

## FAMILY HISTORY INTERVIEW QUESTIONS - to be used as a guideline

What is your full name?

Who were you named after?

When and where were you born?

When did your family first come to America? and/or Hartford?

Where did they come from?

Why did they come to Hartford?

Tell me about your parents and/or grandparents.

Where did they live?

What were their names and occupations?

What is your earliest recollection of them?

Do you have photographs of your ancestors?

Family heirlooms?

Any object that was brought from the "Old Country"

Documents pertaining to the family's arrival to America?

Do you have any recipes that were passed down?

Do you remember any family stories when the family first arrived or early in their resettlement?

What relationship from your childhood do you remember best?

Where did you go to school?

What was your most memorable experience or person, good or bad, during your childhood?

Describe your Jewish education, if any.

Did your family belong to a synagogue?

Describe the role of religious life in your family.

Do you have any family traditions, holiday or other, that were passed down your family ?

Did anyone in your family experience anti-semitism ?

How did you meet your spouse?

What are the names of your children and their professions, where they live?

What was the most valuable thing(s) you learned from your parents?

What accomplishments are you most proud of?

What message do you have for future generations?

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