Walk-in Newspaper Research
Tuesday - Saturday
9 am to 1 pm
702-822-8751

Hours are subject to change without notice. Please call ahead to make sure that the library will be open.

All Other Research
- maps, personal papers,
- phonebooks, etc.

Online via email or by appointment only

Contact the research librarian to make an appointment or to ask a research question:
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Brochure from MS 038, Gene Segerblom Collection (on permanent exhibit at NSMLV)
WHAT IS THE CAHLAN RESEARCH LIBRARY?

Broadly speaking, the Cahlan Research Library is a special library because it contains material of specialized interest. While public libraries contain materials on almost every topic imaginable, special libraries have a narrower focus (specialized interest). In the case of the Cahlan Research Library at Nevada State Museum, Las Vegas, our specialized interest is the history of Nevada, with an emphasis on southern Nevada. Although we are not an academic library, our collections can be compared to university special collections. Famous examples of special libraries are the Library of Congress and presidential libraries.

Because items in the research library are museum artifacts that require special care, the library cannot be browsed. Additionally, material cannot be checked out from the library. In some cases, you may be required to use gloves to handle the material. Due to staffing shortages, anything other than newspaper research requires an appointment.

Visit http://bit.ly/nsmlv-library for more information or to register as a researcher.

EXAMPLE ARTIFACTS

MANUSCRIPTS
correspondence, organizational records, unpublished material

NEWSPAPERS
local papers on microfilm & physical copies

HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS
yearbooks, phonebooks, cultural resource reports, etc.

EPHEMERA
ticket stubs, programs, flyers, news clippings, etc.

BOOKS
out-of print, rare, and hard to find books on Nevada topics

AND MORE

Above and front cover: Map of Mexico & Guatemala. 1847 (Cahlan Research Library Map VM-2001-024-004)