

PRELIMINARY INVENTORY
S0050 (SA0768, SA2300, SA2780, SA3449)
MID-CONTINENT LIFE SERVICES CORPORATION RECORDS

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Introduction

Approximately 2 cubic feet

The records of the Mid-Continent Life Services Corporation contain correspondence, meeting minutes, agendas, newsletters, and surveys documenting the organization's mission to provide community services to the LGBTQ community in St. Louis. Materials of interest include telephone hotline logs, which include a listing of all calls the Mid-Continent Life Services Corporation received through its telephone hotline. The logs contain the nature and time of each call and the solution or referral offered by the hotline staff workers. Also included in this collection are issues of the organization's newsletters, *Prime Time* and *Gay St. Louis*. The information in this collection is incomplete because the names featured in the records were redacted at the request of the donor.

MLSC was a community services organization for gays in St. Louis from 1975 to its dissolution in 1978. The group provided a community center, office space, a monthly newsletter, referrals to health facilities and other gay groups, and a telephone hotline for the gay community in metropolitan St. Louis. It also provided a speaker's bureau, life enrichment classes, and TV and radio interviews to help the public understand and accept gays. It was also a founding member of the Missouri Gay Caucus, an annual state-wide convention of gays.

Donor Information

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Box List

Box 1

Administration

- Certificate of incorporation and financial materials, 1976-1978
- Metropolitan Life Insurance Company lawsuit, 1976
- General directory, no date
- Corporate bylaws, 1976
- Directives of Procedures, 1976

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Board of Directors,
 Nominating Committee candidate files, 1976-1977
 Meeting minutes, agendas, waivers, and resignation notices, 1976-1978
 (3 folders)
Membership meetings, 1975-1978
General correspondence, 1976-1979
Mailings, 1976-1978
Speakers Bureau confirmations, 1976-1978
Donation acknowledgements, 1977
Publications, 1975-1978
Opinionnaire, no date
Survey, 1975
Former members survey, no date
Metropolitan Association of Service Hotlines, meeting minutes, 1976-1977
Telephone Hotline
 Hotline Board of Advisors, agendas, meeting minutes, and memoranda, 1978
 Hotline forwarding manual, no date
 Hotline training manual, no date
 Hotline phone logs, October 1975-August 1976 (11 folders)

Box 2

 Hotline phone logs, September 1976-September 1978 (21 folders)
Other Groups
 Athena, Blue Max, Caucus of Gay Counselors, Christopher Street Association,
 1975-1978
 Dignity, 1977
 Florida Citrus Commission and Florida Gay Liberation News, 1977
 Fox Valley Gay Association, Gateway Motorcycle Club, and Gay Activists
 Alliance, New York, 1976
 Gay Academic Union, Gay and Lesbian Pride and Planning Committee, Gay
 Community Center of Colorado, Gay Community Center of San Francisco,
 and Gay Academic Union, St. Louis, 1977-1981
 Gay Community Services-Kansas City, Missouri, Gay Community Services-
 Minneapolis, Gay Illini, and Gay Jews, 1975-1977
 Gays on the Hill, Gay People's Alliance-Washington University, Gay Rights
 National Lobby, Illinois Gay Task Force, 1976-1978
 Integrity, 1977-1978
 Joint Committee for Gay Rights, Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund,
 1976-1977
 Lutherans Concerned, Midwest Gay Rights Financial Committee, 1975-1977
 Missouri Gay Caucus, 1977
 National Gay Task Force, 1975-1978
 National Gay Student Center, Nine Seven Six, Ohio Gay Rights Coalition, Parents
 and Friends of Gays, 1977
 One of Chicago, Pride Community Center-Joplin, Missouri, St. Louis Gay
 Coalition, St. Louis Task Force for Human Rights, United Church of Christ,

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1976-1977

Prime Time, October 1975-August 1976 (5 folders)

Box 3

Prime Time, October 1976-September 1977 (6 folders)

Gay St. Louis, 1977-1978

Gaylife, 1978-1979

Gay People's Alliance newsletter, 1975

Correspondence, no date

Financial ledgers, no date

Newsletter layout page, no date