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NATIONAL ARCHIVES at ATLANTA
5780 Jonesboro Road    Morrow, Georgia 30260

Directions
The facility is located in Morrow, Georgia, approximately 10 miles south of Hartsfield Atlanta Airport.
From downtown Atlanta, take I-75 South to Exit 233, Morrow. Turn left onto Georgia Highway 54/Jonesboro Road. Travel approximately 1½ miles. The National Archives at Atlanta is the second building on the right after Clayton State Boulevard.

Contact Us!
Research hours: Tuesday–Saturday, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.
Exhibit Gallery hours: Tuesday–Saturday, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.
Closed Sundays, Federal holidays, and Saturdays that precede any Federal holiday which is observed on a Monday.

Hours subject to change due to special programs and weather. Please check our web site for current hours.

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At the National Archives in Atlanta you can see original historical documents, photographs, maps, drawings, artifacts, and much more, from over 100 Federal agencies. By law, we preserve and provide access to permanently valuable, non-current Federal records with historical, legal, or fiscal value.

- We sponsor programs that educate the public about archives, history, genealogy, and related subjects.
- We partner with schools, colleges and universities, historical and genealogical societies, veterans organizations, museums, and other archives.
- We host student interns, school groups, educators, and others who want to learn more about archives.
- We recruit and train volunteers and docents who want to learn more about history while helping researchers.

Access is free—to documents, displays and exhibits, online genealogy subscription services, workshops, events, and more.
Stories of the American Southeast

Attend exhibits, workshops, lectures, author talks, and more when visiting the National Archives at Atlanta. We offer specific activities geared toward children and educators. We also continue our tradition of providing monthly genealogy and family history programs.

Discover Your Heritage
History resides in the documents, photographs, illustrations, and artifacts of the National Archives. Take a moment to discover your heritage through our exhibits and programs, and you may conduct your own search in our research rooms.

Lobby Exhibit
A permanent exhibit highlights many noteworthy and fascinating historical documents within our collection, covering topics such as the Montgomery Bus Boycott, the people of the Tennessee Valley, court cases involving Elvis Presley, copyright for the Louisville Slugger baseball bat, and more. This exhibit gives a taste of many great stories that you can find in our 240 million pages of documents.

Special Exhibit Gallery
Our gallery hosts large, national traveling exhibits with historical themes. Check our web site to learn what is on display and what is coming soon.

Naturalization Ceremonies
The National Archives at Atlanta, in partnership with the Department of Homeland Security’s U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service, hosts naturalization ceremonies; new citizens take the Oath of Allegiance to the United States of America. These ceremonies are open to the public.

Featured Presentations

Democracy Starts Here This 11-minute film, produced by the Discovery Channel, reveals how records in the National Archives make a real difference in the lives of people. It is presented courtesy of the Foundation for the National Archives.

Stories of the Great Depression This 28-minute film, produced by the National Archives at Atlanta, presents stories from survivors of the Great Depression overlaid with powerful pictures from the era. Watch as your neighbors tell how they endured this difficult time in American history.
At the National Archives You Can…

**Explore Our Records**
Curious about history? Writing a school paper? Searching for information about the impact of Federal programs? Anyone who needs historical information created or received by the Federal Government—historians, genealogists, lawyers, scholars, Government officials, environmentalists, students, veterans—anyone may search our holdings for answers.

Our records are diverse in form and content, including correspondence, name lists, reports, contracts, case files, photographs, maps, posters, and drawings which document the actions and reactions of the Government and the American people as they dealt with issues and events such as immigration and naturalization, the environment, technological change, the Great Depression, war, and the evolution of a multicultural nation.

Two public research areas are available to you—the research room, for use of original documents from our holdings, and the computer search room for use of online and microfilmed materials.

**Consult Our Expert Staff**
We are here to help you with your questions. In fact, we encourage you to ask us questions. If you have a specific need or just need help, our staff is here to guide you to your answers as you get started and throughout your exploration. If during your search you do not find the needle in the haystack you are seeking, you will find something unexpected, unique, and fascinating.

