

**UFW Pennsylvania Boycott: Philadelphia Office Records
Parts 1 and 2**

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Abstract

The files contained within the UFW Philadelphia boycott collection, parts 1 and 2, reflect the activities of the Philadelphia office with organizing local support of the national boycott of California table grapes, lettuce, and later, Gallo wine. The boycott office primarily concerned itself with organizing letter writing campaigns to the growers, distributors (with special attention given to A&P), and public officials, and checking the local stores for boycotted grapes and lettuce. Attempts were made to influence these markets and the public not to purchase grapes and lettuce.

Important Subjects:

A&P grocery stores

Boycotts--Law and legislation--United States—States

Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company and Coachella growers

Consumer boycotts

Migrant agricultural laborers

Migrant Legal Action Program, Inc.

Pesticides—Health aspects

Pesticides—Law and legislation—United States

Purex Corporation, Ltd.

Secondary boycotts

Important Names:

Adair, Doug

Chavez, Cesar, 1927-1993

Itliong, Larry

Lopez, Esperanza

Padilla, Gilberto

Schmidt, Eric

Shy, Ruth

Velasco, Pete

Williamson, Gordon

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