



## Guide to the Laura Sussman oral history interview

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Sussman, Laura A., 1956-
<b>Contributor:</b>	The Great Pause: Las Vegas Chronicles of the COVID-19 Pandemic
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<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Laura Sussman conducted by Barbara Tabach on October 29, 2020 for The Great Pause: Las Vegas Chronicles of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio, Laura moved to Las Vegas in 1990. She and her wife, Wendy Kraft, own the Kraft-Sussman funeral home in Las Vegas. Laura talks of her work as a funeral director and in the community as President of the Jewish Family Services Agency. She also discusses the impacts of COVID-19 she's witnessed on Las Vegas residents. Subjects discussed include: COVID-19 impacts; traveling during COVID-19; networking with other funeral homes; Jewish Family Services community support

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## Scope and Contents Note

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she's witnessed of COVID-19 on Las Vegas residents. Subjects discussed include: COVID-19 impacts; traveling during COVID-19; networking with other funeral homes; Jewish Family Services community support. Digital audio available; no transcript available.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- COVID-19 Pandemic, 2020-
- Jewish women
- Women in community development -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- Funeral homes

- Undertakers and undertaking
- Jewish Family Service Agency of Clark County, Nevada