Community United Against Violence (CUAV) records

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Community United Against Violence (CUAV) records
Dates: 1977-2005
Collection Number: 1996-33
Creator/Collector:
Extent: 31 cartons, 108 manuscript boxes, 1 oversize box, 1 oversize folder (84.95 linear feet)
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Abstract: This collection documents the work of Community United Against Violence (CUAV), the nation's first LGBTQQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning) anti-violence organization. The collection covers the years 1977 to 2005, and contains administrative records; board materials; correspondence; financial records; hate crime surveys, reports and statistics; incident and police reports; materials related to the organization’s Speakers Bureau, and other outreach projects and events produced by CUAV; public relations materials; files collected by staff members; subject files; news clippings; awards; and reference publications.
Language of Material: English
Access
Collection is open for research with the exception of some incident reports, which are restricted until December 31, 2014. Funding for processing this collection was provided by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) and the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR).
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Acquisition Information
Gift of Community United Against Violence in October 1996.
Biography/Administrative History
Community United Against Violence (CUAV) was founded in 1979 as an organized effort to promote community safety in San Francisco’s Castro District. This was in the wake of the assassinations of Harvey Milk and George Moscone and police attacks on LGBTQ people. CUAV is the country’s oldest LGBTQ anti-violence organization. Programs initially included a safety whistle campaign, a gay and lesbian speakers bureau for public schools, and later expanded to include a 24-hour crisis line and peer advocates to support survivors of hate violence and intimate partner violence. After the adoption of an anti-oppression framework in the late 1990's, CUAV launched TransAction with the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights to organize against anti-transgender police violence. It also started the Love & Justice Program to create opportunities for LGBTQ youth of color to develop healthy relationship skills through the arts. (see www.cuav.org/history)
Scope and Content of Collection
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Indexing Terms
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Homophobia
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