



Carlos Vega Collection of Latino History in Holyoke, 1958-2012

[bulk: 1970-2005] 43 boxes (24.5 linear ft.)

Collection number: 2011.1.2

Abstract

The Carlos Vega Collection of Latino History in Holyoke consists of administrative files, electoral and legal documents, scholarly works, memorabilia, and news clippings illustrating myriad facets of the social, political, and cultural Latino experience in Holyoke. The organizational records of Nueva Esperanza, which Vega co-founded and directed, as well as the minutes, budgets, memoranda, and grant proposals composed by various grassroots organizations, citizens' groups, and community foundations, demonstrate the all-encompassing scope, collaborative paradigm, and remarkable accomplishments of the programs that Vega developed, implemented, and inspired throughout the course of his life.

Since arriving in Massachusetts with his family at the age of five, in 1956, until his death in 2012, Carlos Vega was among Holyoke's most vibrant, influential, and effective community activists. Throughout his 56 years in the city, he proved unrelentingly invested in politics and social justice at the local and national levels. He remained steadily immersed and active in Holyoke goings-on, deeply dedicated to the betterment of the city's public services and to the experience and opportunity of its residents, and invariably involved in a plethora of social action committees and collaborative initiatives geared towards social, economic, and political justice and betterment. Serving on boards, developing and implementing social programs, and fulfilling various professional posts, Vega demonstrated an untiring commitment to the attainment of equity and due process in housing, hiring, healthcare, education, voting rights, natural resources, city planning, literacy, and the general improvement of socioeconomic conditions throughout the greater Holyoke area. Administrative files deriving from these activities dominate the intellectual content of the collection, while news clippings, decisions on civil and class-action lawsuits, elections and referenda, and some of Vega's personal items and papers, altogether manifest the obstacles, triumphs, and general trajectory of the Latino community in this socially and culturally unique zone of Western Massachusetts.

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The collection is open for research.

Biographical Note

Carlos Alberto Vega was born in Quito, Ecuador, on November 26, 1950 and moved to Holyoke with his family at the age of five. He attended Holy Rosary Elementary School between 1956-1962, and H. B. Lawrence, Jr. High School between 1962-1965. From 1965-1969 he attended Holyoke High School, where his activist leanings first began to manifest themselves in *Oracle*, the underground student paper he ran with Dave Potvin, and which afforded the space and discretion to criticize U.S. policy in Vietnam and advocate for civil rights. He became involved in the anti-war movement and felt closely tied to the momentous events of the Civil Rights Era, particularly the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the proceedings of the 1968 Democratic National Convention. In that year, he worked as the local advocate to write-in Dick Gregory for the presidential bid. In 1969, he enrolled in Holyoke Community College, where he served for two years as president of the student senate, and received the College's Leadership Award in 1971. He became more politically active throughout his college years, developing his ideology and advocating for peace, Native American rights, and the need for social change. Throughout the 60s and early 70s, he participated in moratoria and student strikes, and attended numerous conferences. His B.A. in Sociology was conferred by the University of Massachusetts-Amherst in 1975.



He began collaborating with various organizations during his undergraduate career, acting as a volunteer, program developer, social worker, counselor, and instructor, and serving on advisory boards and social action committees for groups like the United Citizens Action League, the Council for Children, the Minority Action Committee, the Regional Educational Council, and numerous others, before earning his Bachelor's degree. (A list of his professional affiliations appears in this guide's appendices.) His Catholic identity and upbringing also played a key role in his activism, and led him to join the executive board of the Holyoke-born Urban Ministries group, comprised chiefly of Protestant liberal clergy committed to alleviating the urban crisis, and under whose auspices he conducted voter registration drives and various community organizing initiatives. Later in his career he would serve as president and vice president of this group.

Throughout the 70s, 80s, and 90s, his involvement in local and regional social-action initiatives grew more and more robust. In 1982, he co-founded the agency Nueva Esperanza, a community development corporation that promotes improvements in housing, economics, education, and health and human services. From 1996 to 2007, he served as the agency's executive director, leading its collaborative programs, building coalitions with regional organizations and learning institutions, and making dramatic and palpable changes to the fabric of the local community, for which he has been the recipient of numerous prestigious honors and awards.

From 1982 through 1991, he worked closely with the Department of Social Services, serving diversely as technician, social worker, and program development specialist. In each position he provided information and referral services, worked with families requiring counseling, assistance, and rehabilitation services, filed petitions with the courts to ensure child safety measures, and negotiated employment contracts.

Though an indisputably able leader, Vega was also an excellent teammate, and collaborated harmoniously with fellow citizens on many projects and initiatives geared towards the public good. In this capacity he became involved in various legal hearings and public suits, most notably *Vecinos de Barrio Uno v. City of Holyoke*, filed in 1995, which continues to be one of the leading opinions in Voting Rights Act jurisprudence. He was also involved in *Olga Ramos et al. v. Ernest Proulx*, wherein the City of Holyoke was sued for disproportionately demolishing housing in low income and minority neighborhoods. Vega also ran three times for public office, organized various campaigns for school committee representatives, and fervently promoted voting rights and political involvement among his community.

Following his death on April 12, 2012, he was honored at a public memorial service at Holyoke Public School, where various colleagues, family members, classmates, and mentees spoke on his enduring influence and robust activism, and where a good deal of Pez dispensers that he collected were dispersed among community members (of which one has been added to the collection). On September 14, 2011, the Holyoke City Council approved a resolution to rename Hamilton Park after him to honor and prolong his legacy.

