RG91
MEXICAN AMERICAN COMMISSION, NEBRASKA
   (renamed LATINO AMERICAN COMMISSION, NEBRASKA)
SPAN DATE OF RECORDS: 1972-1985
CUBIC FEET: 9.75

BACKGROUND:
The Mexican American Commission coordinates, assists, and cooperates with other agencies regarding education, employment, health, housing, welfare, and recreation programs for Latino Americans. The Commission, created in 1972 with the passage of LB1081, consists of nine members from across Nebraska, with one commissioner serving as the Governor’s representative. The Commission proposes new programs, evaluates existing programs, and informs the public and elected officials of problems in the Latino population in the state. On July 15, 2010, LB139 officially went into effect, and changed the Commission’s name for the first time in its forty year history. The Latino American Commission continues to act as a link between the government of Nebraska and the Hispanic/Latino community. Public awareness is accomplished through various programs, workshops, conferences and studies.

INVENTORY OF COLLECTION
This collection is divided into four subgroups:
   1) Administrative Correspondence, 1972-1985
   2) Topic/Subject Files, 1972-1985 (alphabetical order)
   3) Legal
   4) Commissioners Materials

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f. 2 Correspondence, Director, 1973
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f. 5 Administrative Services
f. 6 Aging, Department of
f. 7 ASCS Claims
f. 8 Budget
f. 9 Bi-lingual Conferences
f.10 Carrascolendas, Bi-lingual children television series
f.11 Chicano Awareness Center
f.12 Chicano Indian Economic Conference
f.13 Colleges, State
f.14 Community Action
f.15 Complaints
f.16 Conferences
f.17 Corrections, Dept. of
f.18 Crime Commission
f.19 Cuban Refugee Assistance
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f. 20 Correspondence, D-F
f. 21 Economic Development
f. 22 Economic Opportunity
f. 23 Education, Dept. of
f. 24 Educational Conference, 1973
f. 25 Educational Television
f. 26 Equal Opportunity Commission
f. 27 Federal
f. 28 Correspondence, G-I
f. 29 Game and Parks Commission
f. 30 Governor
f. 31 Governor Conference on Human Resource Development
f. 32 Health, Dept. of
f. 33 Image, A Spanish Speaking Organization concerned with Govt. Employment
f. 34 Indian Commission
f. 35 Institutions, Department of Public
f. 36 Correspondence, J-L
f. 37 Job Opportunities
f. 38 Labor Dept.
f. 39 Legislation
f. 40 LA Raza (Southwest Council)
f. 41 Legislators
f. 42 Library Commission
f. 43 Lincoln Community Action
f. 44 Lincoln Public Schools
f. 45 Literacy Council of Nebraska
f. 46 Lyman Education Conference
f. 47 Lyman Public Schools
f. 48 Correspondence, M-O
f. 49 Mexican American Education Conference, May 3-5, 1973
f. 50 Migrant Conference, 1973
f. 51 Migrant Fund
f. 52 Migrant Meeting, 1973
f. 53 Migrant Workers
f. 54 Motor Vehicles, Dept. of
f. 55 Old West Regional Commission
f. 56 Correspondence, P-R
f. 57 Panhandle Legal Services
f. 58 Planning and Programming
f. 59 Platte Valley Community Action
f. 60 Public Welfare, Dept. of
f. 61 Roads, Dept. of
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f. 1 Correspondence, S-T
f. 2 Southeast Nebraska Health Planning Council
f. 3 State Claims Board
f. 4 State Fair Board
f. 5 State Patrol
f. 6 State Patrol and Height Requirement Issue, 1973
f. 7 Correspondence, U-W
f. 8 University of Nebraska
f. 9 U.S. Civil Service Commission
f. 10 U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
f. 11 U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
f. 13 U.S. Housing and Urban Development Dept.
f. 14 U.S. Immigration and Naturalization
f. 15 Veterans Affairs
f. 16 Vista Program
f. 17 Western Nebraska, Scottsbluff
f. 18 Women’s Commission, Nebraska Commission on the Status of Women

