

About Essential Pieces

Each of our stories are essential to understanding who we are as a community. The timeline presented here is part of an on-going effort by the York County History Center to tell a fuller narrative of our community's rich and diverse history. In this first iteration Ophelia Chambliss, artist and the History Center's Community Historian, presents her research on York's diverse communities with a focus on the African-American community. Her work puts the history of the Black community in the context of York County's larger history. To tell the full story of York County, it is important to include and represent all the people who have called York home. Knowing their story provides the essential pieces to understand who we are and where we are going as a community.