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Summary

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Abstract: The records document the pioneering efforts of a non-profit organization in New York City founded by people living with AIDS for the purpose of developing programs of caring and support for people with AIDS (PWAs) and for combating the atmosphere of fear, ignorance, and hostility associated with the disease. The founders maintained that people living with AIDS could lead productive and self-fulfilling lives when they practiced a philosophy of self-empowerment and self-reliance.

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Creator history

The People with AIDS Coalition (PWAC), a non-profit organization incorporated in New York State, was founded in New York City in 1985 by nine individuals, all of whom had contracted AIDS. They hoped to combat the atmosphere of ignorance, fear, and hostility that had accompanied the development of the disease from its onset. They adopted the acronyms PWA for People with AIDS and PWARC for People with AIDS Related Complex to replace what they regarded as pejorative stereotypes commonly employed by the mass media: victims, sufferers, and patients.

The founders were inspired by the Denver Principles, a manifesto adopted in 1983 by PWAs and PWARCs at the National Lesbian and Gay Health Conference held in Denver. The Denver Principles proclaimed the need for self-empowerment and self-reliance by PWAs as well as the necessity of their taking an active role in the formulation of decisions affecting their lives. By taking a positive and constructive approach to the personal and social problems created by AIDS, the founders hoped to shift the emphasis from dying to living with AIDS in a dignified, purposeful, and self-fulfilling way. Their motto became "Fighting for Our Lives."

Starting on a modest budget, PWAC depended initially on unsolicited contributions and on the compassion and goodwill of community organizations. With the help of Paul Moore, Episcopal Bishop of New York, PWAC established its first headquarters in a townhouse owned by St. John's in the Village at 222 West 11th Street in Greenwich Village. There it created a congenial space called the Living Room where PWAs could meet one another, socialize, exchange information, and receive the comfort and support of their peers. Staffed by volunteers, the Living Room also offered free meals and a resource library.

During the first five years under its successive executive directors, Michael Hirsch, Paul Van Souder, and William S. Case, other important programs were undertaken. The Community Research Initiative (CRI) began as a sponsored project in 1986/1987; it offered, through a network of medical doctors and patients who undertook their own drug studies and experimentation, an alternative to university-based research thereby hastening the availability of new drugs and therapies for the treatment of AIDS. In 1987, CRI became incorporated as an independent organization. Then, in March of 1987, the People with AIDS Health Group, a not-for-profit buyer's club, was set up by PWAC to provide easier access to drugs and other therapeutic substances difficult to obtain. During this period PWAC also established Hotline, a national telephone helpline staffed by volunteer PWAs who disseminated up-to-date information regarding AIDS; a speaker's bureau, which sponsored public lectures on AIDS; and *Newsline*, a monthly newsletter written by and for PWAs. A Spanish language version, *SIDAhora*, was added in the fall of 1989. In 1987 and 1988, PWAC also published *Surviving and Thriving with AIDS*, edited by co-founder Michael Callen, a two-volume work that received wide distribution.

In September of 1988, PWAC signed a lease that enabled it to occupy more spacious headquarters in a building at 31 West 31st Street. With only a staff of six in 1988, and with funding dependent almost wholly on private donations, PWAC in the following years under the leadership of William S. Case and his successor, Christopher Babick, grew substantially in staff size, organizational complexity, and financial strength. The organization hired a director of development to oversee the raising of funds from private donors, foundations, and governmental agencies; a coordinator of volunteers to recruit and manage the ever-growing number of volunteer workers; and an editorial director to supervise the production of PWAC's newsletters. While receipts from unsolicited contributions continued to play a large role, large grants were also obtained from the AIDS Institute of

the New York State Department of Health and from the New York City Department of Health.

During the almost eight years of its corporate existence PWAC became the largest self-help organization of people living with AIDS/HIV in America and served as a leader in the PWA self-empowerment movement. As a multi-cultural, multi-ethnic organization composed largely of volunteers under the leadership of a dynamic and dedicated executive staff, it served as a model for many other groups across the country who sought to implement its philosophy of living with AIDS in a spirit of dignity and self-fulfillment.

In early 1993, PWAC suffered a financial crisis brought on by a sharp decline in contributions coupled with an inordinately high rental overhead for its headquarters. With little prospect of achieving a restoration of its funding from contributions, at least in the short term, and unable to reach an agreement with the landlord for a reduction of its rental overhead, PWAC's board of directors voted on June 9th to dissolve the corporation.

Another organization, the People with AIDS Coalition of New York (PWAC/NY), was subsequently founded for the purpose of carrying on the mission of the original People with AIDS Coalition, which, in June 1999, was assumed by Body Positive Incorporated.

Scope and content note

The records consist of correspondence and papers of the executive directors and departmental officers relating to the establishment of programs to aid in coping with the personal and social problems caused by the spread of AIDS in the New York City metropolitan area. The records reflect the founders' philosophy which emphasized the need for self-empowerment and self-reliance on the part of people living with AIDS.

Included are administrative files of the following departments: development department, which raised funds from private and institutional sources; the publication department, which published a monthly newsletter, *Newsline*, and a Spanish language edition, *xxSIDAhoraxx*; the volunteer department, which conducted Hotline, a national telephone service, and a speakers bureau. Additional materials include board of directors' meeting minutes, and sound and video recordings.

In order to protect the privacy of individuals, some materials have been restricted for a period of twenty-five years, until the year 2023. The bulk of the restricted material consists of correspondence and personal narratives from people requesting anonymity.

Arrangement

The People with AIDS Coalition records are organized into the following series:

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Key terms

Subjects

AIDS (Disease) -- Information services
AIDS (Disease) -- Patients -- Services for
Self-help groups -- New York (State) -- New York

Names

People with AIDS Coalition

Special formats

Banners
Photographs
Posters
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Video recordings

Container list

Series I. Executive Director's files (23 boxes)

This series is arranged alphabetically by name, subject, or topic and reflects the work of the organization's executive directors: Michael Hirsch, Paul Van Souder, William S. Case, and Christopher Babick.

