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The subject reference files are housed in the research library and primarily contain newspaper and magazine clippings, but in some cases unpublished typescripts/manuscripts and presentations. They were compiled by staff and volunteers circa 1970-2015.

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Cities & Towns

- Agnew
- Alviso
- Campbell
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Communication

- Advertising
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- Middle Schools/Junior High
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- James Lick
- San Jose High
- Santa Clara High
- Community Colleges
- Universities
 - San Jose State
 - Santa Clara
 - Stanford
 - University of the Pacific
- Miscellaneous
- Other Programs

Ethnic & Cultural Groups/Immigration

- African-American
- Asian
 - Chinese (includes San Jose Chinatown)
 - Japanese
 - Filipino
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- Ethiopian
- French
- German (includes Germania Verein)
- Immigration
 - General
 - Issues
- Irish
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- Latinx
- Middle Eastern
- Native American
- Portuguese
- Other

Events & Dates

- Cultural Events
- Expositions
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Fine Arts

- Architecture

- Alan Hess bylines
- General (includes Fine Arts Commission, Policies)
- Dance
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 - Ballet
 - San Jose Cleveland Ballet
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 - Theater – General
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 - Opera San Jose
 - Paul Masson-Musicians on the Vineyard
 - San Jose Chamber Music
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 - San Jose Symphony
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 - Crisis (2000-2001)
 - Symphony San Jose-Silicon Valley (2002--)
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 - Music History & Obituaries
 - San Jose 19th century
 - Music - General
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- Visual Arts
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Government

- City of San Jose
 - General
 - Budget
 - Fire Department
 - Planning/Public Works
 - Police Department
 - Other Departments

- Water Treatment Plant
- Politics
 - General
 - Districts 1 – 9
 - Occupy San Jose
- S. F. Bay Regional
- Santa Clara County
 - County Fire Department
 - County Sheriff
- U.S. Patent Office – San Jose

History

- California & the West
 - General
 - Donner Party
 - Gold Rush
 - Portola Expedition
 - Land Use
 - Pre-Gold Rush
- San Jose
 - General
 - First State Capital
 - 1840-1870
 - 1920s
 - Lynching, 1933
 - Annexation
 - List of areas & dates annexed
 - 1950s Annexation
 - 1960s
 - Centennial
 - Bicentennial
- Santa Clara
- Santa Clara County
 - General
 - Ranchos
 - Population Growth
- United States
 - Civil War
 - Spanish-American War
 - Panama Canal
 - Prohibition
 - 9/11
 - Vietnam War
 - Gulf War

- World War I
- World War II
 - World War II Aviation
 - Defense of Wake Island
- President McKinley

Institutions

- General
- Courts
- Foundations
- Hospitals
 - Agnews
 - County Infirmary/County Hospital/Valley Medical
 - O'Connor Hospital
 - Nursing Homes/Convalescent Hospitals
- Libraries
- Museums
 - General
 - Children's Discovery Museum
 - High Tech Center/The Tech
 - Museum of Art
 - Quilt & Textiles
- Orphanages

Natural Science

- Animals
- Astronomy
- Earthquakes
 - 1906 Earthquake (includes list of local fatalities)
 - Earthquakes – General
 - 1989 Loma Prieta
- Environment
- Fires
- Floods
- Insects
- Rainfall
- Trees
- Water
- Weather

Neighborhoods

- General
- The Alameda
- Almaden

- Berryessa
- Burbank
- Cambrian
- College Park
- Cottage Grove
- Downtown
- Eastside/Alum Rock
- Edenvale
- El Dorado Street/Post Street
- Evergreen
- Fountain Alley
- Hensley District
- Japantown
- Mayfair
- Naglee Park
- Palm Haven
- River Street
- Rose Garden
- San Antone Valley
- St. James Square
- San Pedro Square
- Shasta-Hanchett
- Tamien
- Willow Glen

Organizations, Societies & Clubs

- Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts
- California Pioneers of S. C. County
- Day Nursery
- Enisvale Circle Club
- Fraternal Orders
- Humane Society
- Labor Unions
- Maine Club/New Englanders Club
- Masonic Lodge
- Monday Club
- Native Sons & Daughters
- Red Cross
- Rosicrucian
- Sainte Claire Club
- Santa Clara County Historical Society
- Senior Citizen Organizations
- Service Clubs

