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Commissioner Buckingham Announces VLB Voices of Veterans Program's Partnership with the Texas Oral History Locator Database at Baylor University

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AUSTIN — Today, Texas Land Commissioner and Veterans Land Board (VLB) Chairwoman Dawn Buckingham, M.D. was honored to announce that the VLB Voices of Veterans Oral History Program is part of the Texas Oral History Locator Database (TOLD) at Baylor University.

TOLD was created in 2022 by the Texas Oral History Association and Baylor University Institute of Oral History. This remarkable online database aims to identify and preserve as many oral history collections as possible. Researchers and history enthusiasts can easily search the database and connect with the managers and websites of unique oral history archives.

"Preserving the stories of our courageous Veterans is a responsibility I take seriously as VLB Chairwoman, and it is an immense honor for our Voices of Veterans Oral History program to be included in the Texas Oral History Locator Database. Through this partnership, Voices of Veterans will reach more historians, researchers, and Texas history buffs than ever before. By expanding the reach of Voices of Veterans, we will help ensure that the memories of our Veterans and the lessons their stories teach us are accessible to future generations. I want to thank VLB staff for their diligent work in submitting Voices of Veterans to TOLD, and the Texas Oral History Association and Baylor University Institute for Oral History for their support."

TEXAS ORAL HISTORY LOCATOR DATABASE A project of  **Baylor University**
UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

Keyword Search Across All Info Directory of Archives

Search	Institution	Archive	Total Interviews	Interviews Online	Projects in TOLD	Actively Adding Interviews?	Web	Email	Google Maps
<input type="text"/>	St. Edward's University	Our China Story	100	100		Yes			
Filter Archive Info	Stephen F. Austin State University	East Texas Research Center	2,100	1,564		Yes			
Access to Materials	Texas A&M University-Commerce	Velma K. Waters Library, Archives	2,200	65		No			
Restrictions to Materials	Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi	TAMU-CC Special Collections and Archives	799	33		Yes			
Filter Project Info	Texas General Land Office	Voices of Veterans	527	527		Yes			
Project Themes	Texas State University	University Archives	300	130		Yes			
Project Populations	Texas Tech University	Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library	13,500	750		Yes			
Project Decades	The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza	The Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza	2,500	700		Yes			
Totals (showing 1 archive)	Trinity University	Special Collections and Archives, Coates	85	25		Yes			

Total Interviews  117
Interviews Online  117
Unique Projects | 1

 Click to view details: Voices of Veterans (Texas General Land Office)

TOLD archives are from around the state and are supplied by many sources, including universities, public libraries, historical societies and commissions, and museums. The database has around 40,000 total interviews and nearly 700 projects, or distinct groups of interviews within the more extensive collections.

Adding the VLB Voices of Veterans program's hundreds of Veterans interviews to the growing TOLD archive will help shape the tapestry of Texas' rich history and glorify the memories of our Veterans in the hearts and minds of Texans forever.

To learn more about TOLD and view the oral history database, click the button below:

[Texas Oral History Locator Database](#)

Veterans can email VoicesofVeterans@glo.texas.gov to tell their stories. Please note that the Veteran must be a resident of Texas at the time of their interview.

Voices of Veterans is a state agency's first Veteran oral history program. It records the stories of Texas Veterans through their time in service and after returning home from combat.

The VLB records interviews with veterans over the phone or in person. Their interviews are then permanently archived in the Office of Veterans Records at the GLO, where they join the historical documents of other Texas heroes such as Sam Houston, Davy Crockett, Jim Bowie, and William Barret Travis.

Veterans' interviews are also available to researchers, historians, genealogists, and the public. These precious records inspire future generations and remind us of our Veterans' sacrifices.

To listen to the over 500 archived stories of Veterans documented through the GLO's Voices of Veterans oral history program, click the button below:

[Voices of Veterans](#)