The files document the intent of the founders to implement their philosophy of self-help, self-reliance, and self-empowerment in coping with the personal and social problems caused by the spread of AIDS in New York City; and their efforts at mobilizing public and private support for the funding of programs to aid in combating the disease. Included are extensive records relating to the creation of the AIDS Consortium (New York AIDS Consortium), and records relating to the organization's collaboration with various city and state agencies, including the AIDS Institute of the New York State Department of Health. The file titles reflect those originally present in the records, with a few exceptions that were amended for the sake of clarity.

- b.1 f.1 ACT UP (AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power), 1987-1991, n.d.
- b.1 f.2 Advisory board, undated
- b.1 f.3 AIDS Action Council, 1986-1993
- b.1 f.4-5 AIDS budget working group, 1987
- b.1 f.6-9 AIDS consortium, 1988-1990 Jul (AIDS Service Delivery Consortium/NYC)
- b.2 f.1-2 AIDS consortium, 1990 Aug-1992, n.d.
- b.2 f.3 AIDS forum, 1987 Jun-1988 Nov (Agendas and meeting minutes)
- b.2 f.4 AIDS mastery and visualization workshop, 1986-1987, n.d.
- b.2 f.5 AIDS Medical Resource Center, 1988
- b.2 f.6-7 AIDS Shelter Project report, 1985-1986
- b.2 f.8 AIDS testimony, 1985, 1988
- b.2 f.9 AIDS Treatment Resources, Inc., 1991 (Conference information and notes)
- b.2 f.10 AL 721 information, 1987
Draft and final letter from the PWA Coalition's Michael Callen regarding the delivery of lipids through the PWA Health Group.
- b.2 f.11 American Association for World Health, 1989-1990
- b.2 f.12 American Civil Liberties Union, 1987-1988
- b.2 f.13 Appeals, 1988-1989, n.d. (Drafts of PWA Coalition direct mail.)
- b.2 f.14 ARC [AIDS Related Complex] Committee, 1986-1987
- b.2 f.15 Ark and Allen, Inc., 1992-1993 (Correspondence)
Non-profit organization renting space from PWA Coalition.
- b.3 f.1 Association of Lesbian and Gay Executive Directors, 1989-1990
- b.3 f.2 AT&T, 1992
The AT&T Foundation donated \$10,000 to the PWA Coalition's Minority Affairs program.
- b.3 f.3 Axelrod, David, MD, 1989
- b.3 f.4 Backroom bars, 1990-1992
- b.3 f.5 Balloon release, 1989
Heritage of Pride's Great Release '89 benefited the People with AIDS Coalition.
- b.3 f.6 Bequests, 1987-1992
- b.3 f.7 Bias-crime prevention package, 1991-1992

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- b.3 f.8 Bill of rights, 1990
New Yorkers' Bill of Rights for HIV Antibody Testing
- b.3 f.9-10 Board of Directors and staff lists, 1986-1993, n.d.
- b.3 f.11 Broadway Cares, 1989, 1993
- b.3 f.12 Budget workshop, 1992
- b.3 f.13 Burroughs Wellcome Company, 1990-1993 (Correspondence and notes)
- b.3 f.14-15 By-laws and certificate of incorporation, 1986-1992
- b.3 f.16 Callen, Michael, 1983, 1986-1987, n.d. (Book review, correspondence, résumé, speeches)
- b.4 f.1-2 Case, William S., 1988-1989, n.d.
- b.4 f.3 Centers for Disease Control, 1989
- b.4 f.4 Citizens Commission on AIDS, 1988-1990
- b.4 f.5 City-as-school, 1992
- b.4 f.6 Clinton, Bill, 1992
Committee for AIDS Funding
- b.4 f.7-10 1987-1988
See also Box 1 Fol 4-5, AIDS budget working group.
- b.5 f.1-6 1989-1990 Feb
- b.6 f.1-4 1990 Mar-1991
- b.6 f.5 Draft budget, 1989-1990
- b.6 f.6 Miscellaneous, 1988-1989, n.d.
- b.6 f.7 Community board #2, 1989, n.d.
- b.6 f.8 Community Health Project, 1991
Community Research Initiative
- b.7 f.1-3 1986-1993
- b.7 f.2 undated
- b.7 f.5 Condom: Rubber Up campaign, 1989
- b.7 f.6 Conferences, 1987-1991
- b.7 f.7 Confidentiality, 1988-1991
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- b.7 f.8-10 1986-1989 Aug
- b.8 f.1-5 1989 Sep-1993
- b.8 f.6 Cross Culture workshop, 1990 Sep-Oct
- b.8 f.7 Denver Principles, 1991, n.d.
Development
- b.8 f.8-9 1989-1991
- b.9 f.1-2 1992-1993
- b.9 f.3-4 Miscellaneous, circa 1988, 1991-1993, n.d.