Scope and Contents of the Collection

The Carlos Vega Collection consists of 24.5 linear feet, dating from 1958 to 2012. Material formats include administrative and organizational documents, legislative files, campaign materials, letters, ephemera, photographs, posters, T-shirts, and a hefty button collection.

The predominant theme of the collection involves the pursuit of social, political, and economic justice both within the city of Holyoke and throughout the greater Latino community, in the latter half of the twentieth century. Materials document the growth, efforts, and impact of numerous grassroots organizations founded to promote social justice and equality, incentivize community involvement, and improve conditions in Holyoke schools, homes, streets, and public offices. The experience of the community's Latino population is richly documented through the papers of local organizations as well as through dutifully collected public records, clippings, and legal files manifesting the city's social trajectory, municipal challenges, and demographic composition. The materials altogether narrate a history of unflagging commitment to social justice and to the improvement of Holyoke's services and social responsibility.

In addition to founding and serving on the boards of many local organizations, campaigns, and citizens' committees, Vega thoroughly collected articles from various local and regional newspapers that addressed the principal themes of his community work: housing, education, energy administration, voting rights, public health, urban development, and literacy. The city and state public records evidencing objectively these same themes have been maintained only where they directly reference the Latino experience or are clearly connected to programs

and community projects Vega undertook. (For all other official city data, census records, and demographic statistics, see the Museum's Holyoke Collection.)

While overtly distinguishable social and political themes dominate the intellectual content of the collection, its holdings have been arranged to reflect the impetus of their origination and the purpose of their dissemination, rather than the subject(s) of their overt focus. To this effect, the collection has been arranged into series by material genre and function, and the often overlapping social themes they address are thus interspersed throughout the collection. Vega's original order has been maintained to the highest degree within this arrangement scheme.

The Collection has been arranged in the following five series:

Series 1. Biographical materials, 1958-2012

Series 2. Organizations and activities, 1958-2012

Series 3. Legal and political files, 1971-2009

Series 4. Printed works, 1969-2012

Series 5. Media and artifacts, 1969-2012

Information on Use

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History of the Collection

Donated by Carlos Vega, 2011.

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Additional Information

Languages

English, Spanish

Separated Materials

Duplicate materials, published works, city records publicly available elsewhere, non-archival bindings and folders, and paper clips have been duly removed from the collection.

Related Materials

Related materials may also be found in the following collections housed within the Five-College area:

Francesca Rheannon Papers, 2001-2006 (MS 543), Sophia Smith Collection, Smith College

Hampshire Community Action Commission Records, 1965-1984 (MS 56), W. E. B. Du Bois Library, UMass Amherst

Haymarket People's Fund, Western Massachusetts Records, 1975-1983 (MS 336), W. E. B. Du Bois Library, UMass Amherst

Holyoke Collection, Wistariahurst Museum, Holyoke

Luz Rodriguez Papers, 1945-2006 (MS 539), Sophia Smith Collection, Smith College



Martín Espada Papers, 1957-2006, Amherst College

Series Descriptions

Series 1. BIOGRAPHICAL MATERIALS (3 boxes; 2.25 linear ft.)

Series 1 includes items pertaining to Vega's experience as a teacher, social worker, and community activist. It is comprised of letters, thank-you notes, job applications, résumés and evaluations, awards and certificates, speeches and writings, planners, calendars, and ephemera. Correspondence affiliated with or composed in direct relation with concrete professional activities has been collated with the relevant organization (in Series 2). Noteworthy correspondence includes letters from United States Congressmen John Olver and David Bartley, Professors Jules Chametsky and Joanne V. Creighton, as well as representatives of many municipal departments and community organizations in the Holyoke area. A particular highlight is a string of telegrams and letters between social activist Jerry Rubin and Holyoke Community College, in advance of an April 3, 1970 speaking engagement at that institution. A non-exhaustive list of correspondents appears in this guide's appendices. Clippings in this series refer to news features exclusively on Vega's life and legacy; clippings on his public office campaigns appear in Series 3b; and those he collected himself from local press have been allocated their own series.

Series 2. ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES (20 boxes; 8 linear ft.)

Series 2 includes meeting minutes, agendas, budgets, annual reports, grant proposals, strategic plans, articles of incorporation, bylaws, financial records, personnel data, and correspondence generated by private, non-profit, and public organizations, foundations, task forces, and other community and regional initiatives conducted on the city, county, state, and national levels. Isolated conferences, collaborative programs, and special events have also been included, where administrative records are present; in many of these cases, papers have been arranged according to principal sponsors or participants; an index of collaborative programs appears in this guide's appendices. Functions and initiatives for which only published or promotional materials exist have been filed in Series 5e. Materials containing demographic, census, and other official data on the Holyoke community and the Latino experience within and without this vicinity, and whose data inexplicitly drove or informed the initiatives developed by these organizations, have been filed in Series 4d. The presence of photographic materials (Series 5c) pertaining to specific organizations has been denoted by the symbol ; that of posters or ephemeral material is indicated by .

Series 3. LEGAL AND POLITICAL FILES (1 box; 0.4 linear ft.)

