

NEW HAVEN COLONY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

LIBRARY

Manuscripts B-61

No.

Date processed: 1984

- I. Title Community Progress, Inc. New Haven.
Youth development program records, 1962-1982.
- II. The papers of Community Progress, Inc. New Haven.
deposited in the Library on 1983, by Bridgeport Public Library
In converted the deposit to a gift.
- III. Linear feet of shelf space occupied: $\frac{1}{2}$
Approximate number of items: 593
- IV. Restrictions: none

V. Literary rights of the unpublished writings of
in these papers, and in other collections of papers in the custody of
the New Haven Colony Historical Society Library, have been dedicated
to the New Haven Colony Historical Society.

VI. Press release was issued on

VII. Biographical note:

Community Progress, Inc. (CPI) was an independent agency formally organized in April, 1962 with a 3-year grant of \$2,500,000 from the Ford Foundation to aid New Haven in the planned program of human renewal. This program had been begun by Mayor Richard C. Lee shortly after his election in 1954 as an accompaniment to physical urban renewal. The Ford grant was soon followed by \$800,000 from the Presidents' Committee on the Prevention and Control of Delinquency, \$300,000 from the U. S. Office of Manpower and Training, and other public and private sources. Extensions continued the program until 1976, when its functions and methods of operations were transferred to other agencies.*

Half the funds were allocated to the Board of Education for special programs
(contd. on p. b)

VIII. Analysis:

This collection of CPI records consists of two parts in one box: Folders A-P, the papers of Anita S. Vogel, associate director of the Youth Development Program; Folders Q to the end, local newspaper clippings about the total work of the agency. In the first part, reports and minutes are arranged from general plans to the more specific; i.e. overall studies and meetings covering several programs about youth and manpower projects, to specific youth programs in the schools.

Community Progress, Inc. New Haven.
Youth development program records, 1962-1982.

Biographical note continued:

they ran in cooperation with CPI to attack critical needs both felt were crucial in the targeted neighborhoods. The other half was used for adult literacy, manpower training, leisure time programs and other unmet social needs. CPI proposed, supervised and funded programs only in cooperation with existing agencies, which executed the projects.

* See Folder S, article marked with red check, for demise of CPI.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

BOX 1

Folder A:

- Opening Opportunities, pamphlet published by CPI to explain goals, methods of operation, organizations and persons involved 1962 (1)
- History of founding CPI, by B. M. Shiffman, an administrator 1963 (7)
- A more detailed explanation of section 1, page 4 of above history, focusing on youth development, the field of Anita S Vogel, donor of the collection 1962 (2)
- Summary report on evaluation of youth development demonstration projects based on meeting of Presidents' Com. on Juvenile Delinquency and Youth Crime, Nov. 13-15, 1962 (2)
- Additional relevant notes from above meeting (2)
- Progress report of CPI's youth development program submitted to above meeting (4)
- Partial self-analysis of YD planning thus far by Anita S. Vogel, associate director, and Elmer Luchterhand (10)

Folder B:

- Brief reports by Anita S. Vogel as basis for YD program planning: 1962
 - Education and employment (7)
 - Role of school (3)
 - Problems of inner-city youth (1)
 - Drop-out study in New Haven (2)
- Report of visit to U.S. Office of Education by A.V. and Fred Rossomondo for evaluation and suggestions for improvement and administration of programs 1963 (6)
- Complete minutes of above meeting (13)
- Reports by AV to George Bennett, director of Manpower, about steps taken in youth employment programs June-Aug., 1963 (20)

Folder C:

- Request by CPI from U.S. Office of Manpower, Automation and Training for funding of a Special Training Project 1963 (18)

Folder D:

- Aspects of the Demonstration Manpower Program of Community Progress, Inc. in New Haven, Conn., a publication of the U.S. Dept. of Labor 1964 (48)

Folder E:

- Random hand-written notes by AV used as basis for some of her reports 1963 (37)

Folder F:

- Application to U.S. Dept. of Labor for grant for special youth training program, submitted by Mitchell Sviridoff, executive director of CPI (later affirmed with \$300,000 grant) 1963 (22)

Folder G:

- Status report of CPI manpower program as of May 1, 1963 (22)

Folder H:

- Chart of YD demonstration programs explaining persons and agencies involved and budget (8)
- Additional program information as of August 1963 (10)
- Summary of Ford Foundation assisted programs (1)

BOX 1 cont.

Folder I:

Appointment of Anita S. Vogel as associate director of YD of CPI and confirmation of her duties 1963 (2)
Proposed work-experience programs in various schools, including weekly reports by A. S. V. as required of her (39)

Folder J:

Continuation (26)

Folder K:

Minutes and reports of meetings between George Bennett, director of manpower, and industry and labor leaders to participate in training and employment of youth in the target neighborhoods (35)

Folder L:

Continuation (40)

Folder M:

Continuation (33)

Folder N:

Continuation (37)

Folder O:

Summer school program 1963 (1)
Reading improvement program (7)
Report of pupil services (4)
Teacher-improvement program (2)
Changes in curriculum and methods (7)
Adult literacy program (12)

Folder P

Out-of-school programs (26)
Work Crew Program, out-of-school (18)

Folder Q:

Clippings from the New Haven Register reporting on aspects of functioning of CPI 1967-1968 (20)

Folder R:

Continuation 1968 (20)

Folder S:

Continuation 1969-1982 (24)