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- b.9 f.5 DIFFA (Design Industries Foundation for AIDS), 1988-1992
- b.9 f.6 Dinkins, David, 1989-1990
- b.9 f.7 Employees, 1987-1989, n.d.
- b.9 f.8 Employment applications, 1987-1992
Includes job descriptions and advertisements for the following positions: bookkeeper, comptroller, deputy director, director of development, and secretary.
Endorsements
- b.9 f.9-10 By PWAC, 1988-1992
- b.10 f.1 Of PWAC, 1988-1989
- b.10 f.2 Policy, undated
- b.10 f.3 Executive directors support group, 1988-1993
See also Box 3 Fol 1, Association of Lesbian and Gay Executive Directors.
- b.10 f.4-5 Fax transmissions, 1990-1992, n.d.
- b.10 f.6 Five minutes of silence, 1989
- b.10 f.7 Finance committee, 1989-1991
- b.10 f.8 Food and Drug Administration, 1988-1990
- b.10 f.9 Forms, undated
- b.10 f.10 Forums, 1987-1989 (Public forums)
- b.10 f.11 Fundacion SIDA, 1990-1991
- b.10 f.12 Fundraising, 1988-1990
- b.10 f.13 Gay/lesbian health conference, 1988 Jul
The Second International Lesbian and Gay Health Conference and AIDS Forum, Boston, MA
- b.10 f.14 Gay Mens Collective Association, 1992 Jul
Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC)
- b.10 f.15-16 1985-1989
- b.11 f.1 1990-1993, n.d.
- b.11 f.2 Goals for PWAC, circa 1986-1988, n.d.
- b.11 f.3 Golden Phoenix Healing and Light Center, 1989
- b.11 f.4-6 Grants, 1988-1992, n.d.
- b.11 f.7 Health Research, Inc., 1987-1990
- b.11 f.8 Health Systems Agency of New York City, 1990
Heart and Soul
- b.11 f.9 1991-1992
- b.12 f.1 1993
- b.12 f.2 Miscellaneous, 1990-1993
- b.12 f.3 Heritage of Pride, 1986-1990
- b.12 f.4 Hetrick-Martin Institute, circa 1982, 1987-1989
- b.12 f.5 Hirsch, Michael, 1986-1988

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- b.12 f.6 History of PWAC, 1986-1993, n.d.
- b.12 f.7 HIV and immigration, 1990-1992
- b.12 f.8 HIV testing, 1987-1990
- b.12 f.9 Hotline, 1992-1993, n.d.
Housing for the homeless
- b.12 f.10 1987-1988
- b.13 f.1-4 1989-1991
- b.13 f.5 Miscellaneous, undated
- b.13 f.6 Legal counsel, 1988-1990 (Herman and Salem)
- b.13 f.7 Legislators: Letters from/to, 1988-1993
Lists
- b.13 f.8 Executive directors of gay organizations, undated
- b.13 f.9 Miscellaneous, 1987-1993, n.d.
- b.13 f.10 Living Room, 1986-1993
- b.14 f.1-2 Living Well Commission, 1991-1993
- b.14 f.3 Living with AIDS Fund, 1988
- b.14 f.4 Lower Manhattan AIDS Task Force {1989}
- b.14 f.5 Medical assistance program [of PWAC], 1988-1989
- b.14 f.6 Names Project, 1988
- b.14 f.7-8 National Association of People with AIDS, 1987-1993
- b.14 f.9 National Executive Services Corps, 1992 Dec 18
- b.14 f.10 Needle exchange program, 1990
- b.14 f.11 New York AIDS Action, 1985-1986
- b.14 f.12 New York AIDS Coalition, 1988-1992
- b.14 f.13 New York AIDS Task Force, 1988
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- b.14 f.14 Board of Education, 1989-1993
- b.15 f.1 Commission on Human Rights, 1988-1992
- b.15 f.2 Commissioner of Health, 1988-1990
- b.15 f.3-4 Department of Health, 1988-1991
Human Resources Administration, Division of AIDS Services
- b.15 f.5-8 1987-1993
- b.15 f.9 undated
- b.16 f.1 Requests for proposals, 1988-1989
- b.16 f.2 Miscellaneous, 1988-1989, n.d.
- b.16 f.3 New York Foundation, 1989-1991

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- b.16 f.4 New York Public Library, 1988-1993
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- b.16 f.5 AIDS budget, 1983-1991
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- b.16 f.6-9 1986-1988 Nov
- b.17 f.1-7 1988 Dec-1991 Sep
- b.18 f.1-4 1991 Oct-1993 Jul
- b.18 f.5 Miscellaneous, 1987-1991, n.d.
- b.18 f.6 Five year plan, 1988-1990
- b.18 f.7 Health commissioner, 1991 May
- b.18 f.8 Legislature, 1987-1988
- b.18 f.9 New York University mental health project, 1988-1991
- b.18 f.10 *Newsday*, 1986-1992 (Press clippings)
- b.18 f.11 *Newsline*, 1988-1990 (Correspondence and notes)
This folder consists of materials regarding the distribution, editing, legal aspects, and publication costs of *Newsline*.
- b.19 f.1 Northeast Hispanic AIDS Community Services survey, 1989 Apr
- b.19 f.2 Office manager, 1989-1993 (Correspondence, memoranda, lists, and notes)
Most of the material in this folder was produced by PWAC's office manager in 1989, Nicolas 'li Bassi. The folder also contains documents relating to office materials during the liquidation process in 1993.
- b.19 f.3 Panos Institute, 1989 Oct-Nov
This folder consists of correspondence between William Case, executive director of PWAC, and Ernesto de la Vega, editor of *SIDAhora* and the director of the AIDS in the Americas Initiative at the Panos Institute.
- b.19 f.4 Paul Rapoport Foundation, Inc., 1992 Jun 15
- b.19 f.5 PWA Coalition of Long Island, 1988-1989
- b.19 f.6 PWA Health Group
- b.19 f.7-8 Personnel committee, 1991-1993, n.d. (Job descriptions, memos, and minutes)
- b.19 f.9-10 Personnel policy, 1989-1990
- b.19 f.11 Photographs and negatives, 1991-1993, n.d.
- b.19 f.12 Policy committee, 1988-1990
- b.20 f.1 Press releases, 1986-1992
- b.20 f.2 Pride day, 1989-1992
- b.20 f.3 Prisoners with AIDS, 1988-1991
- b.20 f.4 Program committee, 1991-1993
- b.20 f.5 Projects, 1987-1989, n.d.
This folder includes information on PWAC projects, including projects regarding children, the homeless, and women.

