New York State Urban Development Corporation Director of Program Development Subject and Correspondence Files B2732
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Overview of the Records

Repository: New York State Archives

Summary: These records document D. David Brandon's tenure as Director of Program Development for the New York State Urban Development Corporation (UDC). Records include correspondence, memorandums, and pamphlets and brochures publicizing UDC projects. Notable topics covered by these records include the development of the West Side Highway in New York City and the creation of new communities such as Audubon (near Buffalo) and Radisson (near Syracuse).

Creator: New York State Urban Development Corporation

Title: Director of Program Development subject and correspondence files

Quantity: 4.5 cubic feet

Inclusive Date: 1961-1978

Bulk Date: 1971-1975

Series: B2732

Arrangement

Unarranged.

Administrative History

In 1971, D. David Brandon was appointed as the Urban Development Corporation's director of program development. In this role, he acted as the state agency liaison with Congress, federal administrative agencies, professional societies, and public interest groups. His responsibilities also included managing building and infrastructure technology; overseeing social facilities and services; planning New York City's West Side Highway; research, programming, and program evaluation; and supervising the 1972 Hurricane Agnes flood recovery program. Additionally, as
administrator for the New Communities Program, Brandon supervised the development of self-sustaining, mixed-use, mixed-income communities.

Scope and Content Note

These records document D. David Brandon’s tenure as director of program development for the New York State Urban Development Corporation (UDC), concentrating most heavily on the years 1971-1975. Records include correspondence, memorandums, and pamphlets and brochures publicizing UDC projects. Oversized materials include maps, aerial photos, and detailed architectural drawings and plans of the former Delaware and Hudson Railroad Building in Albany (later owned by UDC). Notable topics covered by these records include the development of the West Side Highway in New York City and the creation of new communities such as Audubon (near Buffalo) and Radisson (near Syracuse).

Related Information

Related Material

16183Series 16183, New York State Department of Economic Development Executive Office General Subject Files, and

B2725Series B2725, New York State Office of Planning Coordination Director’s Subject and Correspondence Files, contain related records.

Other Finding Aids

Available at Repository

Folder list is available at the repository.
Use of Records

Access Restrictions

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

Access Terms

- New towns
- Urban renewal
- Correspondence
- Planned communities
- Maps (documents)
- Pamphlets
- Memorandums