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ADMINISTRATIVE CORRESPONDENCE, ASST. DIRECTOR
BOX 3, 1981-1984
f. 1 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1981-June 30, 1982
f. 2 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1981-June 30, 1982
f. 3 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1981-June 30, 1982 (folder #2)
f. 4 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983
f. 5 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983
f. 6 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983 (folder #2)
f. 7 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984
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BOX 4, 1981-1983
f. 1 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1981-June 30, 1982
f. 2 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1981-June 30, 1982 (folder #2)
f. 3 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1981-June 30, 1982
f. 4 Incoming Correspondence, July 2, 1982-June 30, 1983
f. 5 Incoming Correspondence, July 2, 1982-June 30, 1983 (folder #2)
f. 6 Incoming Correspondence, 1982
f. 7 Outgoing Correspondence, 1982
f. 8 Incoming General Correspondence, July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983
f. 9 Outgoing General Correspondence, July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983
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f. 11 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983 (folder II)
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f. 14 Outgoing General Correspondence, Lincoln Office, July 1, 1982-June 30, 1983

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BOX 5, 1983-1984
f. 1 Outgoing Correspondence, Western/Scottsbluff Office, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984
f. 2 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984
f. 3 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984 (folder II)
f. 4 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984 (folder III)
f. 5 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984
f. 6 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984 (folder II)
f. 7 Incoming General Correspondence, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984
f. 8 Incoming Correspondence, February 1, 1984-June 30, 1985

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BOX 6, 1984-1985
f. 1 Incoming General Correspondence, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985
f. 2 Outgoing General Correspondence, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985
f. 3 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985
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f. 5 Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985 (folder III)
f. 6 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985
f. 7 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985 (folder II)
f. 8 Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985 (folder III)
f. 9 Incoming Correspondence, January thru April 1985
f. 10 Executive Director, Staff Memos and Misc., 1983
f. 11 Executive Director, Staff Memos and Misc., 1983-1984
f. 12 Executive Director, Staff Memos and Misc., 1985
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TOPIC/SUBJECT FILES (total of five boxes; organized alphabetically)

Box 1

f. 1 Administrative Regulations, Mexican-American Commission, 1978-1985
f. 2 Administrative Regulations, Mexican-American Commission, 1985
f. 3 Annual Report, Executive Director, FY 1972-1973
f. 4 Alcoholism Project, Status Report, 1976-1981
f. 5 Attitudinal Survey conducted at Lincoln Southeast High School, 1975
f. 6 Audit Reports, 1972-1985
f. 7 Bibliographic Guide to Ethnic Resource Center, Center for Great Plains Studies, 1978
f. 8 Biographical Information, Executive Director, Sam Porras, 1972-1975
f. 9 Census (1980), Hispanic data
f. 10 Census (1970), “Spanish Origin” data
f. 11 Census (1970), Characteristics of the Population, Nebraska Statistics
f. 12 Census Data, Population Reports, Nov. 1979
f. 13 College & University Students in Nebraska, List compiled by Mexican-American Comm., 1972
f. 14 CRP917-Planning with Minority and Low Income Groups, Presentation to Dept. of
   Community and Regional Planning Class, UNL, 1980
f. 15 Doane College, Criminal Justice Symposium, 1982
f. 17 Document Translations, 1983-1985
f. 18 Employee Handbook, Mexican American Commission, July 1983
f. 19 Employee Handbook, Mexican American Commission, October 1984
f. 21 Event, Mexican Fiesta, Granada Town Park, Sept. 18, 1976
f. 22 Hispanic Education, 1980-1981
f. 23 Hispanic, Educational Data, 1982
f. 24 Hispanic Employment, 1981
f. 25 Justice, Dept. of, Attorney General Opinions, 1980
f. 26 La Raza, National Council of, 1984
f. 27 Lecture Notes (Misc.), History of Hispanics in Nebraska; Migrant Farm Workers; Demographic Info.
   (no dates)
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Box 2