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- b.20 f.6 Public service announcements, 1990-1991 (Scripts)
- b.20 f.7 Public testimony, 1991-1992
- Publications
 - b.20 f.8 Consultant, 1992
 - b.20 f.9 General, 1991-1993
 - b.20 f.10 *Newsline*, 1991-1993
 - b.20 f.11 *SIDAhora*, 1990-1993
- b.20 f.12 Real estate, 1987
- b.20 f.13 Resources, undated (Resources for treatment options)
- b.21 f.1-3 Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act of 1990, 1991-1993
 - b.21 f.4 Speaking engagements, 1987 (Michael Cantor, Assistant Director)
 - b.21 f.5 Special events, 1988-1989, 1992
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 - b.21 f.6 Goals and objectives, 1991
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 - b.21 f.7-10 1987-1993, n.d.
 - b.21 f.11 Department heads, 1990-1993
 - b.21 f.12 Memos, 1987-1992
 - b.22 f.1 Retreat, 1991-1992
 - b.22 f.2 Schedules, 1991-1992
 - b.22 f.3 Stamp Out AIDS, 1987
 - b.22 f.4 Statement of purpose, 1987, n.d.
 - b.22 f.5 Strategic plan, 1991-1992
 - b.22 f.6 Substance abuse committee, 1991-1993
 - b.22 f.7 Summers, David, 1986 Nov (Eulogy)
David Summers was one of the founders of PWAC.
 - b.22 f.8 Support groups, 1988-1993
 - b.22 f.9 Support letters, 1987 Feb-Jun
Letters written to New York City Mayor Dinkins in support of PWAC receiving funding.
 - b.22 f.10 *Surviving and Thriving with AIDS*, 1987-1991 (Copyright information and order invoices)
 - b.22 f.11 Testing the Limits Collective, 1988, 1991
 - b.22 f.12 Theft file, 1990 Oct
 - b.22 f.13 Town meeting at Riverside Church, 1991 Jul-Aug
 - b.22 f.14 Tuberculosis training, 1992
 - b.22 f.15 Up-coming meetings, 1990-1993
 - b.22 f.16 Upper Room AIDS Ministry, 1988
 - b.22 f.17 WHAM! [Women's Health Action and Mobilization], 1992

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- b.22 f.18 *Wide Time: Surviving AIDS*, 1991-1992
See also Series VII. Sound and video recordings.
- b.22 f.19 Williams, Enoch, 1992
- b.23 f.1 Women and AIDS, 1990-1991
- b.23 f.2 Zachar, Bruce, 1987-1988
- b.23 f.3 Miscellaneous materials, circa 1986-1991, n.d.

Series II. Development department files (17 boxes, 1 oversize folder)

This series is arranged into three subseries: Subseries II.A. Topical files, Subseries II.B. Foundation files, and Subseries II.C. Special event files. Each subseries is arranged alphabetically.

These records reflect the work of the directors of development, Douglas Wingo and Kenneth Maldonado, and their associates who were responsible for fund-raising from private donors, corporations, foundations, and governmental agencies. Included are records reflecting the techniques used in raising funds from private and institutional sources, as well as extensive documentation relative to the planning and presentation of fund-raising dances, receptions, festivities, and other events involving the collaboration of popular vocalists, artists, musicians, and stage performers.

Subseries II.A. Topical files (7 boxes)

- b.23 f.4 Advertisements, 1991-1992, n.d.
- b.23 f.5 American Run for the End of AIDS, 1987
- b.23 f.6 Bell Caffe, 1993
- b.23 f.7 Benefits: AIDS, 1987-1989
- b.23 f.8 Binotti gallery, 1990
- b.23 f.9 Board of Directors, 1991
- b.23 f.10 Bookmark, undated
- b.23 f.11 Brochure, 1990-1992, n.d.
- b.23 f.12-15 Budget FY1990-FY1993, 1989-1993
- b.23 f.16 Building, 1991, n.d.
The building refers to 31 West 26th Street.
- b.23 f.17 Campaign for Life: Major donors, 1991-1992
- b.23 f.18 Celebrities list, 1992 Feb
- b.23 f.19 The Center, 1987-1992, n.d.
- b.23 f.20 Cohen, Michael, 1991-1992 (Correspondence, drafts, and notes)
Development Assistant
- b.24 f.1-4 Correspondence, 1986-1993
Development
 - b.24 f.5 Budget, 1992-1993
 - b.24 f.6 Committee, 1991 Nov 25
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- b.24 f.8-11 Reports, 1988-1992
- Direct mail
- b.24 f.12 Holiday card, 1992
- b.24 f.13 General, 1991-1992
- b.24 f.14 Valentine card, 1993
- b.25 f.1 Donations in kind, 1990-1992
- b.25 f.2 Donors: Potential, 1990-1991
- Employment applications
- b.25 f.3 Development Assistant, 1991-1992
- b.25 f.4 Director of Development, 1989-1992
- b.25 f.5 Film, 1989-1992
- b.25 f.6 Foundation and corporate sponsors, 1989-1991
- b.25 f.7 Gay card/mail pack, 1991
- b.25 f.8 Grant proposal tracking, 1987-1988
- b.25 f.9 Hate mail, 1988-1989
- b.25 f.10 Heritage of Pride, 1991-1992
- b.25 f.11 HIV fact sheet, circa 1990
- b.25 f.12 Hotline program, 1991-1993
- b.25 f.13 *Inside Line*, 1991-1992 (Five issues: 1.1-2.5)
- b.25 f.14 The Jewish Week, 1989 Dec-1990 Jan
- b.25 f.15 Kimmel, Milas, and Peterson, Inc., 1990 (Advertising/public relations firm)
- b.25 f.16 Legislative appropriations, 1992 Jan-Apr
- b.25 f.17 Legislators, 1990-1992, n.d.
- b.25 f.18 Lesbian and gay pride weekend, 1992
- b.25 f.19 Letters of support, 1988-1992
- b.26 f.1 Lists of donors, 1992, n.d.
- b.26 f.2 Mail distribution lists, 1987 Jul 6, n.d.
- b.26 f.3 Major gifts, 1988-1993
- b.26 f.4 Matching gifts, 1990
- b.26 f.5 Mayor's advisory committee on AIDS, 1990
- b.26 f.6 Mayor's office, 1991-1992
- b.26 f.7 Media, 1990-1991
- b.26 f.8 Medicaid payment policy, 1992
- b.26 f.9-13 Memos to staff, 1987-1993
- b.26 f.14 Minority affairs, 1987-1993
- b.26 f.15 Mothers' support group, 1986, 1991-1993, n.d.

