

## Virginia Research Facilities—Northern Virginia—Alexandria

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Open Monday, 1 p.m. –9 p.m.; Tuesday, 2 a.m.–9 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m.–7 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

### **Be Prepared**

Self-service photocopier requires copy card (available on-site, \$0. 25 per copy). One USB-ready microfilm reader and three standard microfilm readers are available.

### **Holdings and Collections**

The focus is on Alexandria and Northern Virginia. Extensive holdings for Virginia’s counties and independent cities. Basic historical and genealogical material for Washington, D.C., Maryland, North Carolina, West Virginia: 40,000+ photographs and images; 14,500 books and historical journals, 3,140 rare books; 200+ maps; 314 manuscript collections; 3,500 reels of microfilm.

### **Finding Aids (selected)**

Vertical Files Index, Archive & Manuscript Index, Maps Collections Index, Microfilm Index.

### **Online Indexes (selected)**

“Building and Repair Permits Collection Index, 1896–1928,” “Obituary Index to the Alexandria Gazette, 1916–1946,” “Voter Registration in Alexandria, Virginia, African-Americans, 1902–1954,” “World War I Draft Registrations for Northern

Virginia," "Oath of Allegiance in 1862–1865."

**For sale (selected)**

- Alexandria (Images of America series) by George K. Combs, Leslie Anderson, and Julia M. Downie (2012)
- African Americans of Alexandria, Virginia: Beacons of Light in the Twentieth Century by Char McCargo Bah, Christa Watters, Audrey P. Davis, Gwendolyn Brown-Henderson, and James E. Henson, Sr. (2013)
- Virginia Slave Births Index: 1853–1865, Volumes 1–5 by Leslie Anderson Morales (editor) (2007)
- The Bounden Duty of the Progeny by Ann Graham (2012)
- Marriages and Death Notices From Alexandria, Virginia Newspapers, 1784–1852, Volumes 1–2, by Wesley Pippenger (2005)
- E.G. Arnold's 1862 Topographical Map showing Fortifications Around Washington, D.C. (reproduction)
- American Anti-Slavery Society 1836 Broadside (reproduction)

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