

UFW Missouri Boycott Office Records

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1968-1979

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Creator: United Farm Workers

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Language: Majority of material is in English with some Spanish.

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PLEASE NOTE: Material in this collection has been arranged by series ONLY. Folders are not arranged within each series – we have provided an inventory based on their original order. Subjects may be dispersed throughout several boxes within any given series.

Abstract

The records of the UFW Missouri Boycott Office relate to the various strikes and boycotts that occurred nationally during the period of the 1970s. The Missouri Boycott Offices were located in two locations, Kansas City and St. Louis. The people directing these boycott offices worked on petitions, boycotts of grocery store chains and agricultural products, and raising awareness about the UFW's dispute with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

The majority of material in this collection dates from the 1968 to 1979 and contains numerous correspondences, petitions, and fliers about the plight of the UFW. Some important events that are included in this collection include the Salad Bowl Strike and Grape Strikes.

Important Subjects:

Boycotts—United States
United Farm Workers
Grape Strike, Calif., 1965-1970
Strikes and lockouts
Lettuce Boycott

Important Names:

Chavez, Cesar, 1927-1993

Arrangement

The collection is arranged into 2 series.

Folders in each series are simply listed by their location within each box. They are not arranged, so any given subject may be dispersed throughout several boxes within each series.

Series I: St. Louis Boycott, 1968-1979

Series II: Kansas City Boycott, 1968-72

Series I

Box 1

1. Clippings and Newspapers, 1970s
2. Articles, Press Releases, 1970s
3. Clippings and agreements, 1975-76
4. Affidavits, Clippings and Speeches, 1970s
5. Film Documentary Materials, 1975
- 6-9. UFW-Teamster Dispute; fliers, articles, memos, correspondence, clippings, 1970s
10. Notes and fliers, 1976-79
11. Collective Bargaining agreement, 1970s
12. Newsletters, Clippings, 1976
13. Contracts, 1974
14. UFW Reports, cases, 1975
15. Gallo boycott materials, 1973
16. Grape boycott information, 1976
17. Grape boycott telegrams, 1972
18. Gallo boycott clippings, 1974
19. University of Missouri St. Louis Materials, 1973
20. Grape boycott clippings, 1975
21. Grape boycott—use of pesticides, 1968-69
22. News clippings, fliers, 1970s
23. Guild information, 1970s
24. Newsletters, speeches, clippings, 1976
25. Clippings and newsletters, 1970s
26. Clippings and reports, 1976
27. Affidavits, 1970s
28. Memos, fliers, news releases, 1974
29. Reports and news clippings, 1976
30. May 8, 1976 fiesta materials
- 31-32. Correspondence about illegal immigration, 1974
33. Correspondences, 1976
- 34-35. Coachella Grape Boycott Materials, 1976
36. Clippings, 1970s
37. Clippings, fliers, statements, 1970s
38. Pamphlets, notes, correspondence, 1970s
39. Illegal Immigrant affidavits, 1974

Box 2

1. Clippings, fliers, speeches, 1974
2. Memos, announcements, drawings, 1970s
3. Clippings and press releases, 1970s
- 4-5. Labor correspondence, 1974-76
6. Labor for peace, 1972
7. Funding proposals, 1973
8. Pledges for lettuce and grape boycotts, 1970s
9. Marianist apostle center, 1975
10. Volunteer walk info, 1975
11. Staff changes, 1973
12. Materials related to Safeway, 1973
13. Strawberries newsletter, 1976
14. Material related to illegal immigration, 1970s
15. Newsletters, 1974-76
16. Board of alderman, 1975
17. International socialists, 1975
18. Farm worker week, 1975
19. UFW Ecumenical service, 1975
20. Boycott addresses, 1975
21. National student association, 1974
22. Farm worker week, 1975
23. A.F.S.C., 1974
24. Donor lists, 1970s
25. Staff reports weekly, 1974
26. Cesar Chavez correspondence, 1974-76
27. Door to Door plans, 1976
28. High School contacts, 1975
29. Day care, 1974
- 30-31. Telephone Tax refusal, 1974-75
32. Farm Worker week, 1976
33. Pledges and donations, 1974
34. National Farm Worker Ministry, Rev. Hartmire visit, 1974
35. Volunteer Cards, 1975
36. Budget, 1975
37. Kansas City Boycott Materials, 1976
38. Phone lists, 1970s
39. Invoices—paid, 1970s
40. UFW—Support Materials, 1970s
41. Seminar on non-violent action, 1977
42. Straub's Task force, 1975
43. Colorado support committee, 1976
44. Kroger task force, 1970s
45. UFW National Food Chains, 1970s
46. UFW A&P Relations, 1970s