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- b.26 f.16 Multitasking Systems of New York, Inc., 1988-1989
- b.27 f.1 Multitasking Systems of New York, Inc., 1988-1989
- b.27 f.2 MVAC [Mayor's Voluntary Action Council] Task Force, 1987 Feb 13
- b.27 f.3 New Boston Group, 1988
New York City
- b.27 f.4 Combined Federal Campaign, 1991-1992
- b.27 f.5-7 HIV Care Services Program, 1991-1993
- b.27 f.8 Human Resources Administration, 1990-1991
New York State
- b.27 f.9-10 Department of Health, AIDS Institute, 1990-1992
- b.28 f.1-2 Department of Health, AIDS Institute, 1990-1992
- b.28 f.3 Office of Charities Registration, 1991 Apr 17
- b.28 f.4 *Newsline*, 1991-1992
- b.28 f.5 Obituaries, 1988-1993
Text and press clippings of obituaries and condolence announcements submitted to newspapers by PWAC.
- b.28 f.6 Office procedures, undated
- b.28 f.7 Office work log, 1990 Jul-Sep
- b.28 f.8 Organizational chart, 1992 May 14
- b.28 f.9 Outside events, 1985, 1988-1991
This folder contains materials relating to fundraising events produced by others outside of the organization to benefit PWAC.
- b.28 f.10 Premo, Crystal: Benefit, 1990 Feb-May
- b.28 f.11 Press list, 1992
- b.28 f.12 Program budgets, circa 1988-1992
- b.28 f.13 Public advocacy workshop, 1992-1993
- b.28 f.14 Public forums, 1981, 1986-1987, n.d.
- b.28 f.15 Public service announcement, undated
- b.28 f.16 Publicity, 1987, n.d.
- b.28 f.17 Reno's Foundation, 1988-1992 (Correspondence, financial records, an invitation, and programs)
This folder contains materials primarily regarding Reno's: A Reunion for AIDS, an event partially benefiting PWAC; money was lost on this event and collection notices are included in the documentation.
See also Series VI. Financial records, Accounts Payable.
- b.28 f.18 Rhode Island Project/AIDS, 1990-1991
- b.29 f.1-4 Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resource Emergency Act, 1991-1993
- b.29 f.5 St. John's in the Village, 1987
- b.29 f.6 *SIDAhora*, 1991-circa 1993

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Subseries II.A. Topical files (cont.)

- b.29 f.7 Sister to Sister project, undated
- b.29 f.8 Spanish speaking support group, 1989
- b.29 f.9 State Employees Federated Appeal, 1992
- b.29 f.10 Strategic planning, 1992 Mar
- b.29 f.11 Street fairs, 1992
- b.29 f.12 United against AIDS, 1992
- United Way
- b.29 f.13-14 New York City, 1986-1992
- b.29 f.15 Southeastern Pennsylvania, 1988-1992
- b.29 f.16 Tri-state, 1989-1992
- b.30 f.1 Vendors, 1992, n.d.
- b.30 f.2 Visually impaired, 1989-1990
- b.30 f.3 We Need a Little Christmas Now!, 1989-1990
A benefit for New Yorkers with AIDS produced by The Church of the Heavenly Rest and The York Theatre Company.
- b.30 f.4 Workshop training, 1989
- b.30 f.5 World AIDS Day, 1991
- b.30 f.6 Miscellaneous materials, 1986-1992, n.d.

Subseries II.B. Foundation files (4 boxes)

The files contained in this subseries consist of appeals to foundations, most notably grant applications, as well as requests for information.

- b.30 f.7 A, 1988-1993
- b.30 f.8 Aetna Foundation, 1989-1991
- b.30 f.9 AIDS memorial in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, 1988-1991
- b.30 f.10 American Express, 1989-1992
- b.30 f.11 AT&T, 1991-1992
- b.30 f.12 B, 1986-1987, 1991-1992
- b.30 f.13 Broadway Cares, 1988-1993
- b.30 f.14 C, 1987-1992
- b.30 f.15 Chase Manhattan Bank, 1989-1992
- b.31 f.1 Chicago Resource Center, 1985-1992
- b.31 f.2 D, 1991
- b.31 f.3 DIFFA [Design Industries Foundation for AIDS], 1986-1992
- b.31 f.4 E-F, 1986-1993
- b.31 f.5 Fashion Cares, 1988
- b.31 f.6 G, 1989-1992
- b.31 f.7 H, 1987-1992

Series II. Development department files (cont.)

Subseries II.B. Foundation files (cont.)

