Economic Development Department, Nebraska

RG073 Nebraska. Department of Economic Development

Records: 1961-1985
Cubic ft.: 53.5
Approx. # of Items: 54 boxes & 1 reel of 35mm microfilm

HISTORICAL NOTE

The Legislature of 1967 created the Nebraska Department of Economic Development from the Division of Nebraska Resources of the Department of Agriculture and Economic Development. The major function of the department is to “plan, promote and develop the economy of the state and work for the fullest development of the state’s human, natural and physical resources; stimulate the growth of prosperity of commerce, agriculture, industry and job opportunities within the state; and coordinate the efforts of private and governmental agencies engaged in similar activities within the state.” This includes planning and community development, research, and industrial development.

A Nebraska Economic Development Advisory Committee, composed of nine members and the Director of Economic Development. Today it is called the Economic Development Commission and serves to advise the department on ways to develop Nebraska’s economy. Members are selected from both rural and urban areas with diverse backgrounds.

The 1959 Legislature established the Nebraska Agricultural Products Research Advisory Committee for the research and development of new, additional and improved uses for agricultural products. In 1967 the duties of this Committee were transferred to the new Department of Economic Development and are performed by the Research Division of the Department.

The divisions of the department include Community and Rural Development, the Affordable Housing Commission, Community Development Block Grant Advisory Committee, the Rural Development Commission, Business Recruitment Division, the Existing Business Assistance Division, the Research Division, Field Services, the division of Travel and Tourism, and the Economic Development Commission.
SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The records of the Department of Economic Development are arranged in the following order:

SG1 Administration
S1 Economic Development Commission, 1967-1973
S2 Administrative Correspondence (none)
S3 Missouri River Marketing Office, 1979-1983

SG2 Travel and Tourism Division
S1 Special Projects, 1971-1976
S2 Printed Matter (microfiche)

SG3 Industrial Development
S1 Community Files, 1967-1985

SG4 Research Division
S1 Agricultural Research, 1968-1985
S2 Community Files, 1967-1980
S3 Project Files, 1961-1979

Subgroup One, Series One, includes the minutes of the Economic Development Committee, on microfilm, 1967-1973.

Travel and Tourism division records include correspondence, transcripts of hearings, comprehensive plans, etc. concerning the pioneer monument project across Nebraska’s interstate system, 1971-1973; and the master plan for development of the Strategic Aerospace Museum, 1972.

Motion picture (8mm) film of educational television spots used by the Industrial Development division of the department in 1970, has been transferred to this agency’s audio/visual department.

Agricultural Research consists of the majority of records accessioned from the Research Division, SG4, of this collection. Included is information on the development of new products using agricultural materials, and information on patents for these products. Also included in this subgroup are Community Development files, 1967-1980 and special project files including the Wild West Arena, 1970-1973; Nebraska Water Conference, 1974-1976; information on Amylose film patent and materials; LB703 Research Institute correspondence, 1961-1964, correspondence and contracts.

The material comprising this collection has been transferred to the State Archives over the period, 1976-1997.

DESCRIPTION

SUBGROUP ONE ADMINISTRATION, 1967-1983
SERIES ONE    ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, 1967-1973

Roll #1    Minutes, July 12, 1967
RMA0502   thru
73-4-7    Minutes, November 2, 1973
SF Copy

SERIES TWO    ADMINISTRATIVE CORRESPONDENCE

    No records for this series have been transferred to the Archives.

SERIES THREE    MISSOURI RIVER MARKETING OFFICE, 1979-1983

R97-14
B.01    Subject Files, 1979-1983 (alpha), RC9357
         AASHTO thru Missouri River Marketing Plan

B.02    Subject Files, 1979-1983 (alpha), RC309358
         MRMO Task Force thru User Fees

SUBGROUP TWO    TRAVEL AND TOURISM DIVISION

SERIES ONE    SPECIAL PROJECTS, 1971-1976

B.01    Report of Travel and Recreation Interagency
        Council to Gov. Exon and Legislature, 1976
        Master Plan, Strategic Aerospace Museum, 1972
        Pioneer Monument project, Interstate 80.

SERIES TWO    PRINTED MATTER, 1967-current

    Printed reports can be found in the Library of the Historical Society, at the Nebraska
    Library Commission, or on microfiche in the James C. Olson Reference Room of this
    agency.
SUBGROUP THREE   INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

SERIES ONE  COMMUNITY FILES, 1985 & prior

B.01-03  Industry Recruitment Community Files, 1985 & prior  
(328046-328048)  R95-52

SUBGROUP FOUR  RESEARCH DIVISION

SERIES ONE  AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH, 1968-1985

B.01-05  Agricultural Research Materials, 1967-1985  
(RC307136 thru RC307140)  R95-13

(RC307145 thru RC307153)  R95-13

(RC334016)  R95-13  
Amylose Film, Amylose Maize, and Polyurethane Foam

B.16  Project files 11.10.1 thru 14 (306039)  R96-23  
Amylose film patent  
Amylose Fiber - Japan, Great Britain, Germany

Class A patents (314147-314148)

B.19  Project Files, 1967-1979 (314236)  R95-13  
DKS Correspondence, 1968-1974  
Milen Correspondence, 1967-1979  
Bean Protein Patent Files

B.20  Agricultural Research files (324041)  R95-13  
Ag Research files, 1967-1968  
Foster D. Snell files & reports, 1967-1970

R95-13

B.21  Agricultural patent files, 1975-1985 (310236)

SERIES TWO  COMMUNITY FILES

B.01  Central Department Community Files, 1967-1980  
(334231)  R91-54  
Communities, Dalton to “J”  
Correspondence, memos, clippings, etc.

B.02-05  Community Files, 1970-1977  R94-41
SUBGROUP FOUR    RESEARCH DIVISION

SERIES THREE    PROJECT FILES, 1961-1979

R96-23
B.01    Project Files, 38.02.1 thru 39.44.03 (306035)
B.02    Project Files, 39.41.1 thru 39.56.02 (306036)
B.03    Project Files, 1970-1976 (306037)
          80.02.01 thru 80.02.8
          Wild West Arena, 1970-197
          Annual Economic Reports, 1971-1973
          Old West Regional Development Plan, 1973-1975
          50.01 & 50.01.5
          Economic Atlas, 1976
          Nebraska Water Conference, 1974-1975
          Maskenthine Project (Randy Ernst), 1975
B.04    Project Files, 1970-1976 (306038)
          38.01.1    thru 38.01.4
          39.05.2
          39.35.1
          Beck Plan (misc.)
          Nebraska Water Conference, 1976
          UMRRC - National Growth Policy
          Rural Fund cut
          Council of Economic Advisors
          ARAC
B.05    Project Files, 1961-1970 (306039)
          LB703 Research Institute corres., 1961-1964
          Nebr Artificial Heart Test & Evaluation
          Center Report
          C. J. Duffy correspondence, 1967-1970
          William G. Rieder contract

R91-09
B.06    Project Files, 1979 & prior (332431)
          Community Attitude Surveys, 60.01.3-36

End of Inventory
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