



Guide to the Las Vegas Victims' Fund Records

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Nevada Resort Association
Title:	Las Vegas Victims' Fund Records
ID:	MS-01200
Date [inclusive]:	2017 to 2019
Physical Description:	1.94 Cubic Feet (3 boxes)
Physical Description:	1.63 Linear Feet
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Abstract:	The Las Vegas Victims' Fund Records (2017-2019) include comments on the draft protocols for fund disbursement, donation checks and donor tax letters, committee meeting agendas, IRS origination documents, bylaws, business licensing documents, bank statements, and a community needs assessment.

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Organizational Note

The Las Vegas Victims' Fund was a 501(c)(3) nonprofit formed by the Nevada Resort Association at the behest of Clark County following the October 1, 2017 shooting at Route 91 Harvest Festival. Donations to this nonprofit went directly to shooting victims who met the criteria specified by the Las Vegas Victims' Fund committee. Money in the LVVF went to people in three categories: families of those killed in the shooting and individuals permanently injured and those requiring continuous home medical assistance; individuals physically injured and admitted to a hospital for at least one overnight stay on or before October 10, 2017; and individuals physically injured and were treated on an emergency or outpatient basis on or before October 10, 2017.

The LVVF was created October 1, 2017 and closed April 1, 2018. In total, the nonprofit distributed \$32,023,000.00 to 515 beneficiaries, victims, survivors, and families.

The Las Vegas Victims' Fund was a separate non-profit from the Vegas Strong Fund, which was formed to oversee fundraising, design, and construction of the 1 October memorial project. Since 2017, additional non-profit funds and settlements have been administered by various organizations and corporations in support of victims of the Route 91 Harvest Festival shooting.

Sources:

"Resort industry raises \$1M to help Las Vegas shooting victims," 2017 December 21. *Las Vegas Review-Journal*. Accessed November 5, 2024. <https://www.reviewjournal.com/crime/shootings/resort-industry-raises-12m-to-help-las-vegas-shooting-victims/>

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"Las Vegas shooting victims' fund starts giving out \$31.4 million in donations," 2018 March 6. CNN. Accessed November 8, 2024. <https://www.cnn.com/2018/03/06/us/las-vegas-victims-fund/index.html>

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Scope and Contents Note

The Las Vegas Victims' Fund Records (2017-2019) include comments on the draft protocols for fund disbursement, donation checks and donor tax letters, committee meeting agendas, IRS origination documents, bylaws, business licensing documents, bank statements, and a community needs assessment. The public comments on the draft fund protocols include personal stories from victims, as well as friends and relatives of victims, which detail events from the night of the shooting and occasionally include photographs of injuries.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research, with the exception of materials that are restricted to protect personally identifiable information. Materials that are restricted are noted at the file level of this inventory and will be open for research use on January 1, 2022.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2024 by Nevada Resort Association via Virginia Valentine (President and CEO); accession number 2024-118.

Appraisal

Acquired by Visual Materials Curator, Aaron Mayes, as part of UNLV Special Collections and Archives holdings on Las Vegas history. All material that formed the original gift has been retained.

Processing Note

In 2024, Sarah Jones accessioned the collection, removed materials from binders, foldered and reboxed the collection, and created the finding aid in ArchivesSpace.

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Names and Subjects

- Las Vegas Shooting, Las Vegas, Nev., 2017
- Mass shootings
- Fund raising
- Nonprofit organizations -- Nevada
- Disaster relief
- Las Vegas Victims' Fund
- Route 91 Harvest (Music festival)

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
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"Donations from Allegiant" donor tax letters, 2018 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 01
Las Vegas Victims' Fund bank deposit slips for checks (photocopies), 2017 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 01
Las Vegas Victims' Fund organizational documents and meeting minutes, 2017 to 2019 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 02
Public comments on Las Vegas Victims' Fund draft protocol for fund disbursement, 2017 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 02
Annotated public comments on Las Vegas Victims' Fund draft protocol for fund disbursement, 2017 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 02
Las Vegas Victims' Fund meeting agenda, committee list, and protocol distribution estimates, 2017	box 02
Compiled list of all checks deposited to Nevada State Bank on behalf of the Las Vegas Victims' Fund, 2017 October to 2017 December	box 02
Compiled list of all checks received by mail, amount, and donor information, 2017 October to 2017 December	box 02
Checks forwarded to other charities or donation funds, 2017 to 2018	box 02
Final voided \$0.59 check disbursed from the Las Vegas Victims' Fund, 2019 January 29	box 02
Las Vegas Victims' Fund website development statement of work, 2017	box 02
Donation checks and donor tax letters (A-Z binder), 2017 Physical Description: 2 Files Restricted: Materials are restricted to protect personally identifiable information and will be open for research use on January 1, 2092. Restricted materials are housed in Box 03.	box 03
Donation checks and envelopes (photocopies), 2017 Physical Description: 3 Files Restricted: Materials are restricted to protect personally identifiable information and will be open for research use on January 1, 2092. Restricted materials are housed in Box 03.	box 03