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Introduction

This collection of nine boxes of papers was preserved and organized by Ms. Theresa J. White. Ms. White was involved with the Buffalo Model Cities Program during the early phase of its existence. Even after she left the program she continued to collect and preserve materials that would help to document an important period in the city of Buffalo. For more than a quarter of a century after the program ended, Ms. White continued to collect papers from that historic undertaking. With meticulous care, and over many nears, she organized the papers into the categories in which they are filmed. The papers were indexed and prepared for microfilming by Monroe and Freddie Mae Fordham. The collection was filmed by Charita Jackson and LaShawanda Ingram, students at Buffalo State College. The students were working under the supervision of the Fordham Regional History Center, at Buffalo State College. The Students were paid from a grant from New York State.
Preface

We hope this collection suggests the enormity of the possibilities of the Model Cities Program and reflects the participation of the citizens of the whole community and their desires for the model neighborhood residents. The collection includes:

1. Maps, charts and references for technical assistance and instruction.
2. New laws and policy changes of the various federal and state agencies co-sponsoring Model Cities Programs and other anti-poverty programs.
3. Media interpretation of model neighborhood activity and that of friends, professional and semi-professional agencies and institutions stimulated by a new awareness of inner-city resident needs; and
4. Letters, position papers, research papers, and proposals reflecting their findings, opinions, attitudes and offerings to participate.
5. Conference and meeting notes from groups and individuals debating program needs.
6. Lists of tapes, audio-visual aids and publications of professional and commercial groups offering to aid, teach, counsel, consult with, or lead Model Cities personnel in their action decisions.
7. Formal evaluations with recommendations for continuation of current activity and post-program years’ extension and expansion of services.
8. Data reflecting the political climate in the nation, state, and locality influencing model neighborhood residents, elected officials, and interested taxpayers residing outside the area who seek to stop, to share or control the projects, programs or personnel.

We recognize the efforts of those in the public or private sector, individuals and institutions, who have worked long and hard for the poor.

We understand the personal pain often associated with self evaluation as we anguish over the inadequacy of resources that are assigned to our attack on poverty. We forgive those who point out our needs, who shelter, protect and supply resources, however meager, for our use.

With great humility, we thank God for the opportunity to use those resources, and our own, to alter positively the lives of our people.

To those who have judged and condemned, praised and clapped, or stood silently and watched, we hand the torch.

Theresa J. White
Buffalo, New York
2004
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## ADMINISTRATION (1 – 10)

   - The Buffalo Model City Conference, January 19-20, 1967.
   - Model Cities Contact List.
   - Jesse E. Nash, Jr. receives Community Service Award.
   - Jesse E. Nash, Speech on Model Cities.
   - Buffalo MNA maps.
   - Northeast Region Model Cities Union directory.
   - Mayor’s Buffalo Model Cities Steering Committee, 1967.
   - Buffalo Model City Organizational Structure.
   - Technical Assistant Group.
   - Various Community Advisory and Support Groups.
   - Buffalo Model City Organization Charter.
   - Misc. Information Documents on Buffalo Model City

2. Various Papers on Buffalo’s Organization & Officials.
   - Numerous Transcripts/Minutes of Community Meetings.
   - Several memos about Buffalo Program.
   - “Agencies of Change and Political Behavior: A Study of Change Processes in Buffalo.”
   - Numerous inter-agency memos to and from Theresa White
   - Minutes of review and referral Board meeting, 1969.
   - Inter departmental correspondence.
   - Numerous reference reports from Federal Government.

   - Model Neighborhood Area maps
   - News clipping announcing funding for Buffalo.
   - Model Neighborhood Area Charter, Buffalo, NY.
   - Problem Profile Statistics, Buffalo.
   - Numerous Memos.
   - Buffalo Model City job descriptions.
   - News clippings and other information documents on Buffalo Program.

4. HUD memo and reports.
   - Minutes of community meetings.
   - Numerous pieces of inter departmental correspondence.
   - National Model Cities Conference.
   - Reports of numerous national meetings.
   - Reports of numerous local meetings.
   - Correspondence.
   - By-laws, Model Cities Agencies Association.

