



The New York Public Library
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Guide to the

Fordham Library Center records

1923-1991

Summary

Creator: New York Public Library. Fordham Library Center.

Title: Fordham Library Center records

Date: 1923-1991

Size: 4 linear feet (8 boxes)

Source: Transferred from Fordham Library Center.

Abstract: The Fordham Library Center of The New York Public Library opened in 1923. Because of the need for expanded reference services for the borough, the Bronx Reference Center was added to the branch in 1931. By the 1950s the library had become overcrowded due to population growth in the area and the success of the Bronx Reference Center. The original building was renovated, and the new and expanded Fordham reopened in 1956. Today, the Fordham Library Center is the largest public library in the Bronx, with extensive collections of print and non-print materials for adults, young adults, and children. Reports, administrative records and publicity material documenting the operations of the Fordham Library Center of The New York Public Library.

Conditions Governing Access:

Boxes 4, 5, 6 closed to research.

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Creator History

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Scope and Content Note

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Key Terms

Names

New York Public Library. Fordham Library Center.

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