk of theft. These items will be the focus of a preservation assessment.

Museum of Anthropology, Wake Forest University  $1,645.00
This grant funded the Painted Hide Conservation of a Comanche Native American hide dating from the mid-19th century. The child’s robe is significant because it is one of only two Southern Plains hides in the collection. Also rare for museums east of the Mississippi. This is a matching grant for a $3,000.00 grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

New Bern Historical Society  $1,000.00
The Historic Clothing Collection Assessment grant funds a collection condition survey of Civil War era clothing for men, women, and children. The centerpiece is a secessionist apron that is a rare example of surviving Confederate patriotic clothing. The collection includes approximately 150 items. A consultant will survey the condition of the collection and provide recommendations for conservation treatment priorities and improvements to storage and handling.