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Youth and Work Coordinator's subject and correspondence files B0600

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series includes meeting minutes and reports; administrative records; public relations materials; studies, professional journals; project proposals; manuals; field reports; and correspondence with Federal, State, and local government agencies, community service organizations and professionals in sociology and social work. Ersa H. Poston compiled the records as Regional Director and later Youth and Work Coordinator for the Division for Youth. The records directly reflect the Division's mission and functions. Topics include juvenile delinquency, anti-social behavior, high school dropouts, and community organization.
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Title:	Youth and Work Coordinator's subject and correspondence files
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Arrangement

Arranged roughly by subject.

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Administrative History

Ersa H. Poston was appointed Regional Director of the New York State Youth Commission in 1957 and continued in that capacity when the State Division for Youth superseded the Youth Commission in 1960. Poston directed the agency's operations in New York City, Long Island, and the counties of Westchester, Dutchess, Putnam, Rockland, Orange, Ulster, Sullivan, Delaware, Greene, and Columbia. In 1963, Poston was appointed to the position of Youth and

Work Coordinator, with responsibility for overseeing the Division's statewide program of work training for high school dropouts.

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Scope and Content Note

Ersa H. Poston compiled the records in this series while serving as Regional Director and later Youth and Work Coordinator for the Division for Youth. The records directly reflect the Division's mission and pertain to functions such as: the administration of projects focusing on community organization, education, recreation, policing, psychological and social casework, and other related youth services; the compilation and analysis of data regarding juvenile delinquency and the treatment of adolescents with anti-social behavior; the recruitment of staff to participate in youth services programs; and the development and implementation of programs designed to improve the employability of secondary school dropouts.

Records in the series include meeting agendas, minutes, and reports; press releases; newsletters; conference programs; published studies, program brochures, professional journals, and statistical reports; youth services program descriptions and project proposals; youth services job descriptions; grant applications; field work and research procedure manuals; sample data collection forms; field reports; draft speeches and background materials; correspondence with federal, State, and local government agencies, as well as private community service organizations; and correspondence with professionals in the fields of sociology and social work.

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Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Container list.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Administrative Information

Custodial History

The Division for Youth transferred these records to the State Archives in 1984. They were accessioned in conjunction with a project undertaken by Archives staff in 2004 to describe or integrate estrayed or unidentified records.

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Access Terms

- Juvenile delinquents--Education
- Assisting youth
- Reports
- Dropouts--Employment
- Vocational training
- Juvenile delinquency
- New York (State)
- Pamphlets
- New York (State). Youth Commission
- Poston, Ersa H.