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3 1/2 ft.

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Names as Subjects
Schultz, Gustav H., 1935-

Biographical Description
Gustav H. Schultz was born 1935 in Foley, Alabama, receiving his education at Concordia Theological Seminary and Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. He served pastorates in Georgia and Illinois before becoming pastor of the University Lutheran Chapel, Berkeley, California in 1969. This period saw a growing movement against participation in the Vietnam Conflict as an immoral, illegal, and undeclared war, and the increasing identity of the church with the moral and ethical issues of choice within the individual conscience. Responding to this, the University Lutheran Chapel, under Schultz's leadership, with the support of other churches in the area and the city of Berkeley, declared a formal resolution of sanctuary. Sanctuary offered "the availability of shelter and sustenance to military personnel who are conscientiously unable to continue their participation in the armed forces or in combat duties." (Resolution, Nov. 7, 1971: See, Box 1 ff 9)

A similar movement for sanctuary emerged a decade later due to the civil and economic instability in Central America, particularly El Salvador, exacerbated in part by historic and current U.S. policies in the area. In the early 1980's there was a large displacement of peoples from civil war, military aggression and terror, and subsequent personal and economic hardship. Refugees began to travel north to camps, and further through Mexico to the United States. The U.S., due to its policies in Central America and concerning asylum, did not recognize Central Americans, or El Salvadorans, as qualifying for refugee status. Those caught were deported and returned to their countries. Becoming aware of the complexities of the situation, churches began to respond to the needs of the refugees. Again, the idea and use of the concept of sanctuary became the impetus for a movement among churches in the United States.

While work was being done and the movement taking form in the Tucson area, Gus Schultz had helped form the East Bay Sanctuary Covenant from among the Sather Gate Churches in Berkeley. March 24, 1982 was the second anniversary of the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero, a key figure in El Salvador murdered by the military as he was saying mass. That day, reminded "of our obligation to our religious heritage, to each other, and to you", formal sanctuary was declared by the University Lutheran Chapel giving "support, protection and advocacy for undocumented Central American refugees who were fleeing for their lives." (Reaffirmation, March 24, 1988: See, Box 1 ff 9)

Schultz worked in many capacities within the Sanctuary Movement, making trips to Central America, assisting with sanctuary for refugees in the Bay Area, and helping to found, or being a member of, several sanctuary-related organizations including the National Sanctuary Defense Fund, SHARE, Salvadoran Humanitarian Aid, Research and Education, and others.

The Sanctuary Movement included those who sought to offer humanitarian aid seeing this as a part of one's religious sensibilities. The Movement also included those who perceived this as a political opportunity to expose and work against U.S. policies in Central America, a position also informed by religious sensibilities. No matter the emphases of the Movement, the U.S. government saw it as subversive and illegal. The government carried out surveillance of involved persons, churches, and organizations resulting in indictments, trials, and convictions in 1985-86.

Scope and Content
The majority of the collection concerns the sanctuary movement for Central American refugees. Sanctuary for military personnel is a small, though significant, part of the collection. This collection was obtained from the donor's office. Material was received in 3-ring binders, file folders, and loose. See container listing for arrangement notations.


Location: 2/G/3

Box Box 1, Folder ff 1-10

Material from 3-ring binders (arranged as taken from binders) on issues for soldiers and sailors seeking sanctuary to avoid active duty during the Vietnam War. Includes: correspondence, information papers, newsclippings, flyers. The 1988 material pertains to troops sent to Central America. The 1990 material pertains to the Gulf War.

El Salvador, 1981-82

Location: 2/G/3

Box Box 1, Folder ff 11-28

Material from 3-ring binders (arranged as taken from binders) on sanctuary issues involving refugees from El Salvador and Central America. Includes correspondence, information papers, reports, press releases, news clippings, conferences, lawsuits, tape transcripts, grant proposals, meeting notes, worship services.

Central America, 1983-88

Location: 2/G/3

Box Box 1, Folder ff 29-34

General

Honduras, 1983-84, 1987

Location: 2/G/3

Box Box 1, Folder ff 35-37

Materials on refugee camps.

Nicaragua, 1984

Location: 2/G/3

Box Box 1, Folder ff 38-40

Sanctuary Movement

Location: 2/G/3-2/G/4

Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically by file folder title. Materials taken from file folders and loose papers, arranged here by processor under this subject heading.

