

THE DAVID COHEN COLLECTION

3 Manuscript Boxes

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The papers of David L. Cohen were deposited with the Labor History Archives in Nov., 1967 by Mr. Cohen.

David Cohen received the PhB degree from Monteith College, Wayne State University in December, 1968. He has served as a member of the boycott staff and as boycott coordinator for the United Farm Workers in San Diego and Detroit (1966); founder and Director of the Canfield Tutorial Project in Detroit (1965); and member and chairman of the Library Committee of the West Central Organization in Detroit (1965-1966).

Mr. Cohen is a member of Workers Education Local 89 of the AFT and Local 231 of the Detroit Federation of Teachers. Since November, 1968, he has been employed as a Labor Program Specialist at the Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations, University of Michigan/Wayne State University.

The Collection covers the period from 1961 to 1967.

Important subjects are:

- Saul Alinsky
- Community organizations in Detroit
- Delano grape strike and grape boycotts
- University City II
- Urban renewal
- The Woodlawn Organization

Among the correspondents are:

- Cesar Chavez

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Description of Series

Boxes

- 1 United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (formerly National Farm Workers Association), 1965-1967. Newspaper clippings, leaflets, magazine articles, newsletters, and correspondence relating to the Delano grape strike and boycott. Arranged alphabetically by subject.

- 2 Minutes, reports, clippings, leaflets, newsletters, and miscellaneous papers relating to the West Central Organization, a neighborhood community organization in Detroit. The materials cover the period 1965-1967 and are arranged alphabetically by subject.

- 3 Reports, leaflets, clippings, newsletters, and other papers pertaining to various neighborhood community organizations in Detroit, and to Saul Alinsky and The Woodlawn Organization in Chicago. The materials cover the period 1961 to 1967 and are alphabetically arranged.

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Box 1 National Farm Workers Association

1. Articles - California Farmer, 1966
2. - " " , 1967
3. - miscellaneous, 1965-1967
46. Clippings, 1965-1967 (3 folders)
7. Consumer picketing
8. Correspondence
9. Health Clinic
10. Labor support, background, 1965-1967
11. Legislation
12. Migrant workers in Michigan
- 13-14. Newsletters, 1966-1967 (2 folders)
15. Pilgrimage to Sacramento
16. Summer Project, 1967
17. El Teatro Campesino

Box 2 West Central Organization

1. Agendas and minutes, 1965-1967
2. Clippings
3. Community Co-op
4. Constitution and by-laws
5. Convention, 1966
6. Detroit Housing Commission
7. Early action, 1965
8. Jeffries Project
9. Miscellaneous committees, 1965-1967
10. New Neighborhoods
11. Play: A Thousand Leaders Among You
12. Publications
13. Research Park
14. Resolutions, 1965-66
15. Role of the Church
- 16-17. University City (2 folders)
- 18-19. Urban renewal, 1965-1966 (2 folders)
20. Urban renewal, Chicago trip, 1965
21. West Central Organizing Committee

Box 3 Community Organizations, Detroit and Chicago

1. Bagley Community Council, 1961-1964
2. Canfield Project, 1965
3. Citizens for a United Detroit, 1964
4. - Dave Cohen articles
5. Saul Alinsky - articles about, 1962-1966
6. - "Citizen Participation and Community Organization in Planning and Urban Renewal", 1962
7. Northwest Community Observer, 1965, 1967
8. The Woodlawn Organization (TWO) - articles, clippings, 1961-1965
9. - Booster, newsletter, and Observer, 1962-1967