Subseries A. Court records and public hearings, 1979-2008

Subseries B. Political & electoral records, 1971-2009

Series 3 has been subdivided into two subseries: legislative records and political files. The legal subseries contains records on civil suits brought before the district court of Hampden County, with related correspondence and research files, as well as formal petitions, pleas, and public hearings. Noteworthy cases include *Vecinos de Barrio Uno v. City of Holyoke*, which challenged the legitimacy of the city's electoral structure and which remains a key case in Voting Rights Act jurisprudence; *Hispanic Parents Advisory Council v. City of Holyoke*, in which plaintiffs petitioned for bilingual education measures and special education plans; and *Olga Ramos, et al. v. Ernest E. Proulx et al.*, wherein the City of Holyoke was sued for, among other things, disproportionately demolishing residential buildings in low-income and minority neighborhoods.

Subseries B. contains materials deriving from mayoral, alderman, senatorial, and city council elections, including campaign management records, promotional fliers, and other election-related materials. Documentation on city- and state-wide ballot initiatives, overrides, and referenda manifest public and organizational responses to the construction of a casino in Holyoke and the licensing of its dam, among other issues. Campaign materials have been arranged by election year and the majority contain chiefly mailings and advertisements. Campaigns in which Vega helped to manage, or was himself a candidate, include strategic planning notes, canvassing itineraries, minutes, agendas, and other administrative files, in addition to mailings and other PR materials. A small sub-subseries includes miscellaneous items deriving from city elections, including voting protocols and affidavits, generic voting fliers, inaugural ball programs, and unofficial poll data.

Series 4. PRINTED WORKS (4 boxes; 13.25 linear ft.)

Subseries A. Community newsletters, 1969-2001

Subseries B. Articles, theses & scholarly works, 1982-2006

Subseries C. Organizational studies & creative works, 1977-2010

Subseries D. Latino community data, 1960-2010

Subseries E. Arts and events ephemera, 1984-2010

Subseries F. Clippings, 1960-2012

Series 4 has been organized into six sub-series. Subseries 4a contains limited runs of local and community periodicals and magazines, among them *Oracle*, the underground newspaper edited by Vega in his high school years. Bulletins published by organizations with significant administrative files have been arranged therewith, in Series 2.

Subseries 4b includes unpublished scholarly materials addressing social and political conditions in the Holyoke area and aspects of Latino culture and legacy in the United States, many of them senior theses and school papers in which Vega served as an instrumental resource.

Subseries 4c includes papers, studies, and creative works on the Latino experience in Holyoke generated by public and private institutions, agencies, and schools, and which served as primary resources in Vega's program-related research.

Subseries 4d includes data collected on the Holyoke community, including population statistics and national and state census data, city planning maps, unofficial city records and reports, and some voting records. Demographic analysis was central to many initiatives Vega instigated, particularly in grant applications which sought solid documentation of social and economic conditions in Holyoke. Wherever such records are directly affiliated with specific projects, they have been collated therewith.

Subseries 4e includes ephemera and fliers documenting community arts events and other functions and cultural celebrations pertaining to the Latino experience in Holyoke.

Finally, Subseries 4f comprises voluminous news clippings collected and collated by Vega, organized alphabetically by subject, and then chronologically within each subject. Where clippings pertain to narrowly delimited events and occasions, they have been collated therewith.

Series 5. MEDIA AND ARTIFACTS (8 boxes; 6.5 linear ft.)

Subseries A. Audio/visual, 2003-2007

Subseries B. Memorabilia & realia, 1969-2010

Subseries C. Photographs, 1974-2005

Subseries D. Posters, 1990-2011

Subseries E. T-shirts, n.d.

This series is comprised of three-dimensional and oversize materials and is subdivided by genre type. Series 5a includes video recordings of Carlos Vega and diskettes generated from electoral campaigns in which he was involved. Series 5b includes plaques, political buttons, and one Pez dispenser from among Vega's vast collection. Portraits of Carlos Vega, and photos of functions, programs, and Holyoke neighborhoods, residents, locales, and campaigns are collected under Series 5c, Photographs. Negatives have been collocated with positives wherever possible. Series 5d and 5e contain promotional/public service posters and T-shirts, respectively.

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Clippings	1973-2012	1	2
Curricula vitae, applications & biographies	1969-2005	1	3

