Guide to LGBTQ Archival Repositories in the United States

Many archival repositories and organizations have historical material related to LGBTQ people. The institutions selected here represent some of the most comprehensive collections in the United States. This list is intended to help researchers locate repositories that may be of interest, but it is not exhaustive. Researchers are also encouraged to review the Society of American Archivists Lavender Legacies Guide to Sources in North America: https://www2.archivists.org/groups/diverse-sexuality-and-gender-section/lavender-legacies-guide.

Western:


University of California, San Francisco Archives and Special Collections, AIDS History Project. San Francisco, CA. https://www.library.ucsf.edu/archives/

Bay Area Lesbian Archives. Oakland, CA. https://www.bayarealesbianarchives.org/

Louise Lawrence Transgender Archive. Vallejo, CA. https://lltransarchive.org/

ONE Archives at USC. Los Angeles, CA. https://one.usc.edu/


Lambda Archives of San Diego. San Diego, CA. https://lambdaarchives.org/

Arizona Queer Archives, the State of Arizona’s Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex collecting archives of the Institute for LGBT Studies at the University of Arizona. Tucson, AZ. http://azqueerarchives.org/

Midwestern:


Gerber/Hart Library and Archives. Chicago, IL. https://www.gerberhart.org/

Jean-Nickolaus Tretter Collection in Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Studies at the University of Minnesota. Minneapolis, MN. https://www.lib.umn.edu/tretter

Kinsey Institute Library & Special Collections. Bloomington, IN.
https://kinseyinstitute.org/collections/index.php

**Southern:**


LGBT+ Archives Project of Louisiana. New Orleans, LA. [https://www.lgbtarchiveslouisiana.org/](https://www.lgbtarchiveslouisiana.org/)


**Eastern:**


Lesbian Herstory Archives. Brooklyn, NY. [https://lesbianherstoryarchives.org/](https://lesbianherstoryarchives.org/)


**Additional Organizations and Online Projects:**


Black Lesbian Archives. [https://blacklesbianarchives.wixsite.com/info](https://blacklesbianarchives.wixsite.com/info)

Digital Transgender Archive. [https://www.digitaltransgenderarchive.net/](https://www.digitaltransgenderarchive.net/)


LGBTQ Religious Archives Network. [https://lgbtqreligiousarchives.org/](https://lgbtqreligiousarchives.org/)

New York City Trans Oral History Project. [https://www.nyctransoralhistory.org/](https://www.nyctransoralhistory.org/)


OUTWORDS. [https://theoutwordsarchive.org/](https://theoutwordsarchive.org/)