The records of UAW Local 598, Flint, Michigan were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in July of 1977 by Fred Freeman and were opened for research in July of 1985.

The papers of UAW Local 598 consist primarily of clippings and correspondence relating to Samuel Duncan, who served as president of the local from 1963 through 1977. Additional papers include testimonials from local, state and national organizations on the occasion of a dinner in Mr. Duncan's honor in July, 1975.

Sam Duncan became the president of Local 598, Fisher Plant No. 2, Flint, Michigan when the previous president resigned, thereby becoming the first black president of any union local in the Flint area. Subsequently, Mr. Duncan was re-elected as president until his retirement. In addition to his union duties, he was widely known for his civil rights activism. He served one term as president of the Flint branch of the NAACP.

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- Clippings, 1960-75
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Eight photographs of Samuel Duncan and colleagues, Michigan state officeholders and others have been placed in the Archives Audiovisual Collection.