

Oral History Outline

RELIEF SOCIETY PRESIDENT OR COUNSELOR

This outline provides suggested topics to include in your oral history. Oral historians should work with narrators under the direction of the Holy Ghost to customize the direction of each oral history. If you need assistance building an outline, please contact your Church History Department representative.

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Background

Family background

- Parents
- Early years
- Friends and dating
- Marriage and children (where applicable)

Church background

- Religious background
- Baptism and conversion
- Gospel study, including the Book of Mormon

Education and professional background

- School
- Professional training
- Work outside and in the home
- Service in the community

Leading in Your Local Area

Calling to serve in Relief Society

- Training (ward and stake)

Presidency

- Counselors
- Goals

Relationship with leaders (ward, stake, priesthood)

Women in your Relief Society

Resources

Ministering

Supporting women

Temple and family history

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Leading in Your Local Area (cont.)

Women and priesthood

- Men and women working together
- Acting with authority

Activities

Church materials (handbooks, manuals, magazines, and so on)

Women in Society

Role of women in your area

Women and family (dating and marriage, children, work and career, abuse—training and prevention)

Service in the community

Gospel and self-identity

Ethnic, racial, tribal makeup of Relief Society group

General challenges women face

Historic events and societal trends

Role of women in the Church

Safety

Worldly influences

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Welfare Issues

Relief Society and welfare
(training, local programs)

Welfare issues in your unit

Church and government help

Conclusion

Contributions women make

Personal blessings from
service in the Relief Society

Transformative experiences

Testimony
