

# Corpus Christi Public Libraries

Local History Department

LA RETAMIA  
PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

HOURS - Every week day except Saturday 10 AM - 9 PM  
Saturdays 10 AM - 7 PM



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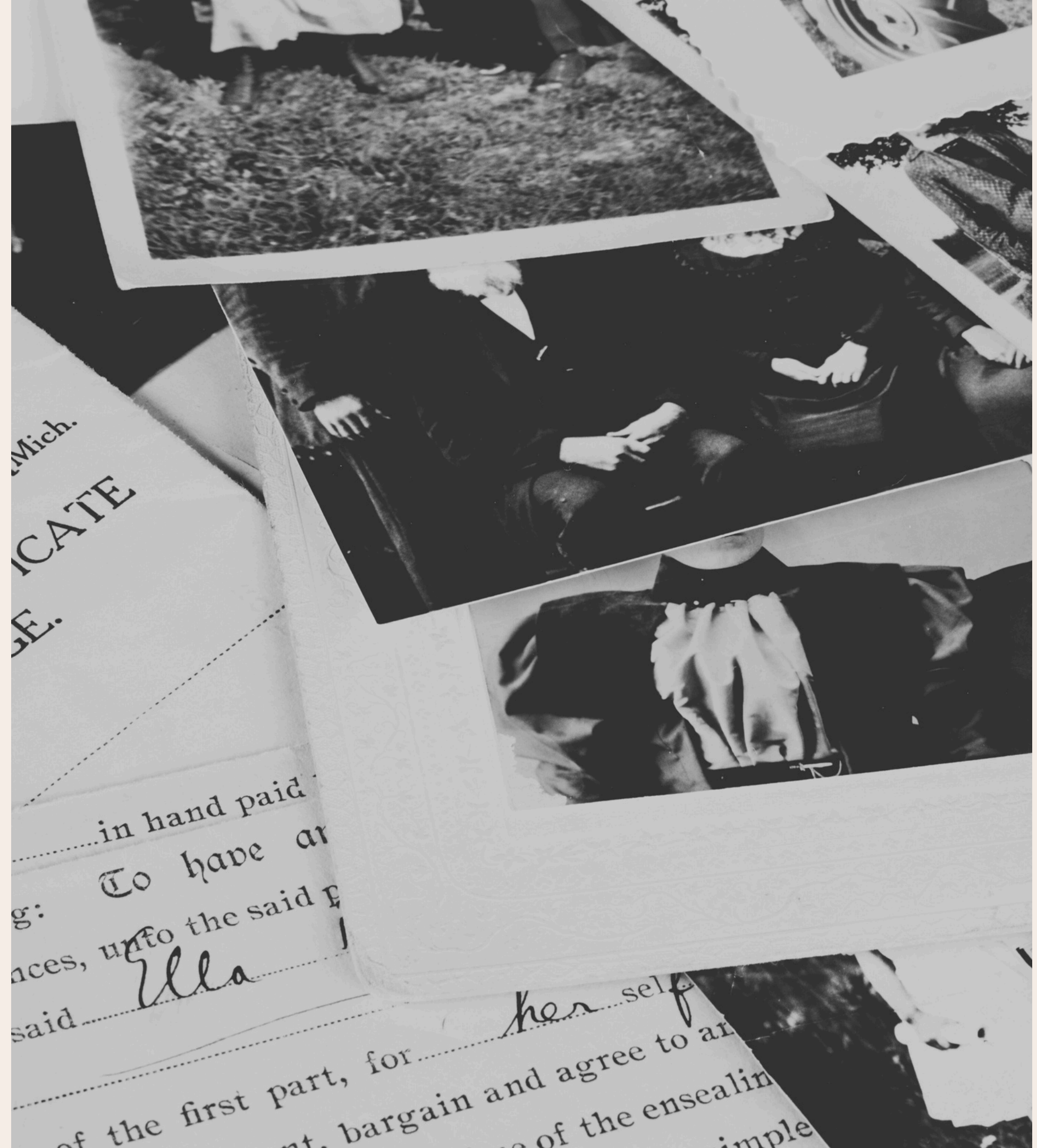
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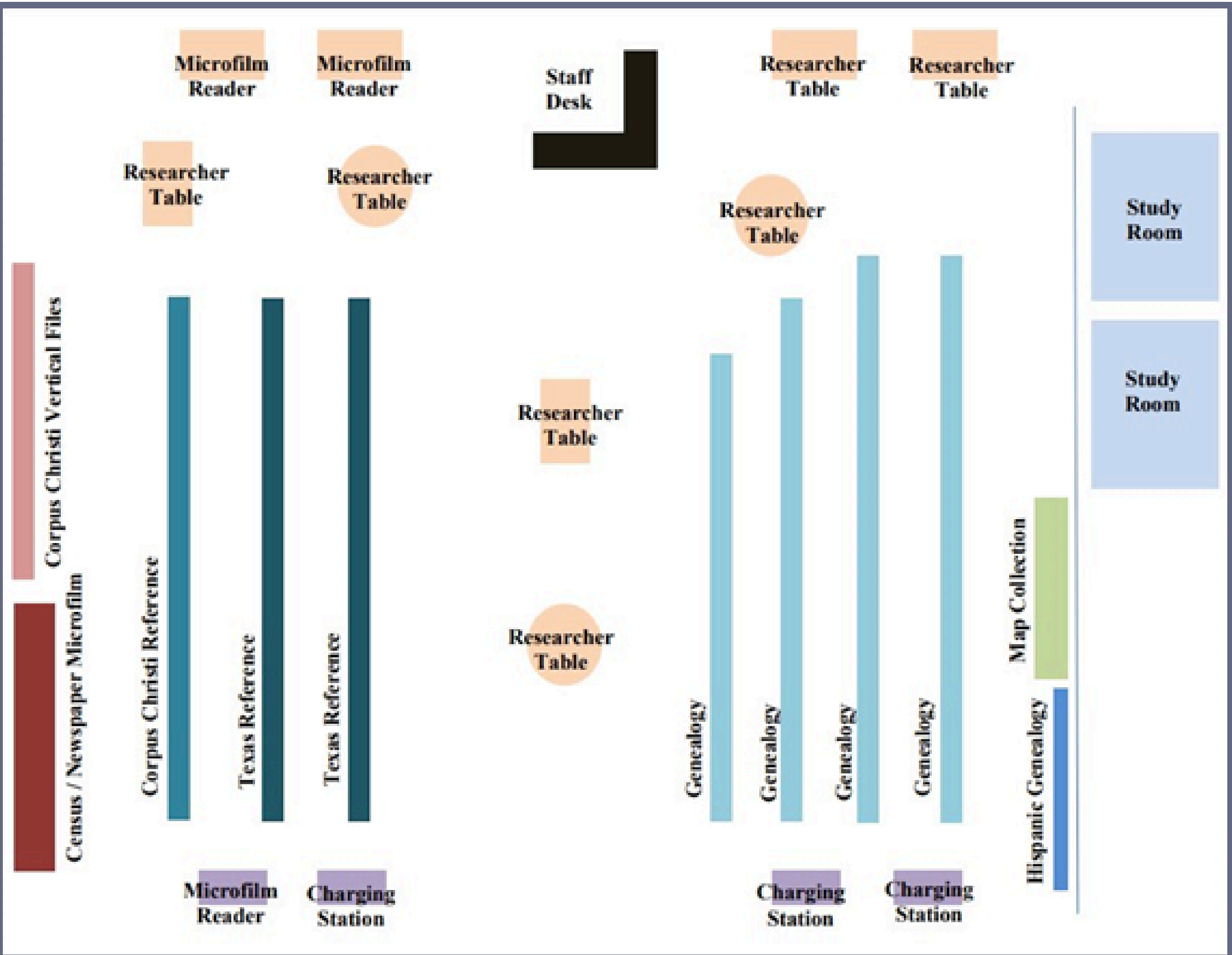
Let your journey begin!