5. Mostly inter departmental and memos from HUD, news paper clippings, minutes of community meetings, etc, 1969.

   - Model Cities Citizen Union, Inc.
   - Memos and reports from HUD.
   - By-laws and minutes from Buffalo Referral Board.
   - The Model City Work Program of Buffalo.
   - MNA Board of Supplemental Education and Training.”
   - Reports on education, planning, budget economic development, etc.
   - Numerous memos.
7. Minutes of community advisory group meetings, reports, memos, newspaper clippings, and other information on community advisory groups.

8. Project Information Forms.

9. Model Cities Programs in Other Cities and States.

10. Model City Program, Buffalo, New York; a two inch booklet that contains a comprehensive explanation of the Buffalo Model City Program, 1969.

APPLICATIONS AND PROPOSALS (11 & 12)

11. Application to HUD for a grant to plan a comprehensive city demonstration program for the city of Buffalo, NY, 1967. A two inch thick 9 part proposal.

12. “To Improve the Quality of Urban Life.” Committee for an Urban University.
   “We Ourselves.” Community Action Organization.
   “Three General Contributing Factors of Blighted Areas.” SNCC.
   “Planning by Sections.” Citizens Community Interests.
   “The Development of an Educational Demonstration Center.” Community Action Organization.
   “Involvement of Neighborhood People Component.” Family Service Society Reach-out Staff.
   “Improving the Quality of Urban Life.” NAACP
   “Quality Housing, Education and Service for the Model Neighborhood Area.” Citizen Council on Human Relations.
   “African Cultural Center,” African Cultural Center, Inc.
   “Curing the Causes rather than the Symptoms.” B.U.I.L.D.
   “A Health and Welfare Information and Referral Studies.” Genevieve H. Holmes
   “Working with the Person Charged with a Crime or Violation.” Phoenix Association.
   “Youth Employment.” C.A.O. Neighborhood Youth Corps.
   “Proposals and Suggestions from the MNA Residents.”
   “Proposals and Suggestions from MNA Community Groups.”

CULTURE AND RECREATION (13 – 15)

13. Overview
    Masten Community Workshop, Inc.
    WATU Center of Urban Design

14. Culture Committee
    Project Friendship
    Newspaper Clippings
    Correspondence
    Reports, position statements, etc., on culture and recreation.
    Culture committee meeting minutes.
    Proposals

15. A one inch thick folder with various papers, newspaper clippings, correspondence, community maps, etc., on culture and recreation projects.
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<td>Correspondence, position papers. News clippings, reports, meeting minutes, etc. on job related topics.</td>
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<td>Audio-visual aids, publications, black history materials, position papers and other materials that can be useful in Afro-American training programs.</td>
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<td>Printed material and reports on “ethnic makeup” of workers, etc.</td>
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<td>Numerous reports on the Buffalo Public Schools.</td>
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<td>Numerous New York State and Buffalo publications on education.</td>
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<td>Position papers, reports, working papers, minutes of community advisory committee, and things related to education in the Buffalo Public Schools and urban education.</td>
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<td>Produced by students, faculty, and/or committees at SUNY at Buffalo, working papers, discussion papers, minutes of urban education advisory groups, minutes of equal opportunity committees, etc.</td>
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              Health Activities  
              Correspondence.  
              Report on Immunofluorescent Program Site Visit.  
              Post-graduate Training for General Practitioners and Pediatricians…”  
              Numerous other Reports on Medical Programs.  
              Correspondence and other reports on Regional Medical Program of WNY. |
| 44          | Reports, correspondence, and other materials on Regional Medical Program of WNY. |
| 45          | Various reports and materials from Erie County Department of Health. |
| 46          | Evaluation – Health Guide Program.  
              Instructions for Preparing New or Refunding Applications for Support of Comprehensive Health Services Projects….  
              Various Reports and Papers on Health Services in WNY.  
              Pamphlets on Health Services. |
| 47          | Papers, articles, reports, correspondence, and minutes of meetings on Health Services in WNY. |
| 48          | Same type of material as #47. |
| 49          | Same type of material as #47 and #48. |
| 50          | Mental Health Committee meeting minutes and various papers and reports on Regional Health program topics. |
| **HOUSING (51 – 56)** | |
| 51          | Application for a Comprehensive Planning Grant.  
              Selected References on Housing for the Aged.  
              “A Plan for 1,300,000 People.”  
              “The Negro in the Suburbs,” six articles by Dr. James Heck. (about Buffalo)  
              “Major Projects Completed or Underway.”  
              “Operation Bootstrap.”  
              “History of Hamlin Park Community and Taxpayers Association.”  
              “Intergovernmental Relations in the Poverty Program.”  
              Performance of Urban Functions: Local and Area wide.”  
              Paper, “Needs of Urban Renewal Relocates.”  
              “Coordination of Federal Urban Programs.”  
              Erie and Niagara Counties Regional Planning Board Membership Composition.  
              “Urban Planning Assistance Program.”  
              “Integration in Housing,” published by HOME.  
              “Responsibilities of the Department of HUD.”  
              “Building the American City.”  
              “Beautifying Urban America.”  
              “Summary of the Urban Renewal Program.”  
              “Community Action Memo.”  
              “Setting Up an Apprenticeship Program.” |
| 52          | “Law and Contemporary Problems.” |
“Code Enforcement Grant Handbook.”
“Section by Section Summary of the Housing & Urban Development Act of 1968”
“Law In Action,” numerous articles that are poverty related.
“Using the Urban Renewal Program to Provide Low Cost Public Housing Sites.”
“Buffalo-Amherst Urban Impact Study Design.”
“NYS Housing Programs for the Aging.”
Correspondence.
“Relocation Activities and Equal Opportunity in Housing.”
Memos and information documents on Housing.
“What is in the 1968 Housing Act.”
Memos and information documents on housing.
“A Promise to Keep.”
“NYS Capital Grant: Low Rent Assistance Program.” Also papers on other topics.
Memos and information documents on housing.
“Concentrated Code Enforcement; Hamlin Park (Buffalo).”
“Humboldt Family Association.”
Memos from HUD
“Kennedy Park Homes Association.”
“Our Understanding of the Present Situation.” (Buffalo)
“HUD-FHA Assisted Program for Rental and Co-op Housing for Low Income.”
Minutes of meeting, Task Force for Open Housing.
“The Buffalo-Amherst Corridor.”