- b.31 f.8 I-L, 1989-1992
- b.31 f.9 M, 1987-1993
- b.31 f.10 Mertz-Gilmore Foundation, 1989-1991
- b.31 f.11 Metropolitan Life Foundation, 1989-1991
- b.32 f.1 N, 1987-1988, 1991-1992
- b.32 f.2 New York City Human Resources Administration, 1990-1992
- b.32 f.3 New York Community Trust, 1986-1991
- b.32 f.4-7 New York Foundation, 1987-1992
- b.32 f.8 New York University, 1988-1992
- b.32 f.9 North Shore Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program, 1992
- b.32 f.10 North Star Fund, 1986-1987
- b.32 f.11 O-P, 1989-1992
- b.33 f.1-2 Paul Rapoport Foundation, 1988-1992
- b.33 f.3 Philip Morris, Inc., 1991-1992
- b.33 f.4 R-T, 1985-1993
- b.33 f.5 Robin Hood Foundation, 1991-1991
- b.33 f.6 Surdna Foundation, 1989
- b.33 f.7 U-Z, 1989-1993
- b.33 f.8 United States Conference of Mayors, 1990-1991

Subseries II.C. Special event files (7 boxes, 1 oversize folder)

- b.33 f.9 A-I, 1988-1992
- Ballroom series
- b.33 f.10 General, 1992
- b.33 f.11 Expenses, 1992
- b.34 f.1 Performers, 1992
- Program
- b.34 f.2 Book, 1992
- b.34 f.3 Advertisements, 1992
- b.34 f.4 Inserts, 1992
- b.34 f.5 Report, 1992-1993
- Cabaret Nights
- b.34 f.6 Fall program, 1992 (Advertisement copy and paid invoices)
- b.34 f.7 General, 1992
- b.34 f.8-9 Publicity, 1992
- Fashion Cares
- b.34 f.10 Designers, 1988

Series II. Development department files (cont.)

Subseries II.C. Special event files (cont.)

Fashion Cares (cont.)

- b.34 f.11-12 General, 1988
- b.35 f.1 General, 1988
- b.35 f.2 Honorary benefit committee, 1988
- b.35 f.3 Mailing lists, [1988]
- b.35 f.4 Publicity, 1988
- b.35 f.5 Raffle prizes, 1988
- b.35 f.6 Underwriters, 1988
- b.35 f.7 General, 1991-1993
- b.35 f.8 Hagner, Jeff, 1988-1992 (Fliers and reviews)

Heart and Soul

- b.35 f.9 Advertisements, 1991-1992
- b.35 f.10 Awardees, 1991-1992
- b.35 f.11 Budget, circa 1992
- b.35 f.12 Car service, 1992
Twenty percent of the car services' profits earned from transportation regarding *Heart and Soul* was donated to PWAC.
- b.35 f.13 Caterers, 1992
- b.35 f.14 Celebrities contacted, 1992
- b.35 f.15 Clergy letter, 1992 Jan 31
- b.35 f.16 Corporate sponsors, 1991 Dec
- b.35 f.17 Entertainment, 1990-1992
- b.36 f.1 Flowers, 1992
- b.36 f.2 Form letters, 1991-1992
- b.36 f.3 Host committee, 1991-1992
- b.36 f.4 Host restaurants, 1991-1992
- b.36 f.5 Invitation, 1992
- b.36 f.6 Living with AIDS awards, 1991-1992
- b.36 f.7 Negative responses
- b.36 f.8 Party, 1992
- b.36 f.9-11 Photographs
- b.36 f.12 Photographers/videographers, 1992
- b.36 f.13 Planning committee
- b.36 f.14 Post mortem (Evaluation report)
- b.36 f.15 Press releases
- b.36 f.16 Printing orders
- Program book
- b.36 f.17 Advertisers

Series II. Development department files (cont.)

Subseries II.C. Special event files (cont.)

Heart and Soul (cont.)

Program book (cont.)

- b.37 f.1 Correspondence
- b.37 f.2 Photographs
- b.37 f.3 Printing bids
- b.37 f.4 Reachout letters
- b.37 f.5 Restaurants
- b.37 f.6 Tuxedos
- b.37 f.7-8 Miscellaneous materials
- Heart and Soul II
- b.37 f.9 Ads
- b.37 f.10 Pledges of support
- Poster
- b.37 f.11 Program book: Business card advertisements
- b.37 f.12 Reception dance
- b.37 f.13 Volunteers
- b.38 f.1-3 Miscellaneous materials
- b.38 f.4 Latino cultural arts event
- b.38 f.5 Leather fundraisers
- b.38 f.6 M-N, 1990-1991
- b.38 f.7 Master sheets, 1992-1993
- b.38 f.8 Miss New York City pageant
- b.38 f.9 O-Z, 1990-1992
- b.39 f.1 Outside benefits: Possibilities
- b.39 f.2 Press list
- b.39 f.3 Rogers and Hart review
- b.39 f.4 Shows
- Theatre of the Heart
- b.39 f.5-6 General
- Poster
- b.39 f.7 Together Alone
- b.39 f.8 Trigere, Pauline: Benefit (Golden Jubilee gala)
- b.39 f.9 Tugel, Scott: Benefit (*Restorations* exhibition)
- b.39 f.10 Miscellaneous materials

Series III. Publication department files (21 boxes)

This series is arranged into two subseries: Subseries III.A. *Newsline* files and Subseries III. B. *SIDAhora* files. In both subseries, newsletters and supporting materials include correspondence from PWAs, people who have lost friends and lovers, health professionals, activists, and support groups; articles and drafts; annotated editorials; and final edited copy. Each subseries is arranged alphabetically.

Subseries III.A. *Newsline* files (18 boxes)

Subseries III.A. *Newsline* files consists of editorial correspondence, as well as newsletters and supporting materials regarding the production of PWAC's monthly newsletter, *Newsline*. The correspondence was mainly written by the editor, Bree Scott-Hartland, and his assistants, Susan Shaw and Mary F. Cotter; it relates to editorial policy and practice, as well as to miscellaneous matters, including discriminatory practices against PWAs in prison. Also included are correspondence and supporting materials relating to submissions rejected for publication, a resource directory, and subscriptions.

Correspondence

- b.40 f.1-12 1988-1992 May
- b.41 f.1-5 1992 Jun-1993 Apr
- b.41 f.6 Outreach, 1992
- b.41 f.7 Prisoners, 1992

Rejections

- b.41 f.8-10 1990
- b.42 f.1-2 1991-1992

Resource directory

- b.42 f.3-5 1990-1991
- b.43 f.1-2 1992
- b.43 f.3 Rejections

Subscriptions

- b.43 f.4-5 1985-1986 Feb
- b.43 f.6 Bulk requests

Newsletters and supporting materials

These files may contain published issues of *Newsline* as well as correspondence, memorandums, and submissions regarding particular issues. The folders are arranged by issue number.