# Local History Department







## Corpus Christi Reference

Includes materials related to the history and development of the City of Corpus Christi, Texas.



## Texas Reference

Contains materials regarding the history of Texas with an emphasis on South Texas.



## Genealogy

Covers a wide range of areas and topics of interest to the family researcher.



## Hispanic Genealogy

Consists of a large census collection and county records on Hispanic families in Texas and northern Mexico.



# Local History Department

La Retama Central Library's Local History Department provides patrons access to special collections and archives, reference databases, printed materials, educational websites and genealogy resources.

Our department holds items related to Corpus Christi History, Texas History and Genealogy.

The Local History Department is located on the second floor of **La Retama Central Library**. Assistance is available to professional researchers and hobbyists alike, in person, by phone or email.

## Questions?

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## Obituaries

Index of publication dates for more than 200,000 obituaries that were printed in the Corpus Christi Caller, Corpus Christi Times, and the Corpus Christi Caller-Times.

The Local History Department has microfilm of the newspapers so that you may view, save and print the obituary or funeral notice.



## **Vertical Files**

14 filing cabinets, Corpus Christi

2 filing cabinets, Texas



# Start your Genealogy Journey



Gather what you already know.

Look around your home.

Setting goals.

Interviewing family members.

Diving into historical records.

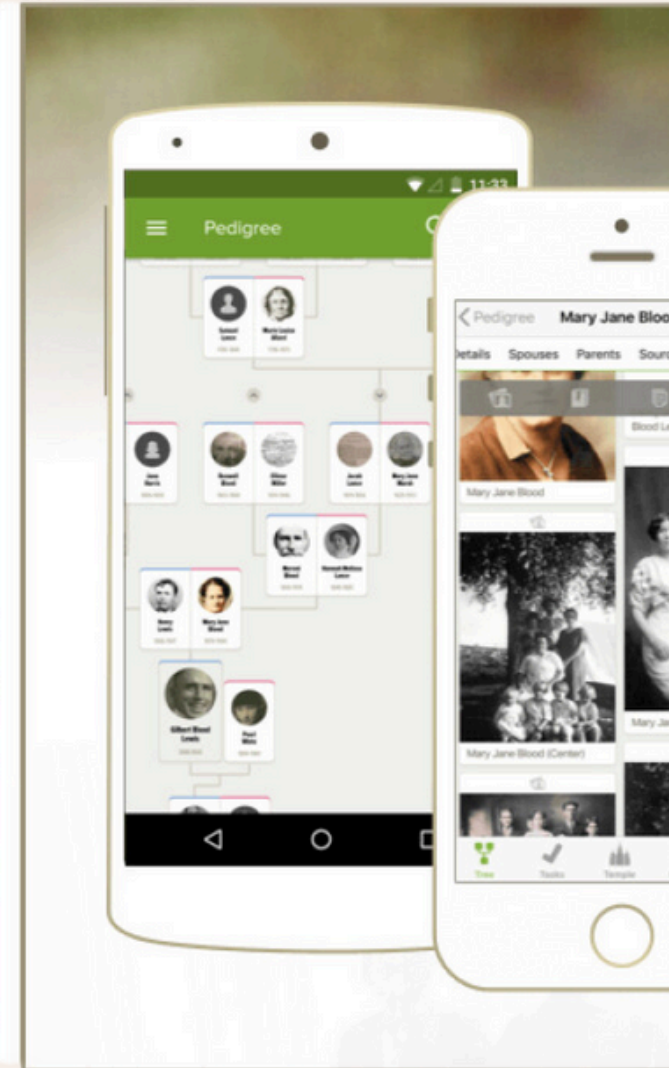
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# FamilySearch Introduction





# FamilySearch

The Corpus Christi Public Libraries is an affiliate of FamilySearch's research and library system.



# FamilySearch locations near you,

4 locations found near Corpus Christi, Texas, United States



## **La Retama Central Library**

805 Comanche Street  
Corpus Christi, TX 78401

## **Corpus Christi Texas FamilySearch Center**

6630 Wooldridge Road  
Corpus Christi, TX 78414

## **Alice Texas FamilySearch Center**

1550 Morningside Drive  
Alice, TX 78332

## **Beeville Texas FamilySearch Center**

1100 E. Crockett Street  
Beeville, TX 78102

**As an affiliate, our FamilySearch Center offers resources not found on the FamilySearch website:**

Library staff provide free personal help to anyone looking for family history information.

Provides limited-access records that are not available elsewhere.

Offers valuable family history website subscriptions for free.

Offers computers, printers, and internet access.