Evaluations	1971-1998	1	4
Financial, insurance & voting records	1971-2004	1	5
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Public office campaigns [<i>See under 3b, Box 22, Folders 11, 18-19</i>]			
Student activities	1970	1	17
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Tributes	2010-2012	1	20
	Date	Box	Folder
SERIES 2. ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES <i>20 boxes; 8 linear ft</i>	1958-2012		
Americorps	1994; 2008	2	1
American Red Cross, Holyoke Chapter	1991-1992	2	2
Brian Boland Memorial Fund	1994-1998	2	3
Cambios Associates	2001	2	4
Casa Hispana [<i>See under Hispanic Council for Justice, Box 4, Folder 11</i>]			
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Ciudadanos Latinos Unidos por Holyoke (CLUH) ⚡	1991-1992	2	16
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Coalition of Spanish-Speaking Providers (CSSP)	1990-1991	2	18
Community Health Education Track [<i>See under UMass, Box 19 Folder 9</i>]			
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Conferences: Latino Public Policy Conference (<i>See also Mauricio Gastón Institute Box 12 Folder 4; Box 25 Folders 3-5</i>)	1999-2000	2	22
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Do Ask More (DAM) Committee [See under POWER, Box 17, Folders 5-9]			
Engaging Latino Communities for Education (ENLACE)	1995-2009	3	2-4
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Five College Committee for Community-Based Learning (CBL) (See under HPN/COPC Box 6 Folder 10-Box 7 Folder 3, and Mount Holyoke, Box 12 Folder 5)			
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Greater Holyoke Area Clergy Assoc.	1982-1983	4	6
Greater Holyoke Partnership	1990	4	7
Greenwork (Western Mass. Green Economy Working Group)	2008-2009	4	8
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Hampden County Regional Employment Board	1998	4	9
Hampden County Summer Youth Program [See under HPS Reports, Box 9 Folder 6]			
Hike for Holyoke	1969-1983	4	10
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Holyoke-Chicopee Head Start	1991	4	20
Holyoke Coalition	2007	4	21
Holyoke Community College ↩	1985-2009	4	22
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Holyoke Food and Fitness Policy Council	2006-2007	5	1
Holyoke Master Plan (See also Holyoke Planning Board, Box 6, Folders 3-6)	1997-1999	5	2-4
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Holyoke Teachers Association	1991-1995		10	2
Holyoke Teen Center	1986-1989		10	3
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South Holyoke Revitalization Coordinating Committee/HAP Grant ☒	2006-2008	18	4-9
Spanish Center Planning Board	1991	18	10
Springfield Public Schools	1999	18	11
Student Center for Educational Research and Advocacy (SCERA)	2006	18	12
Third Sector New England Capacity Building Fund (<i>See also Holyoke Planning Network, Box 5 Folder 6 – Box 7 Folder 5</i>)	2006-2009	18	13-17
United Citizens Action League (UCAL) ☒ (<i>See also Urban Ministry, Box 19 Folders 10-17</i>)	1980-1985	19	1-5
La espina (bulletin)	1980-1985	19	6
United Way ☞	1991-1992	19	7
University of Massachusetts Amherst ☞			
Arts Extension Service	1990	19	8
Community Health Education track	1994	19	9
Community Service Learning	2006	19	9
Urban Ministry, Inc. ☒			

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Administrative files			
List of potential funders [<i>See under Address books, Box 28</i>]			
Photographs [<i>See under Photographs, Box 27 Folder 17</i>]			
Prog: Day Therapeutic Community	1974-1975	19	17-19
Prog: Haymarket Fund grant	1981-1986	19	20
Prog: Hike for Holyoke [<i>See under Box 4, Folder 10</i>]			
Prog: Holyoke-Chicopee Area Drug Subcommittee	1975	20	1
Prog: Jobs Resolution	1982-1983	20	2
Prog: MFAT Subcommittee	1981	20	3
Valley Housing Development Corp. (VHDC)	1983-2005	20	4-12
Valley Opportunity Council, Inc. [<i>See under NE Prog Housing Group, Box 15 Folders 2-4</i>]			
Vecino a Vecino [<i>See under Neighbor to Neighbor, Box 12 Folder 9</i>]			
A Very Special Massachusetts [<i>See under UMass Arts Extension, Box 19 Folder 8</i>]			
Warren Plaut Memorial Fund	1987-1998	20	13-14
Western Mass. Community Development Corporation (CDC)	2005-2008	20	15-18
Western Mass Jobs with Justice	1993; 2006	20	19
Working Together for Holyoke	1987-2006	21	1-4

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SERIES 3. LEGAL AND POLITICAL FILES <i>1 box; 0.4 linear ft.</i>	1971-2009		

Subseries A. Court records & public hearings	1979-2008		
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Black Political Task Force v. Michael J. Connolly	1991	21	5
Cherry Computers v. Nueva Esperanza, Inc.	2007	21	6
Citizens for a Quality Environment v. Riverside Steam Co. (<i>See also CQE, Box 2, Folder 12-13</i>)	1988	21	7
Jauridez/Machuca/Pares v. Holyoke Housing Authority	1984	21	8
Hispanic Parents Advisory Council v. Ernest E. Proulx	1980-1981	21	9-10
Hispanic Parents Advisory Council v. Holyoke Public Schools	1989-1992	21	11-13
Holyoke Building Commissioner v. 1 Franklin and 59 Commercial Sts.	1979-1980	21	14
Holyoke Dept. of Codes and Inspections v. Contemporary Prop, Ltd.	1980	21	15
Holyoke Gas & Electric v. Boston Edison Co.	1987	21	16
Ilma Marina Lozano affidavit [<i>See under Hispanic Council for Justice, Box 4 Folder 11</i>]			
Ronald F. Poirier (hearing)	1988	21	17
Olga Ramos et al. v. Ernest Proulx et. al.	1982-1995	21	18-22
Carmen Sánchez v. City of Holyoke	1985-1986	21	23
Select Committee on Children, Youth & Families (hearing)	1986	22	1
United Waste Management, Inc. (site assignment hearing) (<i>See also HOPE, Box 5 Folder 12 – Box 6 Folder 2; and Mass. Highway, Box 11 Folder 17</i>)	2008	22	2-3
Vecinos de Barrio Uno v. City of Holyoke	1992-1998	22	4-7

Subseries B. Political & electoral records	1971-2009		
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Ballot initiatives, overrides & referenda			
1990: Citizens for Limited Taxation referendum (question 3)	1990	22	8
1991: Proposition 2½ (property tax statute)	1991	22	9
1995: Casino referendum	1995	22	10
1995: Dam licensing non-binding ballot question	1995	22	10
Campaign materials			
Holyoke Elections			

