Guide to the Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. Records

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Descriptive Summary
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Abstract: Established in Oakland, California on November 20, 1918 by the Northern Federation of Colored Women’s Clubs, the Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. was created to “care for homeless, dependent, neglected children from broken homes, and to provide day care for children of working parents.” The Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. Records consist of correspondence, reports, meeting and fundraising programs, and newspaper clippings that document the management of the children’s home.
Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English
Access
No access restrictions. Collection is open to the public.
Access Restrictions
Materials are for use in-library only, non-circulating.
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Biography / Administrative History
Established in Oakland, California on November 20, 1918 by the Northern Federation of Colored Women’s Clubs, the Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. was created to care for homeless, dependent, neglected children from broken homes, and to provide day care for children of working parents. The home was located at 1215 Peralta St. in West Oakland from 1918-1928 before moving to a larger facility at 815 Linden St. where it would remain until 1962. The home could accommodate up to 20 resident children and 8-15 children for day care services and was operated by a professional staff of over ten employees that included social workers and a volunteer psychiatrist. The home was managed by a Board of Directors, which largely consisted of members of the Northern Federation of Colored Women’s Clubs, a community advisory...
committee, and an executive director who oversaw the home’s day-to-day operations. The home received funding from a variety of sources including rent from an apartment in Berkeley donated by Josephine Sutton, Community Chest, the Dreiser Trust, and through fundraising events coordinated by the home. In 1962 the Oakland Redevelopment Agency purchased the property at 815 Linden St. in order to demolish the building for the Acorn Project. The home moved to its current location at 647 55th St. but initially struggled to obtain a license from the Social Welfare Department, and the home was not re-opened until 1967 as part of a placement program for the Alameda County Welfare Department. The home was forced to close again in 1970 for remodeling and reopened in 1978 as a child daycare facility and Head Start Center.

Scope and Content of Collection
The Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. Records consist of correspondence, reports, meeting and fundraising programs, and newspaper clippings that document the management of the children’s home. A majority of the records relate to the home’s Board of Directors meetings, fundraising efforts, and reports on the financial operations of the home.

Arrangement
Series I. Administrative files
Series II. Newspaper clippings

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog:
Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc.
Children—Institutional care—California.
Group homes for children—California.
African Americans—California—Oakland—Social conditions—20th century.

Related Material
Colored Women’s Clubs Associations Collection, MS 1, African American Museum and Library at Oakland.

Administrative files

Physical Description: 11 folders

Series Scope and Content Summary
Includes correspondence, reports, a newsletter, fundraising and meeting programs, Board of Directors roster, and employment records that document the operations of the Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery.

Box 1:1
Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. correspondence 1937-1971
https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_7f930c2a-e68d-41e7-bda1-9fd54086ac87/

Annual corporation meeting

Box 1:2
Annual corporation meeting program 1959-1978
https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_9089b46c-2c10-4f11-94b1-682118b0d334/

Box 1:2
Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. annual meeting announcement 1960-01-25
https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_101379dc-f387-4f27-b2bc-c77c1eb86835/

Box 1:2
Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. meeting program circa 1966
https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_435b2992-7e0a-4b0e-b933-374ddc62ef87/

Box 1:2
Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. annual corporation meeting program 1972-02-28

Box 1:2
Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. annual corporation meeting program 1972-05-28
https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_83e00780-630b-42ff-9189-f0922fac7fa/
| Box 1:2 | Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. annual corporation meeting program 1973-05-26 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_dc93362d-6c81-4f05-abc1-722a5403a478/ |
| Box 1:2 | Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. annual corporation meeting notice 1975 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_073a4296-a30f-4380-a79c-20c3704c432c/ |
| Box 1:2 | Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. board meeting agenda 1978-01-04 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_68d4e43d-1325-499c-a9df-e80af39780ca/ |
| Box 1:3 | Board of Directors roster 1980 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_44392e3e-d6b9-4819-98be-32013c4212a8/ |
| Box 1:4 | Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. annual report 1972-02-10 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_90b65664-bede-4c73-84e9-8214753f8cf0/ |
| Box 1:5 | Report of the Program Committee 1955 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_3565ad56-e503-4e34-ad96-4abb97ab01f/ |
| Box 1:6 | Building fundraiser ball program, Oakland Auditorium 1946 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_59821405-03c1-430a-8b75-243cd4899d25/ |
| Box 1:7 | The Fanny Wall Home monthly bulletin no. 6 1956 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_217a6b65-4965-41e4-8157-a9df45a886/ |
| Box 1:8 | Luncheon and open house programs |
|        | Open house and miscellaneous shower program 1945-06-10 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_f8f9fd29-8b78-4639-92d0-a05660f4df06/ |
| Box 1:8 | Invitation to luncheon honoring Mr. Roy Blackburn 1979-04-30 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_abd52add-5819-48ea-8ba9-a08286ee7ff/ |
| Box 1:8 | Fundraiser dinner tickets |
|        | Ticket to Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery, Inc. annual meeting and turkey dinner 1933-05-08 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_4abdd40-7027-434e-b35a-9d746aa003f6/ |
| Box 1:8 | Ticket to chicken dinner benefit of Fannie Wall Home building fund 1944-10-18 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_4ecd7bdf-4db6-48c7-9178-5ea1891c7986/ |
| Box 1:8 | Lest we forget - our monument circa 1960s |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_cfa4744a-75cf-48d7-9f20-912412ad4777/ |
| Box 1:11 | Jones, Esther, The city federation of Oakland and Fannie Wall Children’s Home and Day Nursery 1958 |
|        | https://oakland.access.preservica.com/uncategorized/digitalFile_dc7da73f-0d7a-42bb-940f-f23a3c32d230/ |
| Box 1:12 | Francis Robinson employment records 1956 |
| Box 1:10 | Newspaper clippings 1946-1971 |
|        | Physical Description: 1 folder |
|        | Series Scope and Content Summary |
|        | Newspaper clippings related to the children’s home and day nursery.