Interview Questions:

CHILDHOOD/FAMILY

* What country are you originally from?
  1. Has your family always lived in this country?
* What are your memories from home?
  1. What were you like as a child? What did you do for fun?
  2. Family structure
  3. What did your parents do?
  4. What is your favorite childhood memory?
* What were the conditions like when you left?
* When did you leave? How old were you when you left?
* As a child, had you heard of the U.S. before? What was your impression of it?

MOVEMENT

* Who decided you would come here? Why?
  + Did you want to leave?
* Why did they choose the U.S. and not somewhere else?
* What means of transportation did you take?
* Whom did you travel with?
* Who did you leave behind?
* How did you prepare for your trip?
* How did people treat you when they knew you were leaving for the U.S.?
* Do you think your life would have been different if you had stayed? How so?

ARRIVAL IN THE U.S.

* Where did you settle when you first came to the U.S.?
  + Who did you stay with?
* Did you know people from your home country who were also living in this area?
* What languages did you speak before you came?
* What was your experience learning English?
* How did you lifestyle change when you came here?
* What was your first impression of the U.S.? How has that changed?
* How were you treated when you first arrived? Has that changed?

GOALS

* What languages did you speak when you first came here?
* What were your hopes for yourself when you came here?
* Job in SF?
* Move to New York?
* School/Education?
* Current Work
* Do you visit Colombia often?
* Do you call/skype/write to Colombia often?
* What cultural practices from Colombia do you still practice at home?
* Do you wish to pass those on to your daughter?

Is there anything else you would like to share/tell me or that I may have left out?