

# Project Products

**Accelerating Promising Practices  
Community Memory Cohorts 2019-2023**



# Community Memory Cohorts

In 2019, WiLS began a cooperative agreement with the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to facilitate a cohort of ten libraries around the country that received **Accelerating Promising Practices** (APP) grants from IMLS. This opportunity was designed to help small, rural, and tribal libraries build capacity in several areas including **community memory**. A second cohort of seven libraries kicked off their grants in Fall 2020.



# Cohort 1

**Astoria Public Library** - Astoria, Oregon

**Benzonia Public Library** - Benzonia, Michigan

**Forbes Library** - Northampton, Massachusetts

**Hudson Area Library** - Hudson, New York

**Huna Heritage Foundation** - Hoonah, Alaska

**Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Library** - Sequim, Washington

**Jaquith Public Library** - Marshfield, Vermont

**Pella Public Library** - Pella, Iowa

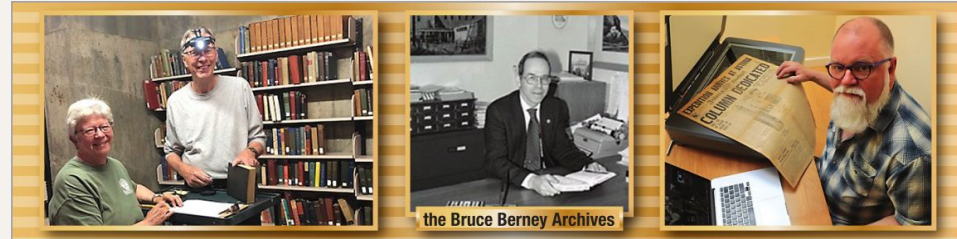
**Scott County Library System** - Eldridge, Iowa

**Southern California Library** - Los Angeles, California

# Astoria Public Library

## Astoria Public Library Archive

- An Introduction to the Historical Collection Work at Astoria Public Library
- The Astoria Public Library Archive Collections are Online
- (Re)Discovering Astoria at Astoria Public Library



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# Benzonia Public Library

## Remembering Benzie: An Oral History Project

- [Remembering Benzie YouTube Channel](#)
- [Remembering Benzie Publicity](#)
- [Benzie Area Historical Society and Museum: Remembering Benzie collaboration](#)



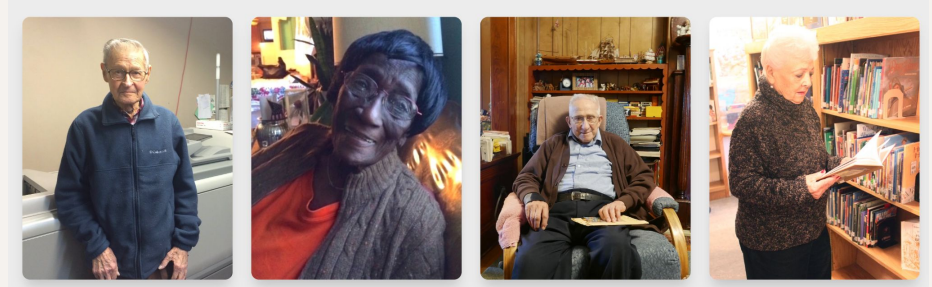
# Forbes Library

- Northampton Pride & Liberation: LGBT Voices from the Valley (partner organization using the Moving Memories Lab)
- Library project digitizes local peoples' stories (news article)



# Hudson Area Library

- [BLACC: Black Legacy Association of Columbia County Oral History Collection](#)
- [Hudson Area Library Oral History Project](#)
- [Community Library of Voice and Sound](#) (with Oral History Summer School)



- [Hudson Area Library Launches Online Access to Two Oral History Collections](#) (news item)

# Huna Heritage Foundation

## Documenting our Lineage



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# Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Library

## Digital Storytelling Videos



# Jaquith Public Library



- Marshfield Story Project and home interview kit
- Marshfield Story Project YouTube Channel
- Telling Tales: Marshfield collects stories from the town (news item)

# Pella Public Library

- [Pella Community Memory Database](#)
- [City of Pella: Pella Community Memory Database](#)
- [Pella Community Memory Database Project Status and Use Statistics](#)
- [Pella Community Memory Database Showcases Digital Archive \(news item\)](#)



**Pella Community  
Memory Database**

# Scott County Library System



- [Internet Archive: Scott County Community Memory Project](#)
- [Scott County Community Memory Project](#)
- [Scott County Memory Project Going Strong \[video\]](#)
- [Library memory project captures historic recollections \(news item\)](#)
- [Generation to Generation: A Genealogy Guide for Kids](#)
- [Our Story: A Grandparent Book](#)

# Southern California Library

- Southern California Library, a social justice archive located in Harvard Park, Los Angeles, partnered with [Color Coded](#), the University of California-Riverside, and others to develop and expand their practice of community documentation.



