UFW Pennsylvania Boycott: Pittsburgh Office Records
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Abstract
The Pittsburgh boycott office was set up and coordinated by the United Farm Workers Union to handle the organization of boycotted products and establishments in the state of Pennsylvania and its surrounding region. The office, headed by Frank Ortiz, Sr. Carol Dougherty, Barbara Macri and a number of others, dealt mainly with the boycotting of stores, which sold non-union products, or were involved in anti-union activities. As well, the office involved itself with other UFW interests including migrant workers operating in Pennsylvania, pesticide abuse and the lobbying for or against specific legislation being proposed at the state and federal levels.

The records of the Pittsburgh Boycott office relate to the grape and lettuce strikes that were initiated by the United Farm Workers Union and the national boycott efforts that followed.

Important Subjects:
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Collective bargaining—Agriculture—California
Labor union boycott support
National Student Committee for Farmworkers
Religious boycott support
Strikes and lockouts—Agricultural laborers—California
Schools and universities boycott support

Important Names:
Chavez, Cesar, 1927-1993
Cisneros, Graciela
Dougherty, Sr. Carol
Macri, Barbara
Ortiz, Frank
Siegler, David
Arrangement
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