- Sister City Programs
- Sports Clubs/Country Clubs
- Women's Clubs
- YMCA
- Other

Sports

- General
- Aquatics
- Auto Racing
- Baseball & Softball
- Basketball
- Bowling
- Boxing
- Football
- Golf
- Hockey
 - San Jose Sharks
- Horse Racing
- Horseshoes
- Hunting
- Jogging
- Lawn Bowling
- Olympics
- Rifle Range
- Skating
- Skiing
- Soccer
 - World Cup
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Volleyball

Structures & Sites

(Note: many of the files on specific buildings contain reference material compiled by PACSJ member Ellen Garboske, donated to HSJ in 2015, much of it historic preservation memoranda and some photographs)

- General/Misc.
- Adobe buildings
 - General
 - Alviso Adobe
 - Berryessa Adobe
 - Roberto Adobe
 - Peralta Adobe

- Aerial Views (Newspaper images of San Jose)
- Bridges
- Cemeteries
- Churches
 - Catholic
 - General
 - Our Lady of Guadalupe
 - St. Joseph's Cathedral
 - Renovation
 - Protestant
 - General
 - First Baptist (KQW site)
 - First Church of Christ Scientist
 - First Unitarian
 - Trinity Episcopal
 - Other
 - Other – Misc.
 - Quaker Meeting House (1041 Morse Street)
- Dams
- Electric Light Tower
- Hotels & Restaurants
 - Restaurants Misc.
 - Hotels Misc.
 - Auzerais House
 - De Anza Hotel
 - Fairmont Hotel
 - Henry's Hi-Life (fka Torino Hotel)
 - Lou's Donuts
 - Manny's Cellar
 - Mark's Hot Dogs
 - Metropole Hotel site (Post Street & South Market Street – see also Juzgado site)
 - Montgomery Hotel
 - O'Brien's
 - Original Joe's
 - Paolo's
 - Sainte Claire Hotel
 - St. James Hotel
 - Swiss Hotel
 - Vendome Hotel
- Jails & Prisons
- Landmarks Commission
- Lick Observatory
- Lighthouses
- Missions

- Monuments & Memorials
 - Almaden Air Force Base/Mt. Umunhum
 - Jenny Lind
- Mystery Spot
- Trees (Heritage Tree list)
- Public Buildings
 - General
 - California National Guard Armory building (240 N. Second Street)
 - Carnegie Library, East San Jose (1102 East Santa Clara Street)
 - City Halls
 - Civic Auditorium
 - Center for Performing Arts
 - Convention Complex
 - Courthouse (N. 1st Street)
 - Empire Firehouse
 - Japanese Kuwabara Hospital (565 North Fifth Street)
 - Juzgado
 - Moffett Field/Hangar One
 - Post Offices
 - San Jose Arena
- Commercial Buildings
 - General/Misc.
 - Alcantara Building/Hotel Metropole (Market & Post)
 - Alquist Building
 - Bank of America/Bank of Italy
 - Beatrice Building/Teske's Germania
 - California Packing Corp. Pickle Factory Plant No. 39
 - Carroll & Bishop
 - Clayton Realty Building
 - Dohrman Building
 - Eagles Hall
 - El Paseo Building/El Paseo Court
 - Farmers Union (151 W. Santa Clara)
 - First National Bank (First & Santa Clara)
 - Fox-Markovitz Building (N. 4th Street)
 - Fox Saloon (448 N. San Pedro)
 - Fredkin's Market Building (760 E. Santa Clara Street)
 - Garden City Bank (100 S. First Street)
 - Glein-Fenerin Building (Post and Lightston)
 - Horace Allen Gasoline Station (Naglee Park)
 - IBM Building 25
 - I.O.O.F/Odd Fellows Building
 - Knox-Goodrich Building
 - Letitia Building