# Cohort 2

**Aniak City Library** - Aniak, Alaska

**Belfast Free Library** - Belfast, Maine

**Edith B. Ford Memorial Library** - Ovid, New York

**Lakeview Community Library** - Random Lake, Wisconsin

**Moore Free Library** - Newfane, Vermont

**Pennsylvania Horticultural Society** - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Twin Lakes Library System / Georgia College** - Milledgeville, Georgia

# Aniak City Library

- The Aniak City Library acquired digitization equipment, accepted a large collection of historic photographs, and took on other projects to build its reputation as a trusted resource for community memory, particularly among Yupik community elders.



# Belfast Free Library

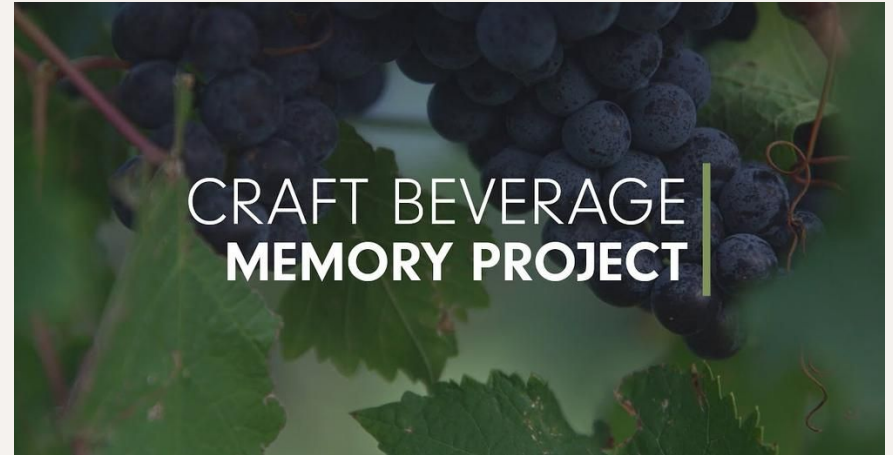
- [All of Belfast: Climate Dialogues \(ABCD\)](#)
- [What Made ABCD Work? Ideas for Other Communities to Model](#)
- [ABCD Final Presentation and Celebration](#)
- [All of Belfast Climate Dialogues to hold final presentation and celebration, Aug. 29 \(news item\)](#)





# Edith B. Ford Memorial Library

- [Craft Beverage Memory Project](#)
- [Craft Beverage Memory Project Facebook page](#)
- [Library launching a craft beverage memory project](#)  
(news item)

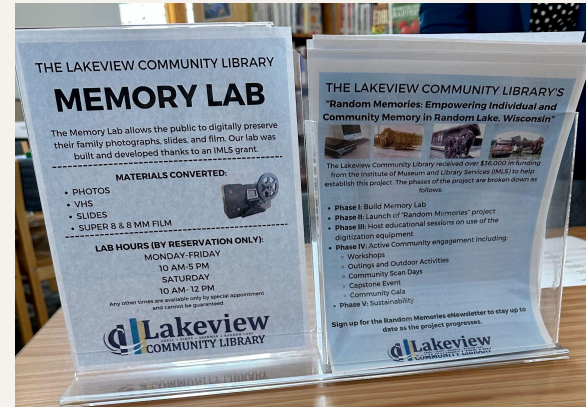


# Lakeview Community Library



## Random Memories Memory Lab

- Memory Lab Launch (social media)



# Moore Free Library

## Community Memory: Preserving History through Conversation

- Community Memory Volunteer Training
- Moore Free Library's Community Memory Project (Vermont Folklife news item)
- Library seeks volunteers for Community Memory project (news item)



# Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Library



## Philadelphia Community Gardens Memory Project

- [Philadelphia Community Gardens Memory Project YouTube Channel](#)
- [Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Collection - Archive-It](#)
- [Growing Open Data: A Guide To Making Open Historic Data For Community Gardens \(master's thesis for Temple University based on the Philadelphia Community Gardens Memory Project\)](#)
- [Norris Square Neighborhood Project featured in Community Gardens Memory Project \(news item\)](#)

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# Twin Lakes Library System / Georgia College & State University

## Central State Hospital exhibit & oral history project

- New exhibit explores history of Central State Hospital (news item)
  - Library Special Collections At GCSU Documents Stories About Central State Hospital (library news item)
  - Toward Engaged Scholarship: Knowledge Inclusivity and Collaborative Collection Development between Academic Libraries and Archives and Local Public Communities (article with case study of Central State Hospital memory project)
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