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Processing an Interview



Volunteers are Valuable in Processing Oral Histories

You have conducted a great interview but now what? It can pose a challenge for a researcher to use raw oral history interviews. Fast forwarding and rewinding through interviews can take a lot of time and is not an accurate way of searching and exploring the large quantities of information contained in a single interview. For this reason oral historians provide researchers with tools to help them in their search and use of oral history interviews. This section will describe two different methods: transcription and digital indexing. Both methods have been used in the construction of the Audio Video Barn and will serve as excellent examples of a finished product.

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