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**Urban Appalachian Council
Records, 1974-1978**

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.33 cubic feet

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Institutional History

The Urban Appalachian Council (UAC) was organized in Cincinnati, Ohio to act as a regional center for Appalachians in urban areas. Created in 1974, the UAC began as a response to the growing number of Appalachians migrating from rural areas to urban cities starting in the late 1940s. Committed to cultural pluralism, the organization functions to dispel negative stereotypes placed upon Appalachians and promote pride in the cultural heritage of urban Appalachians. The UAC also works to help urban Appalachians acclimate to city life and become active community leaders. To accomplish the organization's goals, the UAC conducts research projects, helps with community organization, and develops educational programs. The UAC targets Appalachians in lower income urban areas, and the organization's greater center of activism is in the Cincinnati area. The Urban Appalachian Council, as of 2013, continues to work for the betterment of urban Appalachians.

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Scope and Content Note

The collection contains papers distributed by the Urban Appalachian Council (UAC) based out of Cincinnati, OH. The UAC papers present research on the education, social status, health, and economic condition of Appalachian migrants in urban areas, particularly in Ohio. The collection includes three research bulletins, one color coded map showing the distribution of Appalachians in Cincinnati, OH, and four research reports.

In addition, the collection contains four demographic studies from the Ohio Urban Appalachian Awareness Project. They examine the cities of Columbus, Akron, Toledo, and Cleveland in regards to their Appalachian populations. These studies were supported in part by a grant from the Ohio Board of Regents and the Ohio Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

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Folder List

Box 1

Folder 1: Map of estimated Appalachian migrants in Cincinnati, OH

Folder 2: Research bulletins, January-May 1976

Folder 3: Research reports on urban Appalachian migrants

Folder 4: Research reports on settlement patterns of Appalachians in Hamilton County,
Ohio

Folder 5: City survey reports from The Ohio Urban Appalachian Awareness Project

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Subject Headings

Akron (Ohio) – Ethnic relations
Appalachians (People) – Ohio
Appalachian Region – Economic conditions
Appalachian Region – History
Children of internal migrants – Hamilton County – Ohio
Cincinnati (Ohio) – Ethnic relations
Cincinnati (Ohio) – Maps
Cincinnati (Ohio) – Race relations
Cleveland (Ohio) – Ethnic relations
Columbus (Ohio) – Ethnic relations
Demographic surveys – Ohio
Discrimination – Ohio
Ethnic groups – Ohio
Internal migrants
Migration, Internal
Minorities – Ohio
Nonprofit organization – Ohio – Cincinnati
Ohio – Ethnic relations
Ohio Urban Appalachian Awareness Project
Public welfare
Residential mobility – Ohio
Rural-urban migration
Statistical maps
Statistics – Ohio
Stereotypes (Social psychology)
Toledo (Ohio) – Ethnic relations
Urbanization – Ohio
Urban minorities – Ohio
Urban poor – Ohio