- b.44 f.1 20, 1987 Feb
- b.44 f.2 34-35, 1988 May-Jun
- b.44 f.3 37-39, 1988 Oct-Dec
- b.44 f.4-12 qq40]-[45], 1989 Jan-Jun
- b.45 f.1-3 46-47, 1989 Jul-Sept
- b.45 f.4 49, 1989 Nov

Series III. Publication department files (cont.)

Subseries III.A. *Newsline* files (cont.)

Newsletters and supporting material... (cont.)

- b.45 f.5 Various issues, 1989
- b.45 f.6-9 51-52, 1990 Jan-Feb
- b.46 f.1-5 qq53]-55, 1990 Mar-Jun
- b.46 f.6 qq58?], 1990 Sep
- b.47 f.1-12 60-63, 1990 Nov-1991 Mar
- b.48 f.1-5 64-65, 1991 Apr-May
- b.49 f.1-8 66-67, 1991 Jun-Jul
- b.50 f.1-8 68-70, 1991 Aug-Oct
- b.51 f.1-8 70-72, 1991 Oct-Dec
- b.52 f.1-7 73-75, 1992 Jan-Apr
- b.53 f.1-8 75-77, 1992 Apr-Jun
- b.54 f.1-10 78-80, 1992 Jul-Sep
- b.55 f.1-6 80-82, 1992 Sep-Nov
- b.56 f.1-7 83-86, 1992 Dec-1993 Apr
- b.57 f.1-2 87-88, 1993 May-Jun

Subseries III.B. *SIDAhora* files (3 boxes)

Subseries III.B. *SIDAhora* files consists of articles, correspondence, editorial advisory committee records, newsletters and supporting materials, photographs, and a resource directory. *SIDAhora* was PWAC's quarterly Spanish language newsletter.

- b.58 f.1-2 Articles
- b.58 f.3 Correspondence, 1992-1993
- b.58 f.4 Editorial advisory committee
- Newsletters and supporting materials
- These files may contain published issues of *SIDAhora* as well as correspondence, memorandums, and submissions regarding particular issues. The folders are arranged by issue number.
- b.58 f.5-11 qq1]-4, 1989-1990 Fall
- b.59 f.1-9 5-9, 1990-1992 Winter
- b.60 f.1-8 9-15, 1992 Winter-1993
- b.60 f.9 Photographs
- b.60 f.10 Resource directory

Series IV. Volunteer department files (4 boxes)

This series is arranged into three subseries: Subseries IV. A. Topical files, Subseries IV.B. Hotline files, and Subseries IV.C. Speakers bureau files. Each subseries is arranged alphabetically.

Series IV. Volunteer department files (cont.)

Subseries IV.A. Topical files (3 boxes)

Subseries IV.A. Topical files contains correspondence and administrative records of the volunteer coordinators, John McIlveen and David Mager. Included are monthly reports to the AIDS Institute of the New York State Department of Health and records relating to the Living Room, a facility that offered support and comfort to PWAs.

- b.61 f.1-4 AIDS Institute: Monthly reports, 1989-1992
- b.61 f.5 Application forms (Blank)
- b.61 f.6 Board of Directors and staff lists
- b.62 f.1 Budgets and grants
- b.62 f.2 Demographics
- b.62 f.3 General
- b.62 f.4 Gifts
- b.62 f.5 Health group: Price list, 1992 Jul
- b.62 f.6 Hock, Jack (Theater desk volunteer)
- b.62 f.7 Lesbian and gay pride weekend, 1992
Living Room
- b.62 f.8 General
- b.62 f.9 Promotional fliers
- b.62 f.10 Weekly schedules, 1992-1993
- b.62 f.11-12 Memoranda
- b.62 f.13 Mother's Group
- b.62 f.14 Newsletter
The PWAC Monthly Post was created for the volunteers.
- b.62 f.15 Recruitment
- b.62 f.16 *SIDAhora* and *Newsline* distribution
- b.62 f.17 Summer youth employment program
- b.62 f.18 Thank you letters
- b.63 f.1 Theater tickets
- b.63 f.2 Volunteer lists
- b.63 f.3 Miscellaneous materials

Subseries IV.B. Hotline files (1 box)

Subseries IV.B. Hotline files includes log sheet reports and volunteer surveys. The hotline was staffed by volunteer PWAs.

- b.63 f.4 Information request form (Blank)
- b.63 f.5 Log sheets: Monthly reports, 1990 May-Dec, 1993 May-Aug
- b.63 f.6 Training
- b.63 f.7 Volunteer survey
- b.63 f.8 Miscellaneous materials

Series IV. Volunteer department files (cont.)

Subseries IV.C. Speakers bureau files (2 boxes)

Subseries IV.C. Speakers bureau files includes a log of telephone requests for speakers, evaluations of volunteer speakers, monthly reports, and other administrative records.

- b.63 f.9-11 Evaluations of PWAC speakers
- Log of telephone requests for speakers
- b.63 f.12-13 1988, 1990
- b.64 f.1 1991-1992
- b.64 f.2 Monthly reports, 1990-1992
- b.64 f.3 Meetings
- b.64 f.4 Recommendations
- b.64 f.5 Requests for speakers
- b.64 f.6-7 Speaking engagements
- b.64 f.8 Thank you letters
- b.64 f.9 Training of speakers
- b.64 f.10 Miscellaneous material

Series V. Board of Directors files (4 boxes)

This series is arranged alphabetically and consists of committee files; correspondence and memoranda; meeting minutes; and materials relating to training, policies, and procedures.

