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Abstract

The Holland Rescue Mission was founded as the Holland City Mission by Nellie Churchford in 1907, before a building was purchased in 1927. Decades of nonprofit service to the poor in Holland expanded the Mission into two buildings, providing more living space for homeless families, including men, women, and children. The Holland City Mission changed its name to the Holland Rescue Mission in 1984. Along with families with little to no financial support, the mission housed persons with drug and alcohol addiction. The Mission's purpose was to set strict rules of curfew and behavior for the residents so that they would be persuaded to both find work and try to reach a goal of a plan to support themselves and their families. The collection contains several photographs of building construction and charitable events, bulletins from churches associated with the Mission, along with pamphlets and advertisements for events. The collection also includes many newspaper articles from the Mission's long history, financial records, and minutes of its building committee.

Accession No: H15-1900
Provenance: Holland Rescue Mission
Donor: Holland Rescue Mission
Photographs: 517 images
Processed by: Bonnie Nelson, March 2016

History

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Scope and Content

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Container List

Annual Harvest Banquet, n.d.

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, 1998
Articles of Incorporation, 1993
Book, *The Proverbs*, 1893
Brochure, n.d.
Building Committee, 1984-2004
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Churchford, Nellie, 1939-2010
Clippings, 1920-2001 (4 folders)
Correspondence, n.d., 2004
Discipleship Program, n.d.
Family Hope Ministry Campus, 1999
Fundraising, 1985-1998
Grant Proposal Research, 1996
History, n.d.
Lighthouse Redemption Chorus Flyer, n.d.
Lydia's Home for Women and Children, brochure, n.d.
Model Releases, 1998, 2001
Newsletter, *The Gospel Lighthouse/The Lighthouse*, 1985-1999
Photographs
 Annual Harvest Banquet, n.d. (30 images)
 Bargain Center/Lakeshore Rescued Treasures, n.d. (14 images)
 Churchford, Nellie, n.d. (6 images)
 Clients, n.d., 1986 (3 images)
 Clothing Day Service, 1984 (1 image)
 Donations
 New, 1986-1987 (4 images)
 Resale, n.d., 1984 (12 images)
 Family Hope Ministry Campus
 Building, 1999-2000 (150 images) (4 folders)
 Exterior, n.d., 2000 (16 images)
 Grand Opening, 2000 (26 images)
 Groundbreaking, 1999 (32 images)
 Interior, 2000 (36 images)
 Moving In, 2000 (5 images)
 Food Delivery, n.d. (1 image)
 Groups, n.d. (6 images)
 Holland Rescue Mission (8th Street)
 Closing, 1986 (2 images)
 Exterior, n.d. (3 images)
 Interior, 1984 (4 images)
 Holland Rescue Mission (River Avenue)
 Exterior, n.d., 1987 (7 images)
 Interior, n.d., 1986-1988 (43 images) (2 folders)
 Renovation, 1985-1987 (34 images)
 Musical Concert, 12/1986 (2 images)
 Service, n.d. (6 images)

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Sign with Scripture, n.d. (1 image)
Staff, n.d., 1986-1994 (13 images)
Unknown Building, n.d. (1 image)
Unknown Event, 10/1985 (18 images)
Unknown Event, 06/1978 (9 images)
Vehicle, 1978 (1 image)
Volunteers, n.d., 1984-1993 (31 images)

Poster, n.d.

Project Rescue Action, 1999

Superintendents, Houston, Ralph and Sandra, 1992

Vehicle Donation Program, n.d.

Volunteers, 1995-1999