

National Coalition on Older Women's Issues Records

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Collection Summary

Title: National Coalition on Older Women's Issues Records

Inclusive Dates: 1967-1997

Bulk Dates: 1979-1990

ID No.: MSS85433

Creator: National Coalition on Older Women's Issues

Extent: 6,000 items

Extent: 17 containers

Extent: 6.8 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: National association advocating education, employment, financial security, and health care for older women. Correspondence, financial and legal records, minutes, printed matter, publicity, and reports produced by the organization.

Acquisition Information

The records of the National Coalition on Older Women's Issues were given to the Library of Congress by Marjory G. Marvel in 2008.

Processing History

The records of the National Coalition on Older Women's Issues were arranged and described by Donna Ellis with the assistance of JoAnna M. Roman in 2010. The finding aid was revised in 2021.

Transfers

Audiocassettes have been transferred to the Library's Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division where they are identified as part of the National Coalition on Older Women's Issues Records. Patrons are encouraged to contact the Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division in advance of a research visit.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of the National Coalition on Older Women's Issues Records is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The records of the National Coalition on Older Women's Issues are open to research. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or digital ID number, National Coalition on Older Women's Issues Records, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Administrative History

The National Coalition on Older Women's Issues was founded by Marjory G. Marvel in 1981. Its purpose was to link advocacy focused on aging and advocacy focused on women's issues. The coalition brought together a broad spectrum of diverse groups including church groups, civic and professional organizations, education centers, research centers, and women's organizations. The main areas of focus of the coalition were employment, retirement income, and health care. Other founding members included Charlotte Conable, Maxine Foreman, Pat Reuss, and Peg Downey. Marjory G. Marvel served as president of the organization from its founding until 1988, when the organization was dissolved.

Scope and Content Note

The records of the National Coalition on Older Women's Issues span the years 1967-1997, with the bulk of the material dating from 1979 to 1990. The records are in English and are organized into five groups: administrative file, financial records, membership, subject file, and miscellany.

The administrative file follows the organization's history from its incorporation in 1981 to its dissolution in 1988. Material relating to bylaws, committees, elections, and membership meetings is included. Financial records consist of budget planning and fundraising through a variety of grant projects. Application forms and mailing lists reveal that membership was available to both individuals and organizations.

The subject file comprises the bulk of the collection. Correspondence, printed matter, and reports cover topics relevant to older women such as aging, financial independence, adult education, employment, and health care. A portion of the miscellany section includes production material for a resource directory published by the organization.

Arrangement of the Collection

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

Organizations

National Coalition on Older Women's Issues.

Subjects

Aging--United States.

Older women--Education--United States.

Older women--Employment--United States.

Older women--Medical care--United States.

Older women--United States--Economic conditions.

Older women--United States--Finance, Personal.

Older women--United States--Social conditions.

Older women--United States.

Women's health services--United States.

Women--Education--United States.

Women--Employment--United States.

Women--Medical care--United States.

Women--United States--Economic conditions.

Women--United States--Finance, Personal.

Women--United States--Social conditions.

Women--United States.

Places

United States--Economic conditions--1981-2001.

United States--Social conditions--1980-2020.

Container List

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| BOX 1 | Bylaws, 1980-1984 (2 folders) |
| BOX 1 | Committees and task forces |
| BOX 1 | Advisory, undated |
| BOX 1 | Employment, education, and training, 1982-1986 |
| BOX 1 | General, 1981 |
| BOX 1 | Health and well-being, 1981-1985 |
| BOX 1 | Pensions and social security, 1983 |
| BOX 1 | Steering, 1974, 1981-1986 (2 folders) |
| BOX 1 | Correspondence, 1974, 1980-1988 (3 folders) |
| BOX 2 | Dissolution, 1984-1990 |
| BOX 2 | Elections, 1983-198 |
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