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Accession # *82 M 82

Location 19-C-3/4

Title MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE FOR THE RELIEF OF HOME OWNERS. Records

Approximate inclusive dates 1934-1938

Date of receipt prior to 1961

Received from

Volume on arrival

Number of boxes (after reboxing) 6 RC

Condition Folders are crumbling; copies of outgoing correspondence are fragile

Restrictions Case files may not be cited individually for 75 years.

Description The Municipal Committee for the Relief of Homeowners was a voluntary group originally appointed in 1934 by the President of the N.Y.C. Board of Aldermen and later assisted by the U.S. Works Progress Administration. Its purpose was to provide advice to homeowners who faced loss of their homes because of an inability to pay their mortgages or property taxes. At times the Committee attempted to negotiate settlements between the homeowner and the mortgagor.

The records consist of approximately 400 case files and 17,000 file cards. The case files originated in the Committee's Manhattan office (although the cases are not limited to that borough), and they contain applications, memos, and correspondence on each case. These case files are arranged in reference number order (#14-3383). The bulk of the file cards consist of those kept by the central office (covering all five boroughs) and those handled by the Manhattan office. Neither set is complete. It appears that a card containing basic information was made out for each individual who sought the Committee's assistance. The cards are arranged in several series, the significance of which are not clear.

Special Formats Photographs Maps Audio Tapes Films Graphics
 Artifacts Machine-readable records
 Other (list) _____

Temporary catalog card added entries Housing--New York (City); Mortgages; New York City--Municipal Committee for the ...; United States. Works Progress Administration; 1926-1950.

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MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE FOR THE RELIEF OF HOME OWNERS.
RecordsContainer ListBox

Case Files

1 #14-2598
2 #2600-2855
3 #2856-3383

File Cards

4 ---top layer: Office Series, B-Goldsmith
---bottom layer: Office Series, Goldstein-R
5 ---top layer: Office Series, B-Goldsmith
---bottom layer: Office Series, Goldstein-R
6 ---top layer: 1937 Cards, A-Z
Mn (without numbers) Misc., A-K
Mn (without numbers) Series, U-Z
---Bottom layer: Mn (without numbers) Series, An-T