



Civic Engagement Resources

Primary sources related to civic engagement are located in every community, in every state. To find examples in your own community visit town, county, village, and city clerk's offices, in person, or check their websites. Look for copies of board meeting minutes, planning department records, environmental impact statements and other records that show discussions centered on key community issues. The same is true for school district board of education meeting minutes, and look for student involvement in fundraising and community organizations by reviewing school district daily and weekly announcements, yearbook files and committee reports.

Historical societies, archives and museums also have primary sources related to civic engagement. For instance, NYS Archives maintains and preserves millions of records that reflect the hard work and opinions of New Yorkers from the 17th century to the present.

The following are examples of additional documents related to civic engagement.

Documents:

American Indians in Colonial New York – DBQ (Sarah Robins' Petition, c.1711)

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/1853

Vote No broadside and *Rome Daily Sentinel* article, NYS Barge Canal

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/1239

Rome Daily Sentinel:

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/1238

Manly Boys, Cooperstown High School Boys Knit for the Front, *Remembering World War I* – Photograph:

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/167

Manly Boys, Letter from Red Cross:

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/169

Child Labor Documents (Mrs. Chatfield's Telegram)

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Object/Show/object_id/10828

Naturalization and Citizenship – DBQ

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/1856



Bill and Veto Jackets: Smoking ban in restaurants, 2003 – Chapter 13

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Object/Show/object_id/19611

Immigration, We Are One photograph, 2006, La Escuela Electronica Project

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/1042

On Behalf of Workers: The Role of Labor Unions - DBQ

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/1831

19th Century African American Voting Rights - DBQ

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/1851

African American Citizen Action in the 20th Century – DBQ

http://digitalcollections.archives.nysed.gov/index.php/Detail/Occurrence/Show/occurrence_id/1852

Let the Windmills go up! Letter to the Town of Kirkland Planning Department, 2006

<https://www.nysarchivestrust.org/education/consider-source/browse-primary-source-documents/contemporary-united-states/letter-stella-lopata-town-kirkland-planning-board-supporting-construction-windmills>

Aug 30, 2006



Town of Kirkland Planning Board,

I'm writing in regard of the
proposed "Windmills" on Spring Farm
Cores. I think that Spring Farm or
Anybody should be able to put up windmills on
their property. Everyone complains about the
amount of oil we have to import, but won't
let anyone do anything to help stop the use.
When you mention Chuckery Corners, Paris
Hill or Sky Line Drive, what do you think of?
"Wind". Let's put to use to what God has
given us.

How much time every day do people
spend looking at the horizon? We have such
beauty, you just have to look in another
direction if you don't like to see a windmill.

I don't see them looking as bad as some
homes that are being built on hill tops

[over]

Courtesy: Town of Kirkland

Let Bonne, or anyone else put
up windmills and put Nature to work.
When I was a child, most farms had
a windmill to pump their water and
the birds and butterflies survived.

Let the Windmills go up!

Thank you -

Stella M. Lopata



Courtesy: Town of Kirkland

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STANDARD TIME
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THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM

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Cables



All America
Cables

Mackay

Radio

This is a full rate Telegram, Cablegram or Radiogram unless otherwise indicated by signal in the check or in the address.

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NL	NIGHT LETTER
NM	NIGHT MESSAGE
LCO	DEFERRED CABLE
NLT	NIGHT CABLE LETTER
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STATE CAPITOL ALBANY NY

TH MRS OF NASSAU COUNTY ARE ORGANIZING TO PROTEST ANY
INTERFERENCE IN THEIR HOMES CONCERNING THEIR OFFSPRINGS STOP
INDUSTRIES MUST FIND OTHER MEANS FOR CORRECTING THEIR
DIFFICULTIES WE AIM TO PROTECT OUR RIGHTS AS MOTHERS AND
EXAGGERATED REPORTS OF EXPLOITATIONS OF CHILD LABOR IS NOT
ENOUGH REASON TO FORFEIT OUR BIRTH RIGHTS

MRS OLIVER S ^XCHATFIELD 43 LAKESIDE DRIVE BALDWIN LI.

Courtesy: New York State Archives

DEMOCRACY:


It Still Works,
If You Work At It

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LOCAL 23 - 25 I.L.G.W.U.

民主政治 莫作空談
運用民權 致達实效
登記選舉 事屬首要

登記處: 廿三廿五工会 日期: 即日起至九月卅日

時間: 每星期一至星期五 上午九時至下午六時

LOCAL 23 - 25, I. L. G. W. U.

275 — 7th AVE. N. Y. C.

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Courtesy: Center for Puerto Rican Studies, Hunter College, CUNY