f. 1 Legislative Issues (total of 11 folders)
   --Statutes, Elections at Large vs. Districts, 1982-1984
   --LB221, Interpreters for Deaf & Non-English Speaking in Court, Mexican American Commission Testimony, 1983
   --LB294, Abolish Mexican American Commission, 1980
   --LB1081, Creation of Mexican American Commission, March 10, 1972
   --LR98, Certification of Court Interpreters, planning materials and data, 1982-1983
   --LR98, Certification of Court Interpreters, 1984
   --LR225, Direct Service Issue, 1980
   --Legislative Resolutions, LR225 and LR226, Scottsbluff and Omaha, 1982
   --Legislation Resolutions Review, 1983

f. 2 Library Resources, 1982

f. 3 Mailing List, Commission Newsletter, 1975

f. 4 Major Accomplishments, Mexican American Commission, 1984

f. 5 Meeting Minutes, Vista Proposal, Feb. 10, 1981

f. 6 Midwest Voter Registration, Education Conference Report, October 1984

f. 7 Migrants, Nebr. Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights Meeting in Scottsbluff, 1976

f. 8 Migrant Farm Workers, photocopies of images/photos in the collections of NSHS, for documentary that was never completed, 1981

f. 9 Minority Business Development Agency, 1984

f. 10 Minority Business Development Grant, City of Omaha, 1982-1983

f. 11 Minority Business Enterprises, 1983-1984

f. 12 Minority Groups in Nebraska, Vocational Education Programs, UNL, 1980

f. 13 Monthly Reports, Research Analyst, Mexican American Commission, July 1982-June 1983


f. 15 News Network Bulletin Newsletter, Mexican American Commission, 1982-1984


f. 17 Newspaper Clippings, 1975

f. 18 Newspaper Clippings, 1976

f. 19 Newspaper Clippings, 1980

f. 20 Newspaper Clippings, 1981

f. 21 Newspaper Clippings, 1982

f. 22 Newspaper Clippings, 1983

f. 23 Newspaper Clippings, 1984

f. 24 Newspaper Clippings, 1985

f. 25 Omaha Public Schools, Research Reports, Elementary and Secondary School Civil Rights Survey, Department of HEW, Title VI, 1972-1973

