COVID in Black – 1

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Black Arkansans are being asked to document their experiences during the pandemic. Christina Shutt (shut), director of the Mosaic Templars Cultural Center, says the museum's new project, "COVID in Black: The African American Experience in Arkansas," will begin collecting stories and images tomorrow (Tuesday).

NEWS20 0:17 "...time in history"

The project is being funded by a grant from the Arkansas Humanities Council. Those wanting to contribute can contact the museum. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there is evidence the pandemic is having a greater negative impact on racial and ethnic minorities.

COVID in Black – 2

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Recording the impact of the pandemic on Black Arkansans is the goal of a new project by the Mosaic Templars Cultural Center. Tomorrow (Tuesday) the Little Rock museum will begin collecting video, audio and written commentary from Black Arkansans. Christina Shutt (shut), the museum's director, says the "COVID in Black" project will also include stories about protests and demonstrations about racism during this period.

NEWS21 0:18 "...two things together."

Black people are over twice as likely to die from contracting COVID-19 as white people, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The "COVID in Black" project is being funded by a grant from the Arkansas Humanities Council. The museum plans to begin sharing the collected stories and artifacts next year.