

New York State War Council Office of Civilian Mobilization Correspondence with Local War Councils and Volunteer Agencies A3084

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Overview of the Records

Repository: New York State Archives

Summary: This series contains Office of Civilian Mobilization (OCM)

correspondence relating to the organization and coordination of community services by local war councils and volunteer agencies. The OCM also encouraged local agencies supported recreation activities to the prevent juvenile delinquency and maintaining morale; recruited women to work in defense industries and agriculture; promoted child care for those who needed the service; and encouraged pre-induction activities to help young men make the transition from civilian to soldier.

Creator: New York State War Council. Office of Civilian Mobilization

Title: Correspondence with local war councils and volunteer agencies

Quantity: 12 cubic feet

Inclusive Date: 1942-1945

Series: A3084

Arrangement

Alphabetical by county or city.

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Scope and Content Note

This series contains correspondence relating to the organization and coordination of local volunteer agencies in community services. Through correspondence with the local war councils and volunteer agencies the Office of Civilian Mobilization (OCM) promoted recreation activities as they related to preventing of juvenile delinquency and maintaining morale. It also encouraged local agencies to recruit women to work in defense industries and agriculture, and promoted child care for those who needed the service. The OCM also promoted pre-induction

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activities (such as award ceremonies, community support parties, and counseling) to help young men make the transition from civilian to soldier.

Topics covered include recreation, child care, nursing recruitment, women in the work force, salvage collection, pre-induction of soldiers, and other topics relating to the support of home front activities. Also found in this series are newsletters from county volunteer agencies relating their activities in these areas. Frequently, lists of county committee members detailing names and positions within the local agency are found.

The OCM also disseminated information on home front activities by providing pamphlets on salvage, food preservation, production, the "Don't Travel" campaign, pre-induction activities, nursing recruitment, and recreation. Requests and responses for this information is found within the correspondence.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Folder and roll lists are available at the repository.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Alternate Formats AvailableAlternate Formats Available

Microform is available at the New York State Archives through interlibrary loan.

Microfilm: 49 reels; 35mm.

Administrative Information

Processing Information

This series was originally accessioned as boxes 128-138 of old collection #77, accession -71.

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Access Terms

- Recreation and juvenile delinquency--New York (State)
- Nursing--New York (State)
- Coordinating citizen participation
- World War, 1939-1945--Civilian relief--New York (State)
- World War, 1939-1945--Women--New York (State)
- World War, 1939-1945--Social aspects--New York (State)
- Voluntarism--New York (State)
- New York (State)
- World War, 1939-1945--War work--New York (State)