Collaborative Practices for Archiving Farmworker Communities’ Histories

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This project helps build a sustainable future where academic libraries are engaged with their communities, highlighting stories of minoritized, misunderstood, and misrepresented people.

Partnering With A Purpose

Two academic libraries and two Florida farmworker community-based organizations are collaborating to design an archival plan to preserve and make accessible their work and impact.

Essential But Hidden

Academic archives provide a historical record that should mirror the experiences of all citizens in order to inform social progress.

COVID’s impact on Florida farmworkers made it clear that farmworkers are essential, but their experiences are hidden.

Lending A Hand

Collaboration starts by building trust and making commitments to understand each other by volunteering at community organization events.

Community Archival Material

Content to be preserved and shared is selected by the community organizations.

In year two, this project will focus on farmworker support organizations in south Florida.

Best Practices Guide

Training materials from lessons learned are being developed to encourage national replicability.

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