



Guide to the Verlean Whitley oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	Oral history interview with Verlean Whitley conducted by Jasmine Smith on November 26, 2014 for the African Americans in Las Vegas: a Collaborative Oral History Project. Whitley talks about her parents and upbringing in Arkansas and traveling to Las Vegas, Nevada by bus in her late teens to live with relatives. She continues discussing her marriage and work, her church and community activities, and efforts to encourage voting in the late 1960s. She also mentions her involvement with the NAACP, her concerns about the closure of F Street in 2008 and her hopes for the revitalization of the Westside community.

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Scope and Contents Note

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involvement with the NAACP, her concerns about the closure of F Street in 2008 and her hopes for the revitalization of the Westside community. Digital video available; no transcript available.

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