

## **Missouri State Archives Mission Statement**

The Missouri State Archives is the official repository for state records of permanent and historical value. Its mission is to foster an appreciation of Missouri history and illuminate contemporary public issues by preserving and making available the state's permanent records to its citizens and their government.

To accomplish this goal, the Missouri State Archives will:

- 1) Appraise, acquire, process, preserve, and make available Missouri's state and local records of permanent administrative, legal, fiscal, and historical value;
- 2) Provide adequate facilities for the retention, preservation, servicing, and research use of such records;
- 3) Serve as a research center for the study of Missouri's history;
- 4) Facilitate access to the records held by the Missouri State Archives; and
- 5) Promote the knowledge and understanding of the origins, programs, and goals of the Missouri State Archives.