

# Guide to the Francisco Rufino-Parra oral history interview

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## **Summary Information**

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**Abstract:** Oral history interview with Francisco Rufino-Parra conducted

by Barbara Tabach on December 06, 2018 for the Latinx Voices of Southern Nevada Oral History Project. In this interview, Parra discusses his family background and immigrating to the United States from Mexico in 1989. He recalls moving to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1994 and describes his first impressions of the city. Parra then talks about his employment at the Paris Las Vegas Hotel and Casino as a dishwasher, being promoted, and becoming a member of Culinary Workers Union Local 226. He explains his role as shop steward for the Culinary Workers Union and describes the union strikes in 2018. Later, Parra discusses raising his three children in Las Vegas, living in a bilingual household, and how he has learned many languages from working in the hospitality industry. Lastly, Parra recalls visiting his birthplace and becoming a United States citizen.

#### **Preferred Citation**

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## **Scope and Contents Note**

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Latinxs
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Mexican Americans
- Immigrants
- Food service
- Culinary Workers Union Local 226