1971: Carlos Vega Campaign (School Committee Ward 2)	1971	22	11
1975: Carlos Vega Campaign (School Committee Ward 2)	1975	22	11
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1979: Willma Jennings, Félix Monarca Campaigns	1979	22	12
1983: Ernest Proulx, Terry Murphy Campaigns	1983	22	13
1985: Betty Medina Lichtenstein Campaign	1985	22	14-16
1987: Betty Medina Lichtenstein Campaign	1987	22	17
1989: Carlos Vega Campaign (School Committee Ward 7)	1989	22	18-19
1991: Diosdalo Lopez Campaign	1991	23	1
1993: Ruth Cruz Campaign ☒	1993	23	2
1999: Boulais, Brunelle, Burns, Conway, Jourdain, Joyce, Moriarty Pluta, Smith, Sullivan, Szostikiewicz Campaigns	1999	23	3
1999: José E. Correa Campaign	1999	23	4
2003: Gladys Lebrón-Martínez Campaign ☒	2003	23	5
2007: Bevan, Burns, Lisi, Moriarty Campaigns	2007	23	6
2009: Elaine Pluta Campaign	2009	23	7
Mass. State and regional elections	1982-2006	23	8
Misc. electoral and inaugural ephemera			
Election day summary & affidavits	1981-1985	23	9
Generic voting fliers	1975-2000	23	10
Inaugural balls	1986-2008	23	11
Unofficial poll data	1983-2001	23	12-13

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Black Citizens Newsletter	1985	23	14
Breakthru [See under Oracle, Box 24 Folders 13-15]			
Campana revista literaria	1993-1994	23	15
Emma Goldman Brigade	1975	23	16
La espina [See under UCAL, Box 19 Folder 6]			
For the People	1980-1981	23	17
Free Press of Springfield	1968	23	18
Grapevine	1972	23	19
Greater Holyoke Chamber of Commerce News	1999; 2001	23	20
Hello, Holyoke	1990	23	21-22
Holyoke	1995-1999	24	1-5
Holyoke Sun	1999	24	6
Junior League Newsletter	1989; 1991	24	7
MC (Model Cities) Reporter	1971-1972	24	8
Nueva Era	1991-1992	24	9-11
Oh No! Noho!	1986	24	12
Oracle (later Breakthru)	1969-1970	24	13-16
Paso Adelante	1994	24	17
Phoenix	1969-1971	24	18
River Valley Voice	1984	24	19
Thorn [See under UCAL, Box 19 Folder 6]			
Transcript-Telegram Holyoke supplement	1985	24	20
Subseries B. Articles, theses, and scholarly works	1982-2006		

<i>Arson-for-Profit and the Case of Holyoke, Massachusetts</i> Ray Taber and Rosemary Kelsall	1984	25	1
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<i>Community Description Profile</i> , Elizabeth McCormack	1982	25	2
<i>Community Gardening in Holyoke</i> , Carol DeLisle	1983	25	3
<i>Hidden Holyoke: An Historical Introduction</i> Daniel Czitrom (See also <i>Public History Project, Box 7, Folders 6-9</i>)	ca. 1985	25	4
<i>Holyoke at the Crossroads: Family, Ethnicity, and Community in a De-Industrialized Small City</i> Josh Miller (See also <i>Immigrant Learning Center, Box 25 Folder 29</i>)	1998	25	5
<i>Profile of the Canal Business District</i> : Meg Lewis et al.	1995	25	6
<i>Uphill All the Way: The Potential of Community-Based Devt. In South Holyoke</i> M.A. thesis, Thomas H. Harden	1986	25	7-10
<i>Urban Ministry: A Case Study in Holyoke, Mass.</i> B.A. thesis, M. Craig Fitzsimmons	1973	25	11-14
<i>Visions of an Old Mill City: The Future of Holyoke</i> , Martin Anise Meccouri	2006	25	15
<i>Who are Puerto Ricans?</i> [no author]	ca. 1988	25	16
Subseries C. Organizational studies & creative works	1977-2010		
American Red Cross <i>¿Quién será? / Risky Stuff</i>	1990	25	17
Care Center <i>Esperanzas y recuerdos</i>	ca. 1985	25	18
Enchanted Theater <i>Between the Canals: The Evolution of a Mill Town</i>	2001	25	19
Five College/Public School Partnership <i>Spreading the Word: A Directory of Mass. Organizations Serving Teachers and Administrators</i>	1991	25	20
<i>The SpaceMet Book</i>	1992	25	21-22
Greater Holyoke Foundation, Inc.	1997	25	23
Greenfield/Waterbury Popular Union <i>Agriculture and Agricultural Labor in the Connecticut River Valley</i>	ca. 1980	25	24
Hispanic Task Force <i>Policy Recommendations</i>	1983	25	25-27
Holyoke-Chicopee Area Council for Children <i>The Children's Yellow Pages</i>	1984	26	1
Immigrant Learning Center (See also <i>Holyoke at the Crossroads, Box 25 Folder 6</i>) <i>Immigrant Entrepreneurs and Neighborhood Revitalization</i>	2005	26	2
Institute for Responsive Education: <i>Equity and Choice: Future Designs for Educational Equity</i>	1988	26	3
Inter-University Program for Latino Research <i>New Directions for Latino Public Policy Research</i>	1990	26	4
<i>Bridging New Frontiers: Latino Academic, Community Advocates and Legislators Face the 90s</i>	1992	26	5
Massachusetts Commission on Hispanic Affairs <i>Hispanics in Massachusetts: a Progress Report</i>	1985	26	6
Mauricio Gastón Inst. (See also <i>Box 26 folder 19</i>) <i>Latinos in Holyoke</i>	1992	26	7
<i>Latinos in Massachusetts: An Update</i> , Andrés Torres and Lisa Chavez	1998	26	7
<i>Latinos in Massachusetts Series</i>	2002	26	7
<i>U.S. Immigration: Trends, Policies & Impacts for Latinos</i> , Jeffrey S. Passel for the Pew Hispanic Center	ca. 2006	26	7

