

# RESOURCES

Services  
for Everyone

**LIBRARY**  
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**Ask-A-Librarian—We love to hear from you** • Whenever you or your patrons have a question, please send us an email. We're glad to help. [ask.loc.gov](mailto:ask.loc.gov)

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**Free Reading Materials for People with Disabilities** • Our National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled (NLS) is a free library service for people with a temporary or permanent visual impairment, physical disability, or reading disability that prevents them from easily reading regular print. NLS offers books and magazines in audio and braille that can be instantly downloaded, played on a personal smart device, or mailed to a patron's home free of charge. The NLS collection has more than 160,000 titles - from current bestsellers to classics.

[loc.gov/thataillmayread](http://loc.gov/thataillmayread)

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**Become a Library of Congress Virtual Volunteer!** • Help improve search, access, and discovery of Library of Congress historical collections as a By the People virtual volunteer. Transcribe and review letters, diaries, and more and get to know the people behind the history! Current projects include Theodore Roosevelt, Clara Barton, Walt Whitman, Civil War letters, labor history, and 16th-19th century Spanish legal documents. By the People is entirely online - volunteer from anywhere. You don't even need an account to transcribe! [crowd.loc.gov](http://crowd.loc.gov)

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**Mystery Photographs: Calling All History Detectives** • Many old photos have very little description. You or your patrons can use their own expertise or research talents to expand identifications. Comments are also welcome! [flickr.com/photos/library\\_of\\_congress](https://www.flickr.com/photos/library_of_congress)

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**The Veterans History Project Field Kit** • Make history by helping the Veterans History Project (VHP) collect, preserve and make accessible the firsthand narratives of veterans and Gold Star family members. Fill out appropriate forms and follow the guidelines laid out in the VHP Field Kit. [go.loc.gov/FVH450NE3n9](http://go.loc.gov/FVH450NE3n9)

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**The Veterans History Project Brochure** • The United States Congress created the Veterans History Project (VHP) in 2000 as part of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress. VHP collects, preserves and makes accessible the firsthand remembrances of U.S. military veterans and Gold Star family members from World War I through the more recent conflicts. Anyone, including students ages 15 or older, can volunteer to participate. It's that easy to make history!

[go.loc.gov/NuQJ50MIXIt](http://go.loc.gov/NuQJ50MIXIt)



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**Law Library of Congress Legal Research Institute** • The Law Library of Congress Legal Research Institute offers free, online classes on how to research U.S. case law, federal statutes, and regulations. We also offer a class on Law Library of Congress collections that may be accessed online and a course on how to use the official site for federal legislative information, Congress.gov.

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**Internship and Fellowship Programs** • Internship and Fellowship Programs (IFP) promotes a portfolio of more than 70 programs throughout the Library of Congress. Search our Opportunities portal to find volunteer and paid opportunities and a wide range of applied learning and career development placements. Whether you're an undergraduate or graduate student, emerging professional, or established scholar, your career can find a launching pad in the world's largest library. 🌐 [loc.gov/ifp](https://loc.gov/ifp)

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**Of the People: Widening the Path** • Of the People: Widening the Path is a new, multiyear initiative to connect more deeply with Black, Hispanic, Indigenous and other minority communities by expanding collections, using technology to enable storytelling and offering more internship and fellowship opportunities, supported by a \$15 million investment from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. 🌐 [blogs.loc.gov/ofthepeople](https://blogs.loc.gov/ofthepeople)



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**Hispanic Section Latinx Civil Rights Research Guide** • This research guide from the Hispanic Reading Room focuses on 20th and 21st century American court cases, legislation, and events that had important impacts on civil rights in Chicana/o/x, Hispanic, Latina/o/x, Mexican-American and Puerto Rican communities. Find references to search and seizure, legal representation, self-incrimination, immigration, medical care, and equal access to educational resources. Since civil rights events are ongoing in Latina/o/x communities, these references aim to connect the past with the present.

🌐 [guides.loc.gov/latinx-civil-rights](https://guides.loc.gov/latinx-civil-rights)



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**Careers at the Library of Congress** • The Library of Congress offers exceptional opportunities to perform meaningful and unique work in a collaborative environment, one that values personal growth and achievement. The Library's reach is wide; therefore, we seek talent from many professional fields, including librarians, policy analysts, scientists, archivists, administrative and management specialists, accountants, contract specialists, data analysts, IT specialists, and visitor services specialists. Visit our Careers page to view the current job opportunities. 🌐 [loc.gov/careers](https://loc.gov/careers)



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**Library of Congress Literacy Awards** • Through the generosity of philanthropist David M. Rubenstein, the Library of Congress Literacy Awards Program honors nonprofit organizations that have made outstanding contributions to increasing literacy in the United States or abroad. The awards also encourage the continuing development of innovative methods for promoting literacy and the wide dissemination of the most effective practices. Learn how to apply or explore the map of awardees to connect with literacy organizations from around the world. [go.loc.gov/laWK50NE3nj](https://go.loc.gov/laWK50NE3nj)

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**Newspaper and Current Periodical Research** • Explore the Newspaper & Current Periodical Reading Room resources and services from anywhere in the world! Visit us in Washington, DC, or online to learn more about our extensive newspaper, current periodicals, government documents and comic book collections or contact us at ask.loc.gov/newspapers-periodicals. Also check out a variety of digitized and born digital collections including our flagship Chronicling America: Historic American Newspapers collection [chroniclingamerica.loc.gov](https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov) with 2.75 million issues and counting! [loc.gov/rr/news](https://loc.gov/rr/news)

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**Archive of Recorded Poetry and Literature** • The Archive of Recorded Poetry and Literature at the Library of Congress dates back to 1943, and contains nearly 2,000 recordings of poets and writers participating in literary events at the Library's Capitol Hill campus as well as sessions at the Library's Recording Laboratory. Explore the full collection online. [go.loc.gov/26ex50MIXqT](https://go.loc.gov/26ex50MIXqT)

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**Film Screenings** • The Library has the largest collection of motion pictures in the world and hosts regularly scheduled free screenings—most often in 35mm, but also in new digital presentations—at the Packard Campus Theater in Culpeper, VA, and the Mary Pickford Theater in Washington, DC. [go.loc.gov/aFGP50MIXu1](https://go.loc.gov/aFGP50MIXu1)

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**American Archive of Public Broadcasting Exhibits** • In addition to digitally preserving our nation's public television and radio heritage, the American Archive of Public Broadcasting (AAPB), a collaboration between the Library and WGBH in Boston, has curated more than 15 online exhibits, selected from more than 96,000 programs available online in the archive, on such topics as the southern Civil Rights Movement, Latino programming, the Watergate hearings, Native American public radio and television; and coverage of modern conservatism in the 1960s. [americanarchive.org/exhibits](https://americanarchive.org/exhibits)



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