Darius Gueramy, Principal of Red Road Media, Midland, Michigan designed and created this permanent display in the classrooms at the Holocaust Memorial Center. The anniversary with the dedication of the Center in Oak Park, Michigan on February 28, 2011, to sing and record the “Song of the Bloomfield, Michigan.

We cannot thank him enough for all of his dedication to this project.

The map of the birthplaces and the journeys of our Michigan Survivors during the Holocaust have been infuriating. We thank Rochelle Upfal, Chief Executive Officer, Jewish Senior Life of Metropolitan Detroit for her ongoing support, historical expertise, and invaluable guidance.

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We thank Carol Green Dmitruk and Melissa Morton, Administrators, Jewish Senior Life, as well as Margaret Parr, Carol Rosenberg, Sheyna Wexelberg-Clouser, Sharon Levine, Sharon Silver and other former collaborators for their continued efforts.

For example, to learn about those who were transported directly from their home to the particular sites of their imprisonment. Click on Portraits of Honor: Our Michigan Holocaust Survivors to see a list of those who were transported directly from their home to the particular sites of their imprisonment.

To learn about those who survived the “final solution” but stayed alive.

As part of the Program for Holocaust Survivors and Families, a service of Jewish Senior Life of Metropolitan Detroit, this project has developed into a permanent, electronic, interactive exhibit housed at the Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus, and its partners. Portraits of Honor: Our Michigan Holocaust Survivors is an interactive educational exhibit of visual history interviews available at the USC Shoah Foundation’s Visual History Collection and the Institute for Visual History and Narrative Education (IVHEN), a project of the USC Digital Learning Institute. It is a new generation of educational materials that pairs interviews with historical references and photographs. Our goal is to continue to add more Survivor photographs and biographies to the exhibit.

It's members have lent their support, enthusiasm. C.H.A.I.M. has been intimately involved with Portraits of Honor since the project's inception. The support of the Shaarit Haplaytah, Abraham Weberman, President and Ruth Lehman and Families enabled this project to come to fruition.

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Access to weapons and their national armies had been overrun by Nazi Germany. The Jewish populations within these countries found themselves in helpless and powerless situations. Their families, friends and neighbors were murdered. The Survivors knew that they were next.

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Our IllegalArgumentException has evolved and grown since its inception in 2011. The Holocaust Memorial Center in Oak Park, Michigan is an educational institution dedicated to preserving the history of the Holocaust and to preventing genocides of any kind in the future. The Center is committed to educating the public about the history and consequences of the Holocaust and to promoting understanding, tolerance and respect for all people.

This project could not have taken place without the dedication of numerous individuals. The Volunteers:

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and photograph of a Survivor with a brief summary of their Holocaust experience and their message to the future. The Passport also includes a QR code which can be scanned at the exhibit housed at the Holocaust Memorial Center Zekelman Family Campus, and its partners.