- b.68 f.1-2 Executive committee
- b.68 f.3 Executive director: Letters acknowledging appointment, 1987
- b.68 f.4 Finance committee
- b.68 f.5 Manual
- b.68 f.6 Member lists
- b.68 f.7 Memoranda
 - From Christopher Babick, Executive Director
 - Minutes
- b.65 f.1-6 1986-1989
- b.66 f.1-6 1990-1991 Apr
- b.67 f.1-7 1991 May-1993
 - See also Series VIII. Sound and video recordings for a sound recording of the June 25, 1991 meeting.
- b.68 f.8 Personnel committee
- b.68 f.9 Pledge of confidentiality
- b.68 f.10 Policies and procedures
- b.68 f.11 Public policy committee
- b.68 f.12 Real estate committee
- b.68 f.13 Training
- b.68 f.14 Miscellaneous materials

Series VI. Financial records (2 boxes)

This series is arranged alphabetically and consists of auditors' reports, balance sheets, budgets, and other materials.

- b.69 f.1 Accounts payable
- b.69 f.2-3 Auditor's reports, 1988-1993
- b.69 f.4 Balance sheets/income statements, 1987-1989
 Budgets
- b.69 f.5-6 1989-1991
- b.70 f.1-2 1991-1993
- b.70 f.3 Tax exempt status

Series VII. Sound and video recordings (4 audiocassettes, 4 reel-to-reels, 17 videocassettes)

This series is arranged alphabetically and contains materials produced and collected by PWAC, including off-air recordings.

All sound and video recordings noted in this series that do not have id numbers are unavailable at this time pending preservation transfer. Readers should advise Division staff of their interest in any recording that has yet to be transferred by using the following link: <http://www.nypl.org/mssref>

AIDS and Women: The Greatest Gamble, undated (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

Peregrine Productions, Charlotte K. Beyers

AIDS special (TBS), undated (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

AIDS memorial service, 1991 [Apr 20?] (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

Bias experienced by people with AIDS in medical care, 1992 Oct 30 (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

PWAC members interviewed by Diane Wormser [?] for a course.

See also Subseries IV.A. Volunteer department files: Topical files, Thank you letters.

Board of Directors Meeting, 1991 Jun 25 (1 sound cassette (min.) : analog, . ; 2 3/4 x 4 in.)
Three tapes

See also Series V. Board of Directors files, Minutes 1991 Jun 25.

Debra Provenzano and Joey Leonte at PWAC, undated (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

Doors Opening: A Positive Approach to AIDS, 1985 (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; 3/4 in. (U-matic))

Property of the Hay Foundation.

Horsfield/Spiro [Ellen], 1989 Apr 9, Jul 3 (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; 3/4 in. (U-matic))

Interview with Michael Callen, 1993 Jan 7 (1 sound cassette (min.) : analog, . ; 2 3/4 x 4 in.)

Interview by Bree Scott-Hartland

Northern Lights Alternative's AIDS Mastery workshop panel on women and AIDS at New York University [?], undated (1 videocassette (59 min.) : sd., col. ; 3/4 in. (U-matic))

Series VII. Sound and video recordings (cont.)

People with AIDS Coalition [commercial], undated (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

PWAC: Video clipping, [1990] (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

PWAC: Video clippings, undated (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

Pain and politics of AIDS -- Bill T. (006-1494)

Discrimination -- John H. (1503-1760)

Sex clubs -- (1761-1847)

Millie D. and Vilma S. (1849-1894)

Joe Miller (1896-1946)

Anna Carbonelli and Jeff Q. (1947-2335)

Heart of the matter -- Millie O. (2338-2748)

Jeff Q. -- NY1 [?] (2749-2787)

Chris B. and Tidia V. (2788-2854)

Allison Gertz (2856-3613)

Mary Fisher (3614-3816)

Prime time -- Bill T. (3822-4031)

John H. (4033-4042)

Best Talk -- Harvey Fierstein and John H. (4044-4318)

Out in the '90s -- Larry G., John Mc., and Don Tuthill (4372-4505)

PWAC: Video montage, 1993 (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

PWACableLine: Mothers Group, undated (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

Episodes [?] 1 and 2

Safe Sex PSA, undated (1 videocassette (2 min.) : sd., col. ; 3/4 in. (U-matic))

Loaned by the Bureau of Sexological Investigation

Sister to Sister: Out in the '90s, 1993 (1 videocassette (min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

Stop the Church: History section, undated (1 videocassette (6 min.) : sd., col. ; 3/4 in. (U-matic))

Untitled Reel #1, 1990 Apr (1 Sound tape reel (min.) : analog, 7.5 ips ; 10 in.)

Untitled Reel #2, 1990 Apr (1 Sound tape reel (min.) : analog, 7.5 ips ; 10 in.)

Untitled Reel #3, 1990 Apr (1 Sound tape reel (min.) : analog, 7.5 ips ; 10 in.)

Untitled Reel #4, 1990 Apr (1 Sound tape reel (min.) : analog, 7.5 ips ; 10 in.)

Wide Time: Surviving AIDS, undated (1 videocassette (4 min.) : sd., col. ; (VHS))

A documentary in progress; Mimi Plevin-Foust and Raul Llorens.

See also Series I. Executive Directors' files, *Wide Time: Surviving AIDS*.

Series VIII. Artifacts (1 box, 2 oversize folders)

This series is arranged alphabetically and consists of buttons, certificates of recognition, cloth banners, and posters.

b.71 Buttons: Various

b.71 Certificates of recognition, 1989-1992

b.71 Cloth banners

Three banners ask for \$1 donations to benefit PWAC.

Posters

Includes an oversized citation from the Borough of Manhattan.

Series VIII. Artifacts (cont.)

Posters (cont.)

People Being Cured of AIDS: 000,000,000,000

Poster text; see also the NYPL Digital Gallery Image ID 1583392 for a draft.