While our research rooms, museums, and Presidential Libraries are closed due to the ongoing health crisis, you can always turn to the National Archives for a wide selection of online content and to conduct research in our Catalog.

Whether you are a student, an educator, a genealogist and even a curious nerd, we offer a multitude of ways for people at home to enrich their understanding of our nation's history through our records and even contribute to our mission. All from the comfort of your couch!

*President Richard Nixon and First Lady Pat Nixon in the Living Room of the Western White House, La Casa Pacifica, San Clemente, California, 1/13/1971. [National Archives Identifier 194344]*
Ready for an #ArchivesAtHome challenge? We’re looking to transcribe some of our biggest files on the online Catalog!

For our latest challenge, help transcribe the 409 page Disapproved Pension Application File for Hannah J. Fulkerson, Widow of 1st Lieutenant Abram Fulkerson.

Was she actually a horse thief, a madam, and a Confederate sympathizer, or does everyone in the town just hate her? Find a page without a blue tag and start transcribing!

New to the citizen archivist program? Learn how to register and get started.

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Color the Catalog

Do you or the children in your life need some quiet time? Try some coloring!

We’ve chosen some of our favorite drawings from our holdings to create two sets of coloring pages: Patent Drawings and Lighthouses.
Show us your artwork! Tweet a photo @USNatArchives

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**Education Resources**

The National Archives has a wide variety of resources for parents and educators! Our Education staff have created a helpful list in one place in our Education Updates blog. This post features free online webinars, primary sources, lesson plans, and more.

Looking for fun ways to engage kids in finding family history? We have downloadable
family trees and charts for kids of all ages. Plus, find instructions for making a “food family tree” based on family members’ favorite foods!

History Hub

Have a question? Find your answer on History Hub!

History Hub is our support community for researchers, genealogists, history enthusiasts, and citizen archivists. Ask questions, share information, work together, and find help based on experience and interests. Researchers can ask—or answer—questions on History Hub, or search to see if a question has been asked before.

History Hub offers tools like discussion boards, blogs, and community pages to bring together experts and researchers interested in American history. Think of it as a one-stop
shop for crowdsourcing information related to your research subject.

Popular current topics include:

- “Seeking information on my aunt, a woman code breaker during WWII”
- “Questions about the 1810 Census from North Carolina”
- “Seeking records about the USPS”

Citizen Archivists, there's a group just for you! You can share tips and strategies, find new challenges, and get support for your work. Get started with our poll: What kinds of records do you like to transcribe?

Welcome New Citizen Archivists!

In the last few weeks we have gained many new Citizen Archivists. We’re so happy you are here! You probably have lots of questions and we’re here to help. Check out our Catalog Newsletter 101. You’ll find information about becoming a Citizen Archivist and links to explore many popular National Archives records.

World War II Posters, 1942-1945, "I've Found the Job." National Archives Identifier 513613

Are you following the National Archives on Instagram? In addition to daily featured
documents, check out the Story Highlights for a step-by-step tutorial on getting started as a Citizen Archivist!

Get started contributing!

We recognize that this is an unprecedented and very difficult time for everyone. We hope that our offerings can provide a way for Americans to grow in their understanding of the historical record, and even to give something back to the nation, as we do what we need to do to stay safe and get through this crisis together.

Private First Class Benny Barrow Helps a Buddy in the Hurtgen Forest, Germany, 11/18/1944.

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COVID-19 Update

The National Archives is committed to the health and safety of our visitors and staff. We are closely monitoring the situation regarding COVID-19, and we are working with public health officials and our counterpart agencies to monitor and respond to the evolving conditions and following CDC guidelines.

For more information, visit https://www.archives.gov/coronavirus