53 Housing Program Relationships + Buffalo City maps.
“Law in Action” newsletter.
“Architectural Barriers Regulations.”
Memos, and other information on local topics.
“Tenant Management Corporations.”
Local newspaper clippings.
HUD policy papers.
“Planning Legislation in NYS.”
“Population,” “Community Facilities,” Buffalo Division of Planning.
“Buffalo – Amherst Corridor.”

54 “Housing Committee.”
“Fact Sheet on Buffalo’s Housing and Property Code.”
“NYS Housing and Community Development Programs.”
“Work Program and Study Design for Extension of Community Renewal Programs, Buffalo NY.”
“Housing and Physical Environment.” (Buffalo)
Correspondence & Reports on meetings.

55 Housing documents.
“Buffalo Model City Organization Charter.”
“Minimum Housing Standards Ordinance of the City of Buffalo.”
Alliance for Labor Action. (Substance of two day meeting in Washington, D.C.).
“Buffalo – Amherst Corridor; Technical Report.”
Published article, “The Urban Renewal Condemnation System Scandal and Other Related Practical Problems of Local Government.”
“A Proposal,” Task Force for Opening Housing.
Chapters from Urban Renewal Handbook.
Inter Departmental Correspondence.
Minutes, Model City Housing Committee.
“The Tea Council Statement of Complaints Received from Tenants of Talbert Mall.”
Model Cities Emergency Repair Service.
Reports, Correspondence, news paper clippings, and other documents on housing.
56  “Erie & Niagara Counties Regional Planning Board Membership Composition.”
    “The HUD Regional Administrator Should Be Recognized As the Man in Charge.”
    Articles, Correspondence, Pamphlets and other information on Planning.

PRE-SCHOOL (57 – 64)

57  “Child Care Arrangements of Full-time Working Mothers.”
    “Determining Fees for Day Care Services.”
    “Guide Specifications for Positions in Day Care Centers.”
    Forum (A newsletter)
    Articles, governmental guidelines, and other printed material on Day Care.

58  Articles, pamphlets, and other information pre-school topics.
    Memos and other documents pertaining to Walls Memorial Cultural Center.
    Bibliographies on kindergarten education.

