

Brandon Training School Oral History Project

Description

The State of Vermont, Developmental Disabilities Services Division, is gathering personal stories from people who use to live and work at Brandon Training School (BTS). As we celebrate the 20th anniversary of the closing of the school, we realize that it is important to understand what the experience was like for people who use to live and work there. We want people who never were at BTS to have the opportunity to learn what life was like back then. We started this project the Summer of 2013 but expect it to continue for the next couple of years.

Trained volunteers are conducting the interviews. The taped interviews will be stored at the Vermont Folklife Center (VFC) in Middlebury, VT. We will also take a photograph of each person to be filed with their interview. The interview will be kept in a public archive where researchers, scholars, historians and other members of the public can use these stories for scholarly or educational purposes (i.e., museum exhibit, publication, broadcast, research).

It is likely that people will be interviewed 2, 3 or 4 times. Interviews can take place anywhere, such as in your own home or elsewhere if you prefer. It just needs to be a place that is quiet. Each person interviewed will receive a CD with their interviews on it.

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