The papers of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee were deposited with the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in 1967 and subsequent dates by the UFWOC.

The United Farm Workers Organizing Committee was formed in 1966 with the merger of the independent National Farm Workers Association (NFWA) and the Agricultural Workers Organizing Committee, affiliated with the AFL-CIO (AWOC).

The National Farm Workers Association was organized under the direction of Cesar Chavez in Fresno, California in 1962. It began as an independent, self-help organization for farm workers in California. In 1965, NFWA joined AWOC, whose membership was primarily Filipino-American, in strikes against a number of growers in the region centering around Delano in the San Joaquin Valley of California.

On August 3, 1966, NFWA and AWOC merged under a charter from the AFL-CIO to form the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee. Cesar Chavez was elected director and Larry Itliong of AWOC was elected assistant director.

Although the activities of UFWOC have centered in California, they have also attempted to organize farm workers in other areas of the Southwest and have promoted nationwide boycotts of California table grapes and the commercial products of California wine grape growers. In addition to its attempts to organize and represent farm workers, UFWOC operates a credit union, a health center and a newspaper.

The United Farm Workers Organizing Committee Collection consists of general subject and correspondence files as well as special files covering strikes, boycotts and negotiations. All are arranged in alphabetical order.
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