<i>English Learners in Boston Public Schools in the Aftermath of Policy Change: Enrollment and Educational Outcomes, AY2003-AY2006</i>	2009	26	8
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<i>Latinos in Massachusetts: Selected Areas</i>	2010	26	9
<i>Securing the Dream: Power, Progress, Prosperity</i> Research Book	2010	26	9
San Francisco Aids Foundation <i>The Works: Drugs, Sex & Aids</i>	1987	26	10
South City Congress/Holyoke Planning Board <i>A Future for South City</i> prepared by MIT & Harvard	ca. 1970	26	11-12
Springfield Institution for Savings <i>Forecast and Report on Housing Demand/Need 1975-1985 Springfield and Ten Surrounding Towns</i>	1977	26	13-15
Sullivan School <i>Holyoke's Biggest Fans</i>	2000	26	16
U.S. Coalition of Hispanic Health and Human Services <i>Dile que no/Say No</i>	1990	26	17
Western Mass. Hispanic Health Council <i>Natural Support Systems: A Source of Strength in Hispanic Communities</i>	1980	26	18
<i>Health Issues and Concerns of Hispanics: Preliminary Findings</i>	1985	26	18
<i>Hispanic Health Concerns in Western Massachusetts</i>	1986	26	18

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Census data analysis			
Diachronic & misc. data analysis	1960-2007	26	19
1970 Census data analysis	1970	26	20
1975 State census data analysis	1975-1979	26	20
1980 Census data & community narrative	1980-1983	26	20
1985 State census taker training guide	1985	27	1
1990 Census data & community profile	1990-1993	27	2
2000 Census data & analysis (<i>See also Map case 3 Drawer 5</i>)	2000	27	3
2010 Census taker training guide & maps	2010	27	4
Demographics			
Health indicators	1969-2006	27	5
Teen birth rates	1996-2007	27	6
Work force data	1990-2007	27	7

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Syllabi	1994-2003	27	10
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Arts, culture & community organizations			
Business development			
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Civil rights & minorities			
Community development & related issues			
Crime, violence & police dept.			

Data, census & statistics

Education & school-related issues

	Date	Box	Folder
Elections, politics & campaigns			
Employment, jobs & economy			
Energy, alternative energy & plants			
Holyoke history			
Housing issues			
Latino community			
Law & legislation			
Neighborhoods, districts & streets			
Nueva Esperanza			
Parks & recreation			
People			
Physical & mental health issues			
Poverty			
Protests, marches & demonstrations			
Transportation issues			
Unidos por Holyoke			

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SERIES 5. MEDIA AND ARTIFACTS (8 boxes; 6.5 linear ft.)	1969-2012		

Subseries A. Audio/visual	2003-2007		
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Interview with Carlos Vega on Youthbuild	2007	27	20
Gladys Lebrón-Martínez Campaign document floppy disk	2003	27	20

Subseries B. Memorabilia and realia	1969-2010		
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Buttons	1969-2010	38	
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3 Kings Performance, Skinner Building	1992	41	1
Arco Iris banner project	2002	41	2
Arco Iris public meeting on environmental issues	[n.d.]	41	3
Arco Iris showcase	1996	41	4
Roberto Clemente's park sprinkler	2001-2002	41	5
Ruth Cruz portraits	1993	27	12
Holyoke Community Partnership Chestnut St. Clean up	1993	41	6
Holyoke Community Partnership Hamilton/Carlos Vega Park Clean up	[n.d.]	41	7
Holyoke Community Partnership conference for Developmental Dollars	[n.d.]	41	8
Holyoke Community Partnership events	1994	41	9
Holyoke Community Partnership national training in Va.	[n.d.]	41	10
Holyoke Community Partnership public meeting	ca. 1992	41	11
Holyoke Community Partnership Violence Prevention Week	1995-1996	41	12-13
Holyoke functions & festivals	[n.d.]	41	14
Holyoke streets & people	[n.d.]	41	15
	[n.d.]	27	14

Main Street marketplace block party	1999	41	16
Master Community Action Plan meeting	[n.d.]	41	17
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Mercado Clean-up weekend	1998	41	18
Mercado events	2005	41	19
Mercado visit to Hartford	2000	41	20
Morgan School Thanksgiving Dinner	2002	41	21
Negatives, varied	[n.d.]	27	15
Nueva Esperanza annual meeting	2002	41	22
Nueva Esperanza staff events	ca. 1988	41	23
Nueva Esperanza staff picnic	2000	41	24
Nueva Fiesta at Open Square	2002	41	25
Parks survey			
Avory Field	1992	41	26
Big Pool Park, So. Holyoke	1992	41	27
Center St. Park	1992	41	28
Pulaski Park & Lyman Pool	1992	41	29
So. Chestnut St. Park, Churchill	1992	41	30
Valley Arena Park	1992	41	31
Revitalization projects			
13 & 15 Hamilton St.	[n.d.]	41	32
Walnut Row construction	[ca. 1986]	41	33
South Holyoke Development Corp.	ca. 1977	41	34
	[n.d.]	27	16
United Citizens Action League fire protest at City Hall	[n.d.]	41	35-36
Urban Ministry	1974-1977	27	17
Vacant housing survey	1995	41	37
Voces de Esperanza opening ceremony	1998	41	38
Youthbuild	[n.d.]	41	39
		27	19
Carlos Vega portraits	[n.d.]	27	18

