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# Overview

- Introduction
  - ▶ Who we are and what we do
- Start assessing your needs
- Identify areas where we can work together



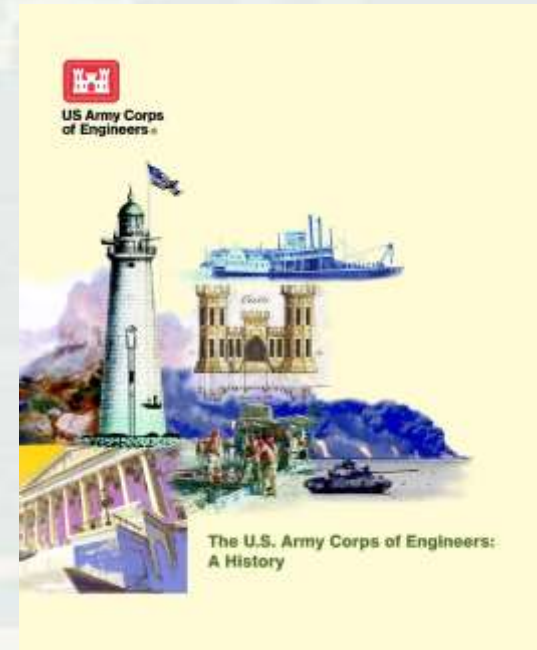
# Major Mission Areas

- Research and Writing Program
- Oral History Program
- Research Collection
- Historical Collection
- Field History Program

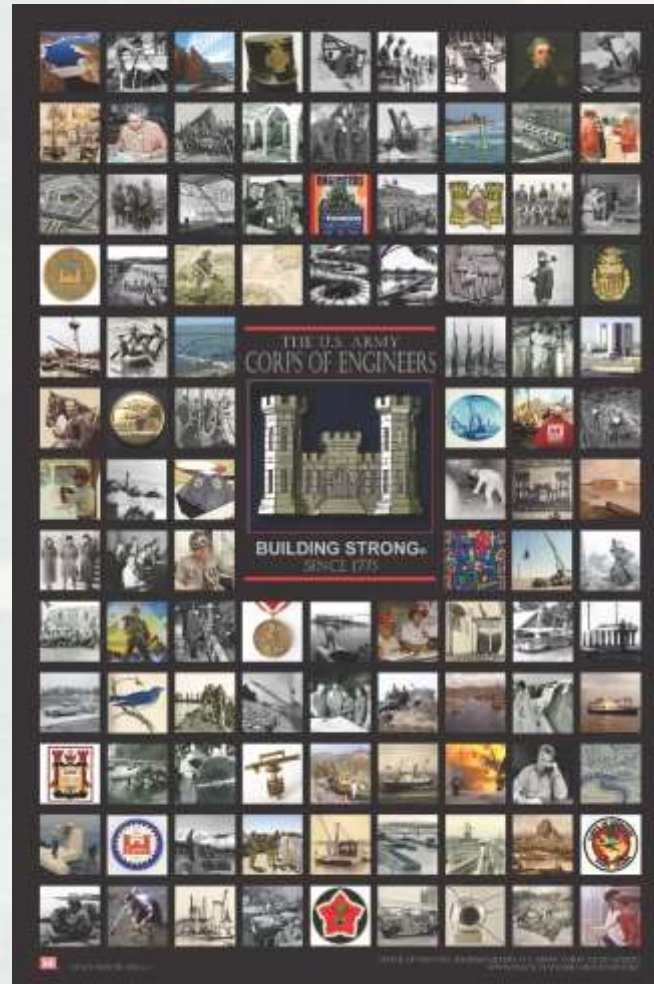


# Research and Writing Program

- Ranges from definitive histories to posters and brochures
- Products print and web based
  - ▶ <http://www.usace.army.mil/About/History/Bookshelf.aspx>
  - ▶ <https://cops.usace.army.mil/>
- Serve as historical resources

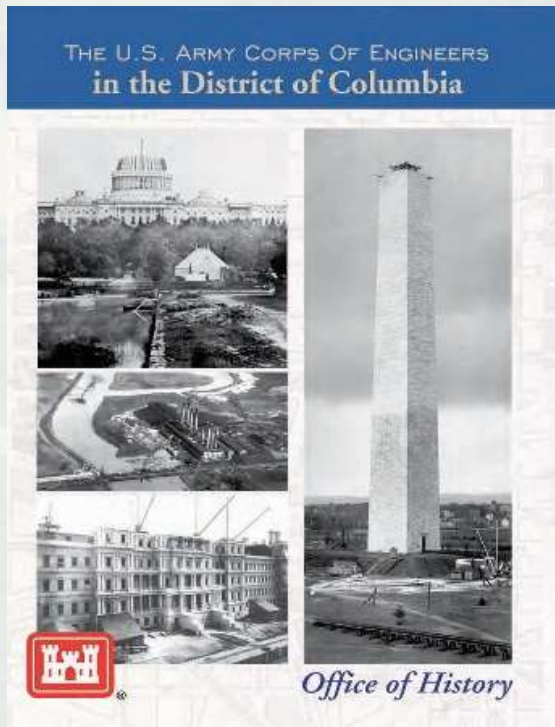


# USACE History Poster





# DC History Brochure



# Oral History Program

- Single most effective program
- Captures information and voices not found in official records
- CEHO collection includes 3,000 interviews
- CEHO resources – training, sample questions, transcription



# Research Collection

- Extensive document, photograph, and map collection
- Hidden resource, available to USACE, researchers
- Selective digitization program – preservation, web, and publications
- Challenge to identify, collect, and arrange born digital content





# Historical Collection



- USACE's historical collection part of CEHO
- Artifact collection valuable – internal & online displays
- Military heavy, looking for better non military coverage
- Work with Engineer Museum at Ft. Leonard Wood



# Field History Program

- CEHO tasked with assisting USACE field activities preserve their histories
- Twofold process
  - ▶ Help collect source material and conduct oral history interviews; and assist with contract histories
- Field history program is vehicle for CEHO working with NRM
- Challenge is finding best way to make history assessable to you
  - ▶ Historical products and resources
  - ▶ Oral history, archival, and curatorial support
  - ▶ Standard USACE history displays



# Questions?

