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Module 1: Mission Statement Part I

The JOTPY is a crowdsourced digital archive of the COVID-19 pandemic. Its goal is to collect as many photos, audio files, videos, documents, and any other record of the impact of life during the pandemic. This accumulation of COVID-19 records is intended to provide equal and unbiased representation of all people into the archival records for future research.

Module 2: Part II

The “Rural Voices” collection is a crowdsourced initiative to increase submissions from rural areas. The collection seeks to raise awareness of rural archival voices by providing unbiased representation of their experience during COVID-19. By establishing “Rural Voices” submissions, future researchers can weigh the importance of rural representation within the archive. This rural representation seeks to avoid silences and encourages future research, evaluation, and teaching of the unique rural perspective, thereby creating a more inclusive JOTPY archive.