# Helpful Tips

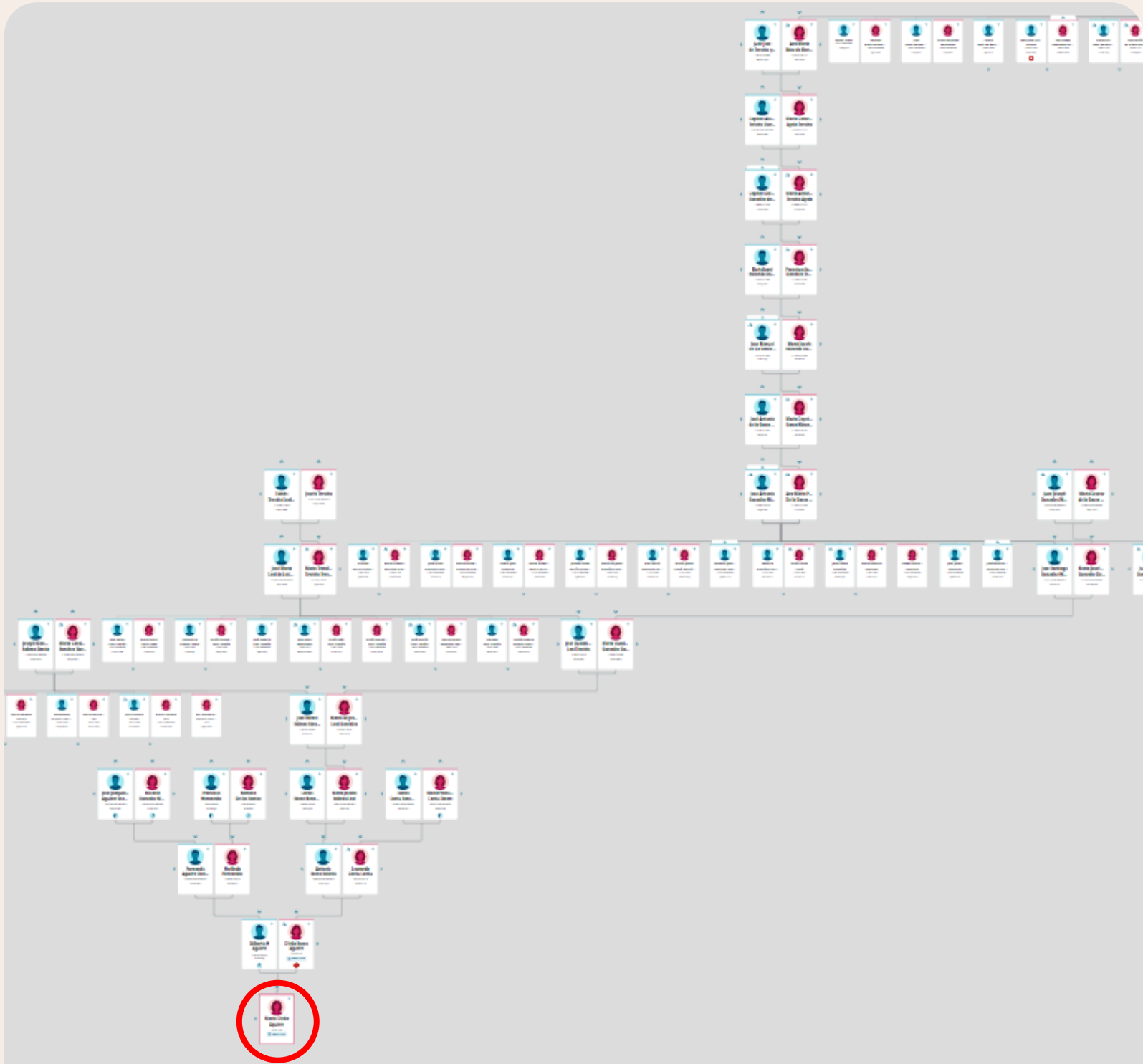
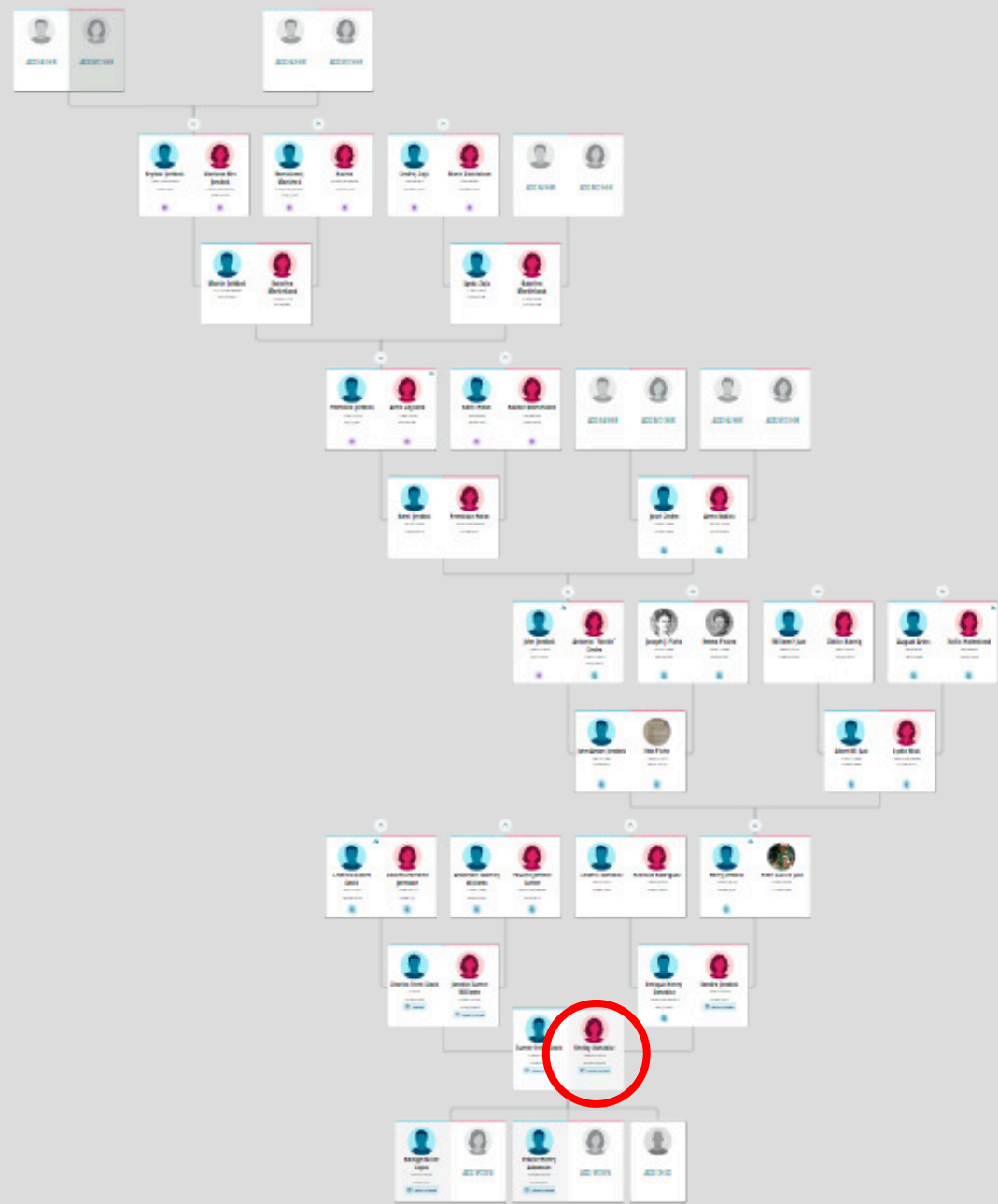
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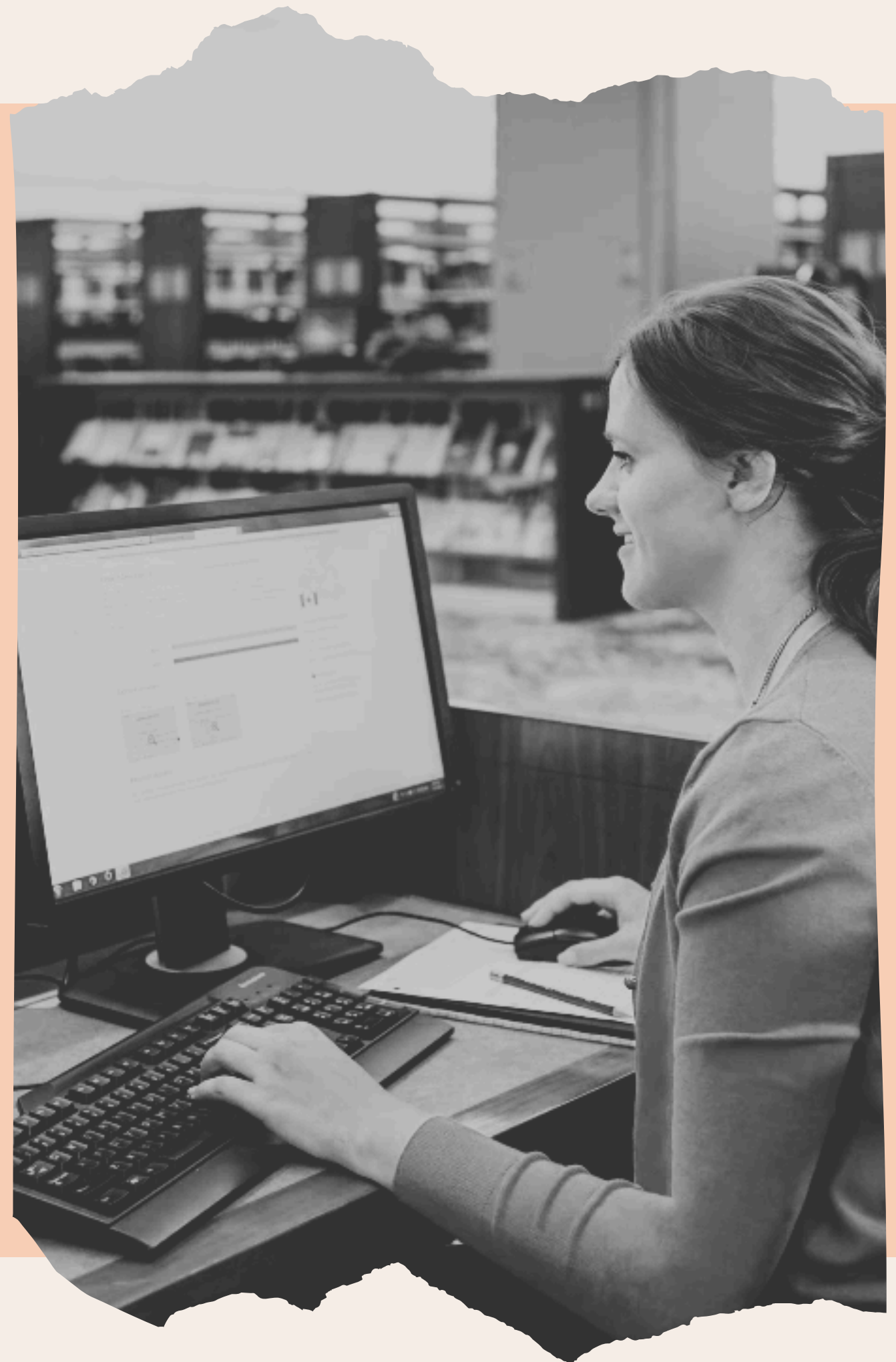


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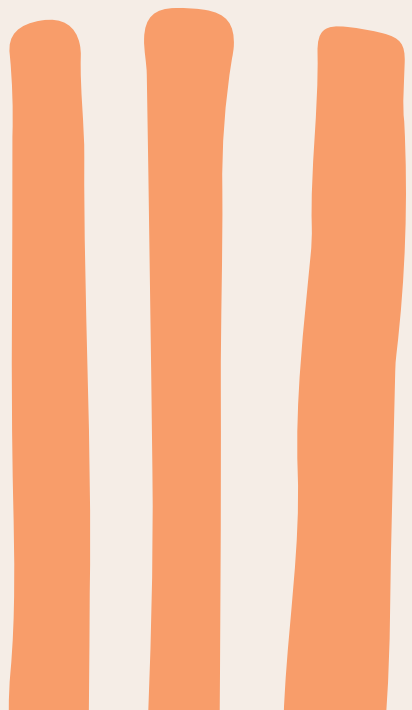




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Curious about your heritage? Jumpstart your ancestry search for FREE in the worldwide community family tree. Connect now—we may already have details about your family.



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VERY MUCH!