

California Room

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, 5th Floor 150 E. San Fernando St. San Jose, CA 95112 (408) 808-2167 sjpl.org/CARoom

Hours

Monday 1 PM-6 PM
Tuesday 11 AM-6 PM
Wednesday 11 AM-6 PM
Thursday 11 AM-6 PM
Friday 11 AM-6 PM
Saturday 1 PM-6 PM
Sunday Closed



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Overview

The California Room collects historical materials with an emphasis on San José and Santa Clara Valley. Subjects include California ethnic groups, the Gold Rush, indigenous people, missions and railroads. Our most popular research materials include maps, aerial photographs, city directories, and newspaper clippings and fiche.

FY 2021/22 Facts

Staff5Number of Visits3,864Physical Collection57,639Digital Collection55,226

Collection Types

- Books
- Yearbooks
- Directories
- Government records
- Newspapers
- Maps
- Photographs
- Videos
- Audio recordings
- Periodicals
- Sheet music
- Ephemera
- Artifacts

Technology

- Microfilm readers
- Portable scanners
- Photocopier
- Two research computers

2021 22 Special Programs

July-September 2022

East Side Dreams: The Untold Story of East San Jose (exhibit)

August 13th. 2022

Growing up East Side (speaker event)

September 3rd, 2022

East Side Stories (speaker event)

Partners

- History San José
- Santa Clara County Archives
- Santa Clara University Archives
- Sourisseau Academy
- SJSU Special Collections and Archives
- SJSU Africana, Asian American, Chicano, & Native American Studies Center