59  All papers in this container pertain to Walls Memorial Cultural Center and the evolution of Head Start in Buffalo.

60  Correspondence, minutes, reports, etc., all pertain to Walls Memorial Cultural Center and the evolution of Head Start in Buffalo.

61  Papers in this container pertain to the Community Action Organization of Erie County, the agency that became responsible for Head Start.

62  Pamphlets, reports, and correspondence from governmental agencies.
    Correspondence from Buffalo Model City Agency.
    Pamphlets and articles on Day Care.
    Meeting Notes.
    Correspondence.
    Articles and Guidelines on Child Care.


64  Youth Tutoring Youth, newsletter, several issues 1968 & 1969.

PUBLIC SAFETY (65 & 67)

65  Public Safety Committee.
    Numerous maps of the City of Buffalo.
    Newspaper clippings.
    5th Institute on Police-Community Relations, Buffalo Common Council; Theme, “Police Responsibility in Race Tensions and Conflicts.”
    “Crisis Facing the Nation’s Police.”
    “Youth Crime, Buffalo NY, 1966.”
    “The Courts, the Children, the Controversy.”
    “Richmond, Indiana –July 28, 1967; The Riot that never Happened.”
    Police Community Relations Committee
    Buffalo NY; Rumor Control Center.
    “…Justice For All: A Guide for Law Enforcement Officers.”
    Excerpt from, Report of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders
    “Buffalo Commission Disorder Communication Center (DCC).
    “Buffalo Programs on Police/Community Relations.”
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66    Public Safety Committee
      “Police-Community Relations and the Role of the Non-professional.”
      “Citizens Administrative Service: Second Report”
      Excerpt from, Report of the National Advisory Commission on Civil Disorders.
      Bibliography-Buffalo
      “A Proposal for Programs of Training Directed Toward Improving Communication Between Public
      Officials and Urban Minorities.”
      News on Funding from the Ford Foundation.
      Proposals.
      “Public Information and Civil Disorders”
      Numerous Public Safety Periodicals.

67    Publication from U.S. Law Enforcement Assistance Program.
      Minutes of meetings, and other information on Buffalo topics.
      Correspondence, minutes of meetings, and printed reports on public safety topics

SOCIAL SERVICES (68 – 73)

68    Social Services Committee.
      Family Assistants List.
      Maps of Target Areas.
      “Alternate Methods of Surveying the Needs of the Poor, and other charts.”
      “Information on the Buffalo Model Cities Program.”
      Directory of Women’s Organizations in Buffalo area.
      Pamphlets on social services topics.
      Correspondence, minutes of meetings, newspaper clippings

69    Census information from New York State.
      Correspondence.
      Paper, “Proposal for an Office on Technical Assistance & Community Planning.”
      Law in Action (periodical)
      Printed material, and minutes of meetings, etc.
      “Black Summer, 1969” (Buffalo)
      Correspondence, printed material, and other reports on the Buffalo program.

70    Correspondence, newspaper clippings, and other material on employment related topics.
      SUNYAB proposal to expand graduate program in Social Work.
      Other material from the Univ. of Buffalo.
      Published articles on social welfare related topics.
      Non published material on social welfare related topics.

71    “Penal Law.”
      “Interstate Compact Activity.
      News paper clippings.
      “Parents Anonymous of Buffalo and Erie County.”
      “Services for Victims of Domestic Violence.”
      Galaxy Conference Resource People.”
      “Basic Facts about Mental Illness.”
      Reports

72    All material in this container pertains to “Multi-problem Families.”

73    All material in this container pertains to “Work Incentive Program.”
TRANSPORTATION (74 & 75)

74  Transportation Committee.
    Erie County Maps.
    Local newspaper articles.
    “Job Opportunities through Transportation Project,” Buffalo Urban League.
    “What is Project JOTT?”
    “A Transportation Inquisition.”
    Articles, newspaper clippings, and other material on Niagara Frontier Transit Authority.
    Other printed material on transportation.

75  Articles and newspaper clippings on transportation.
    “Buffalo-Amherst Urban Impact Study Design.”
    “Buffalo-Amherst Corridor.”
    “Buffalo-Amherst Urban Impact Study.”
    “Application for a Technical Study Grant to Advance and Implement a Transit Development Program on the Niagara Frontier, 1969.”
    Other documents related to transportation.