There is no digital substitute for the experience of holding an authentic historical record, for being on-site as you learn from professionals how to search documents while you discover your own connections to our nation’s past.

“Where else can the great granddaughter of a slave, like me, sit down next to a Civil War reenactor and talk about things we have in common?”
—Anonymous visitor from Alabama

“It was so much fun to watch teachers pour through files and talk about ways that they could share this experience with their students. Your partnership exemplifies the purposes of the Teaching American History [TAH] grant program.”
—TAH Grant Director, Williamson County, TN
Discover Our Education Programs

For Students
Looking for materials to use for reports, in class, or to support your National History Day project? Use our records:

- as primary sources for your research or National History Day project,
- to demonstrate or illustrate the questions or answers in your paper, or
- to enhance your presentation

For Educators
We assist teachers and home-schooling parents in the use of primary source documents with curriculum. Resources permitting, we:

- teach workshops for educators at our facility or in schools.
- provide copies or images of primary sources suitable for use in the classroom.
- co-sponsor workshops with recipients of Teaching American History grants.
- provide educational materials containing primary source documents tied to state teaching standards, in the Southeast region, for use in the classroom.

Field Trips and On-Site Visits
Refresh your learning objectives with customized field trips. Work with our education staff to custom-design an interactive, hands-on learning experience that includes a tour of exhibits with our staff. (Educators receive pre-visit and post-visit curriculum materials.) All programs are standards-based and emphasize cross-curricular connections.

Primary records can support school curriculum and cover a wide scope of topics including: the slave trade, Reconstruction, the Jim Crow era, the Great Depression, the home front during the World Wars, the Cold War, and the Civil Rights movement, and more.

Look for Your Family History

Your family’s story is unique. Using the National Archives at Atlanta, you can uncover pieces of your family’s history. You can search for clues; you do not have to be a historian; these are your records. Guided by our expert staff available on-site, you can use documents and online resources to search, and perhaps find out how your family’s story and those of others defined the American Southeast.

We help many visitors start their own family heritage research as they learn to use, for example, the Federal population censuses for all states (1790–1930), World War I draft registration cards, military service indexes, pension indexes, passenger arrival lists, and naturalization records for the Southeast.

We are here to help. Why wait? Contact us, visit us, or find us online at www.archives.gov/southeast.

Free computer access is available for researchers wanting to view Ancestry, Heritage Quest, or Footnote for family history.

“Thank you so much for teaching our genealogy class . . . I had a great time! I was so excited when I found information on my grandfather and my great grandfather.”
—Student at North Atlanta Girls School
Anyone who has cleaned out a family attic knows the importance of keeping family records. You may have military records from relatives who served in one of the World Wars—or even the Civil War. Or pictures of your great-great grandparents on the day they became American citizens. Now imagine the task of the National Archives and Records Administration—record keepers for all historically valuable records created by agencies of your Federal Government.

From one building on Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, DC, the National Archives has grown to 13 archives locations nationwide, from Atlanta to Anchorage.

Our staff is here and ready to assist you. Because research is time-consuming, you may need to visit more than once. Please call 770-968-2100 before visiting to assure that records are available.

Please bring identification such as a driver’s license, passport, or student ID so that we can issue you a researcher’s card.

Please plan on leaving your personal belongings in a locker. Laptop computers are permitted.

For a fee, our staff will make or arrange for copies of records and provide certified copies for legal use.

You can use self-service copiers for a fee to make paper copies from microfilm.

Self-service copying of original records may be allowed, depending on the condition of the records.

Conference and event areas within the National Archives at Atlanta may be available for certain events such as corporate programs, non-partisan elections, family reunions, professional meetings, workshops, lecture series, etc. To inquire about criteria and availability, call us, or send an e-mail to morrow.resources@nara.gov.

“Becoming a citizen at the National Archives on the Fourth of July was more than I could have imagined.”

—A citizen, after taking the Oath of Allegiance at the National Archives at Atlanta