- Lions Building
- Lyndon Building
- Market Post Building (aka Gold Building)
- Mariani Packing/Calpak Plant #4 and #14
- Masonic Temple (262-272 South First Street)
- Masson-Lefranc Building
- Medico-Dental Building
- Moir Building/St. James Hotel
- Montezuma School for Boys/Oriental Building
- Murphy Building (Market & Post)
- New Century Block (Santa Clara & 2nd)
- Pacific Telephone Building (80 South Market Street)
- Porter Building
- Rea Block (Pomeroy-Skerritt Building) (56-60 S. First Street)
- Realty Building (19 N. Second Street)
- Roma Bakery (655 Almaden Avenue)
- Ryland Block/Security Building (74-86 S. First Street)
- Sainte Claire Building (S. First & San Carlos)
- San Jose Building & Loan (81 W. Santa Clara Street)
- San Jose Woman's Club (75 S. 11th Street)
- Scottish Rite Temple/San Jose Athletic Club (St. James & Third Street – 196 N. Third)
- Sperry Flour Building (30 N. 3rd Street)
- State Meat Market (148-150 E. Santa Clara)
- John Stock and Sons Warehouse (299 Bassett)
- Tognazzi Building/The Thomas Victoria (261-263 N. First Street)
- Tilden-Laine Grocery Buildings and Site (970 and 996 Elizabeth Street)
- Twohy Building/El Paseo Building (210 S. First Street)
- Waterman Building (52 S. First Street)
- We and Ours Neighbor Club (15480 Union Avenue)
- Weir Building (93 W. Julian Street)
- F. G. Wool Packing Co. (near Senter Road)
- Woolworth's (27 S. First Street)
- Parks
 - General
 - Almaden Area
 - Alum Rock
 - Ardenwood
 - Big Basin
 - Cesar Chavez Plaza
 - Lake Cunningham
 - Emma Prusch
 - Frontier Village
 - Great America
 - Guadalupe River Park

- Henry Coe
- Kelley Park
 - General
 - Happy Hollow
 - History Park
 - Japanese Friendship Garden
 - Leininger Center
 - Ng Shing Gung at History Park
- Luna
- Martial Cottle
- Rose Garden, Municipal
- St. James Park/Square
- Santa Clara County Parks
- Residential
 - Miscellaneous
 - A-Z Files
 - 31-33 East Julian Street (Twin colonial revival tract houses)
 - Arguello Gosby House (456 N. 3rd Street)
 - Baker House aka Ruben Baker Ranch (6468 Almaden Road)
 - Bernal-Gulnac-Joice Ranch
 - Chiechi House
 - Clark House (1147 Minnesota)
 - Fallon House
 - Gates/Maybeck House (62 S. 13th Street)
 - Gordon House (History Park)
 - Graves House (Mitzi Drive)
 - Greenawalt House (History Park)
 - Hayes Mansion
 - J. H. Henry House (University & The Alameda)
 - Hensley House (456 N. 3rd Street)
 - Hill House (History Park)
 - Hobson House (Maybury Road near King, Berryessa)
 - Houghton-Donner House
 - Inman House (Civic Center Drive, Santa Clara)
 - Kelley House (Kelley Park)
 - Kirk-Farrington House (Dry Creek Road)
 - Leib Carriage House (60 North Keeble)
 - Lick Mansion
 - Lowery Home/Ward Funeral Home (93 N. Devine Street)
 - Markham House (History Park)
 - Mission Court Apartments (460 N. First Street)
 - Montalvo
 - Julia Morgan (Pierce home – 1650 The Alameda)
 - Morrison House (Fifth & Julian Streets)

- Naglee Mansion (99 S. 14th Street)
- O'Connor Mansion
- Fremont & Cora Older Home (Saratoga)
- Overfelt House (2281 McKee Road)
- Prola (or Prolo) House (River Street)
- Ashworth-Remillard Home (755 Story Road)
- Dr. Richards Estate (1550 Hicks Avenue)
- Richmond Ranch (nr San Felipe Road)
- Scheller House (San Jose State campus)
- Stockton House (Spring & Newhall Streets)
- 250 Sunol Street
- Victorian Homes (General)
- Wade House & Site (1641 El Dorado Street)
- Wehner Mansion & Ranch (The Villages, Evergreen)
- Winchester House
- Zanger House, aka Lick Homestead (1381 S. First Street)
- Zanker House (History Park)
- Tankhouses

Transportation

- General
- Airports
 - General
 - Reid-Hillview
- Airplanes
 - Airplane Crash – March 27, 1977
- Automobiles
 - General
 - Sunset Auto
- Bicycles
- Buses
- Dirigibles
- Horse-Driven
- Railroads
 - Light Rail/Street Railroads
 - Transit Mall
 - Trolley Cars
 - BART to San Jose
 - Railroads
 - Railroad Stations
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- Traffic Patterns/Commute