

# Media Transfer Station

## The Basics:

Digitize old media like VHS, Super 8, 8 mm, 35 mm, negatives, vinyl LPs, or cassettes for free.

### Available Equipment:

- **Elgato Video Capture:** Record video from a VCR, DVD, camcorder for a compact VHS-C and transfer the media onto a DVD or a thumb-drive or an external hard-drive.
  - Bring your original media: VHS tape, DVD or camcorder that plays your VHS-C.
  - Bring blank DVD(s), thumb-drive or an external hard-drive formatted to be used on Windows PC.
  - Conversion time = real time (example: 60 min VHS will take at least 60 min to digitize)
- **EPSON Perfection V600 Photo Scanner:** Scan 35 mm negative or positive slides, old photos, 35 mm film strips and digitize them to transfer onto a thumb-drive or an external hard-drive
  - Bring your original films
  - Bring thumb-drive(s) or an external hard-drive formatted to be used on Windows PCs
  - Can scan four slides at a time; takes about two minutes / slide.
- **HS Portable Stand Alone Digital Image Copier:** Convert 135 slides or negatives (110, 126, and 135 frame sizes) to digital files. Images can be transferred to a PC or Mac via the USB cable or viewed on a TV using the cable. **SD card must be either 16 GB or 32 GB. NOT BIGGER THAN 32 GB ON THE MACHINE.**
  - Bring your original slides/negatives
  - Bring thumb-drive(s) or an external hard-drive formatted to be used on Windows PCs
  - Takes about 3-5 seconds an image to digitize into JPEG.
- **TEAC Deck:** Transfer music from audio cassette tapes and vinyl records to a CD.
  - Bring your original cassette tapes or vinyl records.
  - Bring blank CD(s).
  - Conversion time = real time (example: 60 min cassette will take at least 60 min to digitize)
- **TOSHIBA VHS Player:** Dubbing from VHS to DVD while viewing your VHS contents on RCA monitor.
  - Bring your original VHS tape.
  - Bring blank DVD(s).
  - Conversion time = real time (example: 60 min VHS will take at least 60 min to digitize)

- **Wolverine 8mm and Super 8 Converter:** Digitize 3”, 5”, and 7” regular or super 8 reels. Keep them digital (on a flash drive or in the cloud) or burn them to CD.
  - Bring your reels
  - Bring a portable storage device; username/password to email/cloud storage; and/or blank DVDs for burning
  - The scanning speed is 2 frames/second. See below time estimates. **Note:** times will vary depending on brand of film.

Film Type	Film Size	Conversion Time	Playback Time	1080p Res.
Super 8	3”	30 min	2 min	241 MB
	5”	1 hr 32 min	6 min 10 sec	659 MB
	7”	2 hr 22 min	10 min	1.44 GB
8 mm	3”	37 min	2 min 32 sec	271 MB
	5”	2 hr 15 min	9 min 6 sec	971 MB
	7”	2 hr 22 min	10 min	1.44 GB

### Available Software

- **Leawo Total Media Converter Ultimate:** To burn videos from USB drives onto DVDs
  - Bring digital files on USB drive that you would like to burn
  - Bring blank DVDs
  - Conversion time varies. Usually about 10 – 20 min to burn DVD.
- **Roxio Easy Media Converter:** To burn videos from DVDs
  - Bring videos on DVDs that you would like to burn
  - Bring blank DVDs
  - Conversion time varies. Usually about 10 – 20 min to burn DVD.

### When you arrive to transfer a VHS, Cassette, Negatives, 35mm slides, or photos:

Stop at the desk to sign in and a staff member will take you to the station to get you started. We’ll give you a brief overview and a set of directions to whichever machine you are using.

**Cost:**  
FREE

### To Make an Appointment:

Walkups are accepted but it is preferred that you make an appointment. Call the TechZone at **330-643-9145** or email us at **esdiv@akronlibrary.org** to make an appointment.

It can take varying amounts of time to transfer your media to a digital format, so when you call to make an appointment give us a brief idea of what you are planning to transfer and we’ll try to estimate how long it will take.