

**AAUW Detroit Records**

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**Abstract**

The American Association of University Women Detroit (AAUW Detroit) is a branch of the AAUW, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower women and improve their lives. Established in 1889, AAUW Detroit is the oldest branch of the AAUW of Michigan. It is also the oldest continuously active women's organization in Detroit. They advocate for issues related to education, politics and economics, promoting their mission through education, and research. They also maintain leadership development and mentoring programs for local women and girls.

The AAUW Detroit Records are mostly comprised of scrapbooks containing organizational records, correspondence, press clippings, photographs of meetings, and other various items documenting the branch's history. There are also info packets from conferences hosted by the AAUW Detroit or attended by its members. These packets contain schedules, draft AAUW bylaws, information on event speakers, and other documents. Also scattered throughout the collection are issues of *Leader in Action: AAUW National Leadership Magazine*, mailers, brochures, and bound organizational records.

**Arrangement**

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