Scope and Content
The Powder Springs Collection is the compilation of documents produced and collected by the Center for Public History’s Powder Springs Project, a seventeen-month project to document and present the history of an historic African American community in Powder Springs, Georgia. Beginning in January 2006, the Center conducted twenty-two oral history interviews and undertook historical and archival research through funds provided by the Federal Highway Administration, Georgia Division, and the City of Powder Springs. Katina Lear, Community Involvement Specialist at the Georgia Department of Transportation, and Dr. Ann Mc Cleary, Director of the Center for Public History, designed the project and worked together throughout its implementation. UWG history faculty member Dr. Stephanie Wright served as consulting historian for the project and graduate history student Catherine Hendricks as co-director. A number of University of West Georgia undergraduate and graduate students worked on the project either through class projects or individually. Those classes involved included the Spring Semester 2006 oral history class taught by Dr. Rebecca Bailey and the Summer Semester 2006 community history practicum class taught by Dr. Mc Cleary. Those students who individually composed the core Powder Springs Project team were Justin Arrington, Jihan George Bradford, Joshua Head, Catherine Hendricks, Latresia Locklin, Sarah Middlemast, William Nesbitt, Mary Swinchatt, and Levi Young.

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The Powder Springs Collection interview tapes are housed alphabetically with the interview tapes in the Center for Public History catalog drawers.  

Search terms/Key words  
Powder Springs, Ga.; Cobb County, Ga.; Georgia history; Black history  

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