

Voices of Chatham

Language and Oral History Project

Call for Volunteers ~ Summer 2021

Share Your Story!



Great news! The Voices of Chatham interview project is back! The project team's graduate students are eager to sign up volunteers to talk to (for about one hour). If you have lived in Chatham for at least 75% of your life, please sign up and tell your story (which is Chatham's story)!



The team has already interviewed more than 50 Chatham residents ranging from 16 to 100 years of age, but had to put the project on hold during the pandemic. The interviews are being recorded so the group can study the changing language of Chatham and to save the stories of Chatham residents for future generations. We hope you'll participate!

In the summer of 2019, the Language and Life Project (LLP), in cooperation with the Chatham County Historical Association (CCHA), started conducting interviews to study and archive changing language and life in Chatham County. The team hopes to complete at least 50 more interviews this summer.



While the main goal of the NC State team is to study the changing language of life-long county residents, the project will also save the stories of those residents about life in Chatham County—providing a rich historical resource for the future. From young adults to great grandparents, every person's story reveals something significant about life in Chatham County.

The graduate student interviewers will set up a time and place that is convenient for you. Just send Mia Shang an email at mvshang@ncsu.edu, or fill out the form at this link:

<https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSdC33eIF.../viewform>

You can find more info on the Voices of Chatham website: <http://voicesofchatham.org/>



The group is especially eager to interview more participants in the 18-45 age group. If that's you, please sign up! If not, we still want to record your story, but please help out by encouraging your younger friends and relatives to participate as well.

Thank you!