Box 3

1. Clippings and Newspapers, 1970s
2. Gallo Boycott, 1974-75
3. Media on Farm Workers, 1970s
4. Fundraising Materials, 1970s
5. Grape Boycott Materials, 1970s
6. IGA Boycott, 1974
7. Legal Affairs, 1975
8. Legal Correspondence, 1976
9. Field Reports of Robert Washington, 1970s
10. Field Reports of Paul Gaston, 1970s
11. Field Reports of Robert G. Hershberger and Velma Shotwell, 1970s
12. UFW Pickets, 1970s
13. Other First hand reports on Farm Labor and UFW, 1970s
14. Other Opinions of HB 2134
15. Miscellaneous Documents on Farm Labor
16. Meeting Notes, Petition letters, 1970s
17. Reports, 1974
18. Boycotts and Pickets, 1974
19. Materials related to Arizona Boycott, 1970s
20. Boycott Notes, 1970s
21. Media and TV reports on the Farmers, 1970s
22. Kroger lawsuit, 1974-75
23. Kroger clippings and newspapers, 1970s
24. Farmworker Support Group, 1970s
25. Clippings related to Arizona Boycotts, 1970s
26. Schnucks Boycott, 1975
27. Arizona Boycott, 1972
28. Liquor Store Boycotts, 1975
29. PET Inc. Materials, 1974
30. Clippings, 1974
31. Food Chains boycott, 1974
32. Arizona Ecumenical Council Report, 1972
33. Richard Cook report on strike, 1970s
34. United brands, 1979
35. Liquor store boycotts, 1975

Box 4

- 1-16. Volunteer Info Cards, 1970s

Box 5

- 1-6. Volunteer Info Cards, 1970s

Box 6

1. 2 Boxes of Slides
2. 3 Helical Scan Video Cassettes
3. 6 Audio Cassettes
4. 6 Stamps
5. 1 Slip of Negatives
6. 2 Bumper Stickers

Series II**Box 7**

- 1-2. Church Newsletters and Newspapers, 1972
- 3-4. Boycott Reports, 1971-72
- 5-6. Clippings, 1971-72
7. Church Newsletters, 1972
8. News clippings, 1970s
9. *Tazewellite* Newspaper, 1972
10. Notes on budgets, 1972
- 11-12. Boycott Reports, 1972
- 13-14. Communication Marketers, 1972
15. Boycott Reports, 1970
16. Clippings, 1968-70
17. Clippings, 1972
18. Clippings: New Lettuce Boycott
19. Newspapers, 1972
20. Good Housekeeping Farm Article, 1972
21. Minutes of Kansas City Labor Council, 1972
- 22-23. Newspapers, 1972
24. Mechanizations, 1970s
- 25-27. Boycott Materials, 1969-72
28. Endorsements, 1972
29. Volunteer Application, 1972
- 30-31. Store Checks, 1972

Box 8

- 1-2. Pesticides, 1972
3. Department of Defense Lettuce Boycott, 1972
4. Reports and Pamphlets, 1972
5. Union Programs, 1971
6. Endorsements: Lettuce, 1972
7. Idaho Boycott, 1970s
8. Lettuce Boycott Materials, 1972
9. Kansas City Citizens for UFW, 1972
10. Clippings on UFW, 1972
- 11-12. Fundraising, 1972
13. Institutional Purchases, 1971
- 14-19. Teamsters Vs. UFW Court Cases, 1975

20. Interoffice Communications, 1970s
21. Church Support of Grape Boycott, 1972
22. Endorsements, 1968
- 23-24. Boycott Reports, 1970-71
- 25-31. Correspondence, 1971-72

Box 9

1. Newspapers and Clippings, 1972
2. Outgoing Correspondence, 1972
3. Correspondence, 1972
4. Office Communication, 1972
5. Non-Violence Materials, 1970s
6. GOTV Materials, 1970s
7. Office Communication, 1972
8. Boycott Materials, 1972
9. Washington State Boycott, 1972
10. Colorado Boycott, 1972
11. Chicago Boycott, 1969
12. Boycott Clashes: notes, 1970s
13. Boycott Committees and Reports, 1970s
14. Lettuce Boycott Materials, 1970s
15. Grape Boycott Petitions, 1972
16. Boycott Posters, 1972
17. KC Lettuce Boycott, Fliers and Posters, 1971
- 18-19. Mailing Lists, 1971-72
20. History of UFW Book (*Basta!*), 1966