Subseries D. Posters

1990-2011

Casa Latina	[n.d.]	3	4
Census Advisory Council on Hispanic Population	1990, 2000	3	4
Children's Museum of Holyoke: Three Kings, Circus Smirkus	[n.d.]	3	4
Celebrate Holyoke (Holyoke Cultural Council)	1990-2001	3	4
Dark Souls Collective: Voices for the Voiceless	2000-2001	3	4
Día de la Familia Hispana Festival	1990-2011	3	4
Gándara Health Center	[n.d.]	3	4
Hohos Gallery Collective Exposition	1991	3	4
Holyoke Arts Walk	1999-2000	3	4
Holyoke Community College: African American History & MLK, Jr.	1993-1996	3	4
Holyoke Public Schools	[n.d.]	3	4
Holyoke Project	1990	3	4
Holyoke Youth Alliance	[n.d.]	3	4
Mount Holyoke College: Puerto Rico Quincentennial; Latina Writer's Encuentro	1994	3	4
National Historic Trust for Preservation: Preservation Week	1981	3	5
Nueva Esperanza: Arco Iris, Youthbuild, Holyoke Community Partnership	1993; [n.d.]	3	5

New Visions For Historic Cities: Bridging Divides, Building Futures	2002	3	5
New World Theater: La casa de Rigoberta; Tales from the Flats	1995; 2004	3	5
Northampton Arts Council: Four Sundays in February	2001	3	5
PAWSS lecture series	[n.d.]	3	5
Puertas Abiertas Conference, Heritage State Park	1991	3	5
Springfield Museum exhibits	1990	3	5
United Way of Holyoke	1983-1985	3	5
University of Massachusetts Amherst: concerts & exhibits	2004	3	5
Wistariahurst Museum: Carlos Vega Collection opening posters	2011	3	5
Misc. public announcements	ca. 1990	3	5

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Subjects

- Holyoke (Mass.) -- Social conditions
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- Holyoke (Mass.) -- History
- Community activists -- Massachusetts -- Holyoke
- Social action -- Massachusetts -- Holyoke
- Puerto Rican newspapers
- City planning -- Massachusetts -- Holyoke

Appendices

- I. Professional affiliations
- II. Organizational acronyms
- III. Index of correspondents
- IV. Index of collaborative programs

I. Professional affiliations

YEAR	ORGANIZATION	TITLE
1968	Baptist Youth Fellowship	Chairperson
1969	Hike for Holyoke	Publicity Chairman
	Holyoke Community College	Student Senator
	Holyoke Community College Paper	Assistant Editor
1970	Holyoke Community College	Student Senate President
	Urban Ministry	Board member
	Legal Service	Board Member
1971	VISTA Welfare Education Services	Coordinator
1972	Street School	Board member, Journalism teacher
	Ahora (UMass Student Organization)	Volunteer
	Council for Children	Board member
1974	South City Tutorial Center	Board member
	Hike for Holyoke	Executive board member
	Tri-City Youth Program	Summer Employment Counselor
	Council for Children	Board member

1975	South City Advisory Committee	Chairperson
	Hard Times Organizing Committee	Volunteer
	Unidos Day Care	Board member
	Committee for Services to Bilingual Families	Volunteer
1976	Unidos After School Program	Director
	Council for Children	Chairperson
	Welfare Advisory Board	Volunteer
1977	Massachusetts Fair Share	Community Organizer
1978	Urban Ministry	President of the Board of Directors
1980	Holyoke Street School	Shop instructor
	South Holyoke Development Corporation	Assistant Director
	United Citizens Action League	Board Member
	Urban Ministry	President of the Board of Directors
1981	Valley Opportunity Council	Board member
1982	Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination	Volunteer
	Dept. of Social Services	Social Worker; Technician
	Holyoke Public History Project	Treasurer
	Nueva Esperanza	Founder
1983	Members Minority Action Committee	Member
1984	National PR/Hispanic Voter Participation Project	Coordinator
	Democratic State Convention	Delegate
1985	Transcript-Telegram	Columnist (July 9, Oct 22, 1985 & Feb 4. 1986)
1987	Dept. of Social Services	Program Development Specialist
	Dept. of Education	Regional Educational Council Member
1988	Western Mass. Advisory Council on Hispanic Affairs	Co-chairperson, Youth Committee member
1989	Dept. of Social Services	Program Development Specialist
1990	Dropout Advisory Task Force	Member
	United Way of Holyoke	Board of Directors
1991	Dept. of Social Services	Social Worker
	Holyoke Community Partnership	Director
1993	Ruth Cruz for Ward 2	Campaign Manager
	Holyoke Community Partnership	Director
1996	Nueva Esperanza	Interim Executive Director
1997	Nueva Esperanza	Executive Director
1999	Jose Correa for Council at Large	Campaign Committee Member
	Nuestras Raíces	Executive Director
	Holyoke History Project	Director
	Tobacco Control Advisory Committee	Member
2001	Cambios Associates	Founding member
2007	Voces de Esperanza	Treasurer

II. Organizational acronyms

CEDE: Center for Education During Pregnancy
CHAIN: Coalition of Holyoke Action in Neighborhood
CLUH: Ciudadanos Latinos Unidos por Holyoke
COPC: Community Outreach Partnerships Centers Program
CQE: Citizens for a Quality Environment
CRUSH: Citizens for the Revitalization and Urban Success of Holyoke

