

# Roseway Neighborhood Association

## Oral History Project questions

### GEOGRAPHICAL

When did you move into the neighborhood?

Why did you choose to settle in the Roseway area?

How did the neighborhood look when you moved here?

How has the neighborhood changed? Streets, houses, other buildings put up or torn down.

What shops and services were found in the neighborhood?

What kind of grocery stores were in the area?

How has that changed today?

How far away was the nearest school? Store? Church? Neighbor?

Describe what man-made changes you've seen since you moved here?

Like street improvements, sidewalks, parks, etc.

### EARLY MEMORIES

#### Schools:

Describe the building, teachers, students you recall.

What subjects were taught at the time?

How big were the classes?

Did you have higher schooling? Describe: tuition, books, supplies, discipline and attitude differences.

Describe public opinion on the value of education then.

#### Entertainment:

Tell something about the old movie houses like the Roseway or Hollywood. What kind of movies did you see? What kind did you enjoy the most?

What were some of your hobbies or spare time activities?

Describe any other forms of entertainment (community socials, fund raising, etc).

#### Transportation:

Were there streetcar lines going into Roseway?

What bus lines did you use?

What other forms of transportation were there?

Did you go "downtown" by public transportation a lot? Why or why not?

What improvements have you seen to public transportation?

## Neighbors

What were some common activities, (such as sports, dances, youth groups), etc that you participated in. Tell about some of the people who participated.

Do you remember George Denfeld? What do you remember as his most important contribution to the neighborhood? How well did you know him?

## NEIGHBORHOOD CHANGES

Describe some ways the neighborhood has not changed.

What things do you like about the neighborhood today?

What features have contributed to the livability of the area?

What things do you not like about the neighborhood today?  
(like traffic, urban renewal, pollution, etc)

What problems do you see in the neighborhood?  
(like crime, over crowding, etc)

What would you do with the neighborhood if you "had your druthers?"