Box Box 1, Folder ff 41

Break-ins to sanctuary offices, 1986-87

Box Box 1, Folder ff 42

Campus Ministry, 1984

Box Box 1, Folder ff 43

Cities, Sanctuary Resolutions, 1984-85

Box Box 1, Folder ff 44

Cities of Refuge, 1985-86

Box Box 2, Folder ff 1

Jim Corbett, "The Covenant as Sanctuary", 1985

Box Box 2, Folder ff 2-6

Correspondence, 1983-88

Box Box 2, Folder ff 7

Criminal Investigation Report, 10/2/84

Box Box 2, Folder ff 8-9

General Information and Correspondence, 1983-88

Box Box 2, Folder ff 10

Grants proposals, 1983

Box Box 2, Folder ff 11

Grant: Lutheran Council, Dept. Immigration and Refugee Services to EBSC, 1983-84

Box Box 2, Folder ff 12

Information packets, 1982

Box Box 2, Folder ff 13

Lawsuit comments, 1984

Box Box 2, Folder ff 14

Letelier-Moffitt Memorial Human Rights Award, 9/84

Box Box 2, Folder ff 15

Letters from churches, 1984-85

Box Box 2, Folder ff 16

Lutheran response, 1984-85

Box Box 2, Folder ff 17

Mailing addresses, 1985

Box Box 2, Folder ff 18-20

Media coverage, 1985-86

Box Box 2, Folder ff 21-23

Newsclippings compiled by Data Center, 1984-85
| Folder ff 24 | National Sanctuary Communications Council, 1985 |
| Folder ff 26 | Reaction from the Right, 1985 |
| Folder ff 27 | Statements/Press Releases, 1983-85 |
| Folder ff 28 | Schultz statements, 1984 |
| Folder ff 29 | Tucson meeting, June 1985 |
| Folder ff 30 | Washington trip, 1984 |
| Folder ff 31 | Phil Wheaton, “Emphases within the Sanctuary Movement”, ca. 1985 |

### Court Cases

**Location:** 2/G/4

| Box Box 2 , | Tucson trials, 1985 |
| Folder ff 32 | U.S.A. vs. Maria Aguilar, July 1986 |
| Folder ff 33 | 1984, 1989 |
| Folder ff 34 | AELC, Pacific Synod: Preparation to merge to Evangelical Lutheran Churches of America, 1985-86 |

### Groups

**Location:** 2/G/4

**Arrangement**

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| Box Box 2 , | ACLU, 1983, 1985 |
| Folder ff 36 | Center for Constitutional Rights, 1984-85 |
| Folder ff 37 | Center for Immigrants Rights, "The Legal Rights of the Undocumented Immigrant," n.d. |
| Folder ff 38 | Chicago Religious Task Force on Central America, 1984 |
| Folder ff 39 | Christian Urgent Action Network for El Salvador, 1985 |
| Folder ff 40 | East Bay Sanctuary Covenant, 1983-85 |
| Folder ff 41-46 | Faculty for Human Rights in Central America, 1984 |
| Folder ff 47 | Federation of American Immigration Reform, Roger Conner, n.d. |
| Folder ff 48 | Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization, n.d. |
| Folder ff 49 | Jewish Sanctuary Covenant, n.d. |
| Folder ff 50 | National Sanctuary Defense Fund, 1984-85 |
| Box Box 3 , | National Sanctuary Defense Fund (con’t.), 1981-87 |
| Folder ff 1-8 | Rio Grand Defense Committee, 1985-86 |
| Folder ff 9 | Salvadoran Humanitarian Aid, Research and Education, 1983-87 |
| Folder ff 10-11 | Tucson Ecumenical Council Task Force for Central America, 1984-85 |

### Newsletters

**Location:** 2/G/4

**Arrangement**

Arranged chronologically.

| Box Box 3 , | One or two issues of various newsletters on sanctuary issues. |
| Folder ff 13-16 | |

### Monographs

**Location:** 2/G/4

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Arranged chronologically.

| Box Box 3 , | Central American Refugee Defense Network, Report, Feb. 1983 |
| Folder ff 18 | |
Folder ff 19  Seeking Safe Haven: Congregational Guide to Helping Central American Refugees in the United States, ca. 1983
Folder ff 20  La Guerra en Centro America Guia a la Escalada Militar de los Estados Unidos, March 1983
Folder ff 21  Basta: Sanctuary Organizer's Nuts and Bolts Supplement, ca. 1983
Folder ff 22  Central America: Report to Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, June 1984
Folder ff 23  Witness to Political Violence in El Salvador: Testimonies of Refugees, June 1984
Folder ff 24  Peacemaking II: U.S. Religious Statements on Central America, July 1984
Folder ff 25  ACLU: The Fates of Salvadorans Expelled from the U.S., Sept. 1984
Folder ff 26  Indian Guatemala: Path to Liberation, 1984
Folder ff 27  Testimony: The Massacres of Cabanas and Chalatenango, El Salvador, 1984-85
Folder ff 29  Campus Sanctuary, UC Riverside, April 1985
Folder ff 30  Central America, Report II to the Bishop of the Episcopal Church, Sept. 1985
Folder ff 31  Art Auction for the Arizona Sanctuary Defense Fund, Oct. 1985
Folder ff 32  Informe: Sobre la Situacion de los Derechos Humanos en Nicaragua, 1986
Folder ff 33  Despite a Generous Spirit: Denying Asylum in the U.S., Dec. 1986
Folder ff 34  Sanctuary: A Question for the Church, 1986
Folder ff 35  Untitled, 1987; re: Mesa Grande Camp
Folder ff 36  In the Shadow of Liberty: Central American Refugees in the U.S., Sept. 1988
Folder ff 37  El Salvador Chronology, August 1989
Folder ff 38  1989 Working Documents and Report, 1st National Conf., Committee for U.S. Action on Asylum Concerns
Folder ff 39  3 undated, in Spanish

Newsclippings and Articles
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  Arranged chronologically.

Box Box 3 ,
Folder ff 40-45  1982-90

Newspapers
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Folio Folio 1  One or two issues of various oversize newspapers 2/G/4 on sanctuary issues; 1983-85.