CSSP: Coalition of Spanish-Speaking Providers
 CTC: Communities That Care
 ENLACE: Engaging Latino Communities for Education
 EOHS: Executive Office of Health and Human Services
 HERCO: Holyoke Energy Recovery Co.
 HIP: Hispanics in Philanthropy
 HOPE: Holyoke Organizing to Protect the Environment
 HPHP: Holyoke Public History Project
 HPN: Holyoke Planners Network
 HRDI: Holyoke Resource Development Initiative
 HUD: Housing and Urban Development
 LPVPG: Lower Pioneer Valley Prevention Group
 MACDC: Massachusetts Association of Community Development Corporations
 MCAP: Master Community Action Plan
 MFHPP: Massachusetts Foundation of the Humanities and Public Policy
 PAC: Parent Advisory Council
 POWER: People Organizing for Work, Education and Respect
 PVPC: Pioneer Valley Complete Count Committee
 SHDC: South Holyoke Development Corporation
 UCAL: United Citizens Action League/Liga de Ciudadanos Unidos en Acción
 WMLS: Western Massachusetts Legal Services

III. List of correspondents (non-exhaustive)

	Year
American Friends Service Committee	1986
American Red Cross	1999
Bilingual Collegiate Program	1982
Birks, Mary Z.	1982
Blessed Sacrament Rectory	1982
Celebrate Holyoke Festival Committee	1982
Center for Education During Pregnancy	1990
Children's Defense Fund	1973-1974
Citizen Involvement Training Project	1982
Comité de la semana puertorriqueña	1990
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico	2004
Community Foundation	1992
Crossroads Community Growth Center	1982
Echevarría, Wil	1989
Fletcher, Kathy	1992
Gorski, Christopher	1990
Hispanic Institute	1984-1985; n.d.
Holyoke Community College	1982-1989; 2004
Holyoke Girls' Club	1983
Holyoke Office of the Mayor	1980-1986
Holyoke Public Schools	1985-1990; 1998
Human Service Forum	2005
Lambda Upsilon Lambda, La Unidad Latina	2006
League of Women Voters	1973
Mass. (State) Commission Against Discrimination	1983
Mass. (State) Dept. of Education	1987
Mass. (State) Dept. of Public Welfare	1976
Mass. (State) Dept of Revenue	1984

Mass. (State) Dept. of Social Services	1982, 1989-90
Adolescent Family Life Program/Brightside for Families & Children	1987
Mass. (State) Division of Employment Security	1980
Mass. (State) Executive Dept.	1984
Mittineague Congregational Church	1990
Mount Holyoke College	1982; 2006
Mount Tom Institute for Human Services	1982
National School Boards Association	1991
New England Monthly	1985
Partrida, Margaret	1980
Prince, Gregory S.	2001
Scott, Roy	1990
Smith College	1982
South Holyoke Development Corporation	1980-1981
Transcript-Telegram	1984-1986
United States Congress. Senate	1989
United States Dept. of Housing and Urban Development	1985
United States Dept. of Justice	1988
United Way	1989
University of Massachusetts Amherst	1982-1984; 1994
Valley Opportunity Council	1990
WGBY	1981
Witkop, Eileen	1984
Misc.	1980-1992

IV. Select index of Collaborative Projects (*indicates location)

Avanza!
*Holyoke Community College
*Holyoke Planning Network
Five Colleges
W. K. Kellogg Foundation
Enlace de Familias
Bridge to the Future Club
*Latino Scholarship Fund
College-Community Partnership Program
Mount Holyoke College
Holyoke Youth Alliance
Dollars for Scholars
Communities that Care
*Holyoke Youth Task Force
United Way of Pioneer Valley
Holyoke School Committee
Community Campus Partnership Project
*Third Sector New England Capacity Building Fund
Enlace de Familias
Nueva Esperanza
Community Education Project
Amherst College
Hampshire College
UMass Extension
Community Health Education
*University of Massachusetts

Springfield Health Dept.
Holyoke Latino Community Coalition
Mass. Prevention Center in Northampton

Community Service Learning program

*University of Massachusetts
Hampshire County United Way
Nueva Esperanza
American Red Cross
Office of Community Service Learning

Holyoke Listening Session

*Conferences (Box 2 Folder 23)
City of Holyoke
Environmental Protection Agency
Holyoke Children's Museum
Nuestras Raíces
Nueva Esperanza

*Holyoke Public History Project

Mass. Foundation for Humanities and Public Policy
UMass Amherst

Looking at Solutions

*Conferences (Box 2 Folder 23)
Ciudadanos latinos unidos por Holyoke
Holyoke Community College

Managing Change

*Conferences (Box 2 Folder 24)
Springfield Downtown Higher Ed Program
UMass Amherst Nonprofit Center

*South Holyoke Revitalization Coordinating Committee

City of Holyoke
Food & Fitness Council
HAP, Inc.
Holyoke Unites
Holyoke Organizing to Protect the Environment (HOPE)
Nueva Esperanza
Nuestras Raíces
Pioneer Valley Environmental Health Network
UMass Amherst/Five College COPC

State Leaders Briefing

*Conferences (Box 2 Folder 25)
Education Leaders Group
Mass Insight Education
Affiliated Chambers of Commerce of Greater Springfield

Voces de Esperanza

*Nueva Esperanza (Box 15 Folder 14-Box 16 Folder 9)
Hispanics in Philanthropy (HIP)
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
Housing & Urban Development (HUD)
Mass. Housing Investment Corporation (MHIC)