f. 26 National Hispanic Council on Aging, 1984


f. 28 Organizational Charts, Mexican American Commission, 1972-1985
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Box 3
f. 1 Report—Attitudes Study of Nebraska’s Older Citizens, Southwestern Region, State Commission on Aging, 1978
f. 2 Report—Desegregation: The Chicano in Omaha by Charles J. Alexander (UNO), 1977
f. 3 Report—Educational Project in a Voter Registration Program by Stan Porras, MAC Exec. Director, August 1977
f. 4 Report—Employment in the Panhandle by the Nebraska Advisory Committee, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, Feb. 1981
f. 5 Report—Evaluation of the Chicano Cultural Awareness Program by Ralph F. Grajeda, no date
f. 6 Report—Health Care Situation of Mexican-Americans in Two Nebraska Counties, University of Nebraska Dept. of Political Science, June 1972
f. 7 Report—Hispanic Enrollment and Completion Data in Elementary and Post-secondary Levels, 1981
f. 8 Report—Honors Thesis by Albert Sanchez, Minority Political Recruitment and Policy Outputs, Case of Scottsbluff, Nebraska, 1984
f. 9 Report—Identification of Extent, Type, and Accessibility of Hispanic Data Collected by Departments/Agencies Within the State of Nebraska by N. Steven King, 1980-1981
f. 10 Report—Older Hispanics in Nebraska, 1981
f. 11 Report—Mexican-American Settlement in Omaha by Nina L. Nixon, National Trust for Historic Preservation Intern, August 17, 1979
f. 12 Report—Nevada Hispanic Population, August 1984
f. 13 Report—Social and Attitudinal Correlates of Health Care Among Mexican-Americans by Univ. of Nebraska Dept. of Political Science, 1972
f. 14 Report—Social Educational Needs of Mexican-American Students in Lyman, Nebraska by Rumaldo L. Lovato, Chadron State College, 1974
f. 16 Report—Urban Geography of Chicano Students in Omaha Schools by Diana Stein, 1975
f. 17 Report Synopsis, Western Office, Scottsbluff, Nebraska, Mexican-American Commission, 1974-1980
f. 18 School Dropouts, Nebraska, by Race (data), 1981 thru 1984
f. 19 Scottsbluff, City of and Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska Issue (8 Folders)
   --Hispanic Voter Registration Project, City of Scottsbluff, 1982
   --Statistical Data, Scotts Bluff County, Voter Registration and Hispanics, June 1983
   --Scottsbluff Elections, 1983-1984
   --Scottsbluff Schools, Misc. Information, 1976
   --Hispanic Voter Registration Project Data, Scottsbluff, 1983
   --At-large Election Challenge in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, 1983
   --Report, At-large Elections and Voter Characteristics, City of Scottsbluff and Scotts Bluff County, 1984 (2 copies of this report)
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f. 1 Sociological Questionnaires (Samples), 1978-1979
f. 2 Staff Meetings, 1983-1985
f. 3 Staff Realignment, 1980
f. 4 State Directory Information, Mexican American Commission, 1984
f. 5 Statewide Hispanic Needs Assessment, May 1979
f. 6 Statewide Hispanic Needs Assessment, Steering Committee Meeting, May 1979
f. 7 Statewide Hispanic Needs Assessment, August 1979
f. 8 Statistical Analysis, Agency Requests (by category), 1981
f. 9 Statistical Analysis, Agency Turnover Reports, Personnel, 1978-1985
f. 10 Statistical Analysis, Agency Requests (by category), 1981-1984
f. 11 Statistical Analysis, Agency Requests (by category), 1983-1984
f. 13 Statistical Data/Analysis, Nebraska, ACT Test Scores, 1982
f. 15 Statistical Data, Dept. of Education, County Enrollment by Non-resident (Race, Gender) Status, 1982
f. 17 Statistical Data, Income and Poverty Status for Counties, 1979-1980
f. 18 Statistical Data, Per Capita Income, April 1983
f. 19 Statistical Data, Nebraska Association of Farm Workers, 1983-1984
f. 20 Statistical Data, Nebraska Association of Farm Workers/Migrants, includes Voucher Logs, 1985

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f. 1 UNL, Impact of Urban Political Structures, Proposal to National Science Foundation, 1982
f. 2 Voting and Voter Registration, Misc. Reports and Studies, 1980-1983
f. 3 Voting Rights Act of 1965, Bi-lingual Ballot Issue in Scotts Bluff County by N. Steven King, 1981
f. 4 Workshop, Omaha, Older Hispanics in Omaha, July 30, 1981

Box 6
Events
f. 1 Printed Materials, Forms, and Programs, Hispanic Heritage Month, 2015-2016
f. 2 Hispanic Heritage Month, Essay Contest, 2015 Finalists from Schools, A thru Z
f. 3 Hispanic Heritage Month, Essay Contest, 2016 Finalists from Schools, A thru Z
f. 4 Hispanic Heritage Month, Nomination Awards, Letters of Recommendation, 2016, (Lisa Guill; Linda Garcia Perez; Jose Francisco Garcia; Dr. Brenda Ramero)
f. 5 Programs, Hispanic/Latino Summit, 2014-2016
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LEGAL FILES, 1979-1982 (total of one box)
f. 2  U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska, Miguel G. Ramirez v. The City of Omaha, Civil No. 78-0-193, 1980

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f. 1  Gubernatorial Appointments of Commissioners, 1972-1986
f. 2  Commissioners, Outgoing Correspondence, January 1982-1983
f. 3  Commissioners, Outgoing Correspondence, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984
f. 4  Correspondence, Commissioner Lucy Cullers, 1983-1985
f. 5  Correspondence, Chairperson Clement Aquilar, July 1, 1983-June 30, 1984
f. 6  Correspondence, Chairperson Joe Louie Romero, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985
f. 7  Commissioners, Incoming Correspondence, July 1, 1984-June 30, 1985
f. 8  Commissioners, Outgoing Correspondence, 1984-1985
f. 9  Commission Meetings, 1984
f. 10 Commission Members (listing of and terms of appointment) 1985-1987