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AIDS Foundation
Records, 1983-1990

FINDING AID AUTHOR

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ACQUISITION INFORMATION

Sharon K. Parker donated these materials on behalf of the AIDS Foundation to Lambda Archives of San Diego in 1997. The AIDS Foundation dissolved in 1997 at which time these materials were salvaged from destruction/loss.

PROCESSING INFORMATION

This collection was processed by Gabrielle Garcia as part of the 2020 CSL Project. This project was guided by an overarching anti-racist framework that informs archival practice in all aspects at Lambda Archives. Therefore, along with processing the collections specified in the original narrative, we intentionally prioritize the collections of BIPOC and Transgender members of the community to preserve and disseminate their narratives, which have been historically ignored and suppressed in archives across the U.S.

This framework promotes transparency and accountability in our responsibility to those in the LGBTQ+ community that have been historically underrepresented, misrepresented and/or trivialized in archives. Our goals are to (a) gain or rebuild trust with BIPOC members of the community; (b) more fully reflect the community's diversity; (c) outwardly recognize the contributions that BIPOC have made which have enabled the community, as a whole, to flourish; and (d) improve the discoverability of these under-acknowledged histories to increase their engagement for varying purposes within the community and for research and public knowledge.

EXTENT

Number of containers: 1

Linear feet of shelf space: 1

ABSTRACT

BIOGRAPHY OR HISTORY

The San Diego AIDS Foundation (first known as the San Diego AIDS Project) was co-founded by Fred Acheson in 1983 (originally named the Shanti Project after the San

Francisco AIDS organization) to support people with AIDS in the early years of HIV/AIDS' emergence. In 1990, the San Diego AIDS Project and AIDS Assistance Fund merged to form the San Diego AIDS Foundation to address "cumbersome and repetitive application procedures as well as financial constraints." The organization abruptly closed in 1997 due to charges of money laundering.

https://www.sandiego.gov/sites/default/files/lgbtq_2016.pdf

COLLECTION SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection contains materials pertaining to the AIDS Foundation of San Diego (AFSD), the two organizations that merged to form it (San Diego AIDS Project and AIDS Assistance Fund), and various HIV/AIDS organizations and topics. These materials include, letters, forms, by laws, contact lists, manuals, applications, publications, reports, press releases, newsletters, newspapers, clippings, posters, and pamphlets.

ARRANGEMENT

This collection consists of 1 box divided into 3 series:

- Series I: San Diego AIDS Project
- Series II: AIDS Assistance Fund
- Series III: Publications, Clippings, and Printed Materials

SEPARATED MATERIAL

None.

SUBJECTS

AIDS Project, AIDS Foundation of San Diego (AFSD), AIDS Assistance Fund, AIDS/HIV, AIDS awareness, AIDS - funding, Antibody test

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS

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PREFERRED CITATION

The suggested citation for the collection is:

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AIDS Foundation Records, 1983-1990
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San Diego, California

RELATED MATERIAL

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LOCATION NOTE

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LANGUAGES

English, Spanish, French

CONTAINER LIST

Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)	
1	1	San Diego AIDS Project 501(c)(3)	1985	
1	2	San Diego AIDS Project Personnel Information	1987-1990	
1	3	AIDS Assistance Fund Articles, By Laws, Internal Documents	1985-1989	
1	4	AIDS Assistance Fund Personnel and Board of Directors	1987-1989	
1	5	AIDS Assistance Fund Requests for Funds	1987	
1	6	AIDS Assistance Fund Requests for Funds	1987	
1	7	AIDS-related Newsletters	1985-1990	
1	8	Advocacy Materials	1987-1990	
1	9	Clippings San Diego Union Tribune	1985-1989	
1	10	Clippings Los Angeles Times	1987-1990	
1	11	Clippings New York Times and Wall Street Journal	1987-1989	
1	12	Clippings San Diego local newspapers	1988	
1	13	Clippings Other Newspapers	1985-1990	
1	14	Clippings Magazines	1986-1989	
1	15	Clippings Scholarly	1984-1987	
1	16	AIDS-related Reports	1985-1990	
1	17	Antibody Testing Information	1983-1988	
1	18	AIDS-related Posters	1986-1989	
1	19	AIDS-related Pamphlets	1985-1989	