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[Waco] Evangelia Settlement Records. Inclusive: 1912-1975, undated, Bulk: 1936-1970

Summary Information

Creator	Evangelia Settlement
Extent (quantity/size)	12 document boxes.
Language	English
Abstract	The [Waco] Evangelia Settlement Records consist of correspondence, legal, financial, literary manuscripts generated by the settlement or written about the settlement along with scrapbooks that contain newspaper clippings and photographs.

Subjects

Benevolence -- Social aspects -- United States. / Day care centers -- Texas. / Nonprofit organizations. / Social settlements -- United States -- History -- 20th century.

Administrative Information

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Scope and Content

The [Waco] Evangelia Settlement Records were acquired by gift in one transaction given by Evangelia Settlement via Nita Ray Martin, 1985 April. This gift consisted of all records related to Evangelia Settlement from its founding until 1970 December 31, including board minutes and financial statements, but excluding those records directly relating to the children.

This collection begins in 1912 and ends in 1975. Legal Documents and Financial Documents are the largest series in the collection. The Legal Documents series contains the incorporation documents for the settlement as well as the Board of Trustees minutes. This series also houses case studies done by Evangelia social workers. The Financial Documents series includes institutional budgets as well as monthly reports on the settlement's income and expenses. The Literary Production Series has newspaper clippings related to Evangelia as well as a contact book. The Scrapbooks series contains two scrapbooks, each primarily composed of clippings.

Administrative/Biographical History

Evangelia Settlement was founded in Waco, Texas in 1907 by Ethel Dickson and Nell Symes. It was first located at the intersection of 13th Street and Webster Street. Evangelia Settlement was chartered by the state of Texas on 1912 June 1 in McLennan County, Texas. It was formed for the purpose of "support of benevolent, charitable, educational and missionary undertakings being purely public in its nature." Evangelia Settlement became the first day care program for underprivileged children in Waco.

Evangelia Settlement was one of eighteen known settlement houses in urban areas of Texas in the early 1900s. Settlement houses were established from the 1890s through the early part of the 1900s primarily by white, young, middle-class men and women who were interested in religious and social concerns. These men and women moved into urban areas of cities and established homes where they lived and worked to improve conditions for residents through financial, material, social, and educational venues. Evangelia Settlement served as a daycare facility and over the years transformed into a neighborhood center. The Settlement served as a venue for community activities such as hosting the first Campfire Girls troop in Waco in 1916 and the first Vacation Bible School in Waco in 1918.

In the late 1960s, through private donations and grants from foundations such as the Cooper Foundation and United Way, Evangelia established the Emergency Baby Cottage to provide long-term care to infants and young children. By the 1970s Evangelia was licensed by the state to care for 147 children up to age twelve and had a lengthy waiting list, according to director Rosemary Painter. In 1985 April, Evangelia Settlement gave the corporate records from its founding until 1970 December 31 to The Texas Collection.

Evangelia Settlement continued to make contributions to the greater Waco community by providing childcare to underprivileged children until 2007, when the organization lost legal standing with the state and closed its doors.

Related Resources

Summary of related Archive materials

[Waco] Evangelia Settlement Records: Tejas Council of Camp Fire Collection contains the records of the group that held their first meeting in Waco at Evangelia Settlement.

Related citations

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Archival Arrangement

The [Waco] Evangelia Settlement Records were organized prior to this finding aid and folders had titles that matched what was inside. Prior to this finding aid a preliminary listing had been completed.

Currently, the [Waco] Evangelia Settlement Records are arranged into six series: I. Correspondence, II. Legal Documents, III. Financial Documents, IV. Literary Productions, V. Photographic Material, and VI. Scrapbooks.

Series 1: Correspondence. 1919-1974, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

This series contains correspondence associated with Evangelia Settlement. This series includes materials to and from the Cooper Foundation about various grant projects, documentation about the planning of the Emergency Baby Cottage, and information about the estate of Charles and Maud E. Hamilton and the bequest they left to Evangelia Settlement.

Item List

Box 1. Folder 1. Correspondence: General, 1919 January-1958 January
 Box 1. Folder 2. Correspondence: General, 1966-1974, undated
 Box 1. Folder 3. Correspondence: Cooper Foundation, 1958 January-April
 Box 1. Folder 4. Correspondence: Cooper Foundation, 1958 May-August
 Box 1. Folder 5. Correspondence: Emergency Baby Cottage, 1966 December-1967 July
 Box 1. Folder 6. Correspondence: Emergency Baby Cottage, 1967 July-October
 Box 1. Folder 7. Correspondence: Emergency Baby Cottage, 1967 October-1968 February
 Box 1. Folder 8. Correspondence: Hamilton Estate, 1939-1957

Series 2: Legal Documents. 1912-1971, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

This series contains articles of incorporation and bylaws for Evangelia Settlement, as well as multiple versions of the Evangelia Settlement Constitution. Also included are the minutes from board of directors' meetings and legal reports about children served by Evangelia Settlement.

Item List

Box 1. Folder 10. Legal: Constitution and By-Laws, 1912
 Box 1. Folder 11. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1914 December-1916 December
 Box 1. Folder 12. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1917 January-1923 December
 Box 1. Folder 13. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1924
 Box 2. Folder 1. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1925 January-1927 September
 Box 2. Folder 2. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1928 February-1929 September
 Box 2. Folder 3. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1929 October-1930 May
 Box 2. Folder 4. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1930 July-November
 Box 2. Folder 5. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1930 December-1934 January
 Box 2. Folder 6. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1934 January-1935 December
 Box 2. Folder 7. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1935 January-December
 Box 2. Folder 8. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1936 February-December
 Box 2. Folder 9. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1937 January-1938 June
 Box 2. Folder 10. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1938 November-1940 January
 Box 2. Folder 11. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1940 February-1941 September
 Box 2. Folder 12. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1941 October-1944 January
 Box 2. Folder 13. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1944 February-1945 September
 Box 2. Folder 14. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1945 October-1946 October
 Box 2. Folder 15. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1946 November-1948 February
 Box 2. Folder 16. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1948 March-November
 Box 2. Folder 17. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1948 December-1949 June
 Box 2. Folder 18. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1949 July-1950 July
 Box 2. Folder 19. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1950 September-1951 December
 Box 2. Folder 20. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1952 January-1953 March
 Box 2. Folder 21. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1953 April-1954 April
 Box 2. Folder 22. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1954 May-1955 April
 Box 2. Folder 23. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1955 May-1956 July
 Box 3. Folder 1. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1956 September-1957 August
 Box 3. Folder 2. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1957 September-1958 October
 Box 3. Folder 3. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1958 November-1959 December
 Box 3. Folder 4. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1960 January-December
 Box 3. Folder 5. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1961 January-1962 February
 Box 3. Folder 6. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1962 March-1963 May
 Box 3. Folder 7. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1963 June-1964 September
 Box 3. Folder 8. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1964 October-1965 May
 Box 3. Folder 9. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1965 June-1966 January
 Box 3. Folder 10. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1966 February-April
 Box 3. Folder 11. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1966 May-July
 Box 3. Folder 12. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1966 July-October
 Box 3. Folder 13. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1966 October-December
 Box 3. Folder 14. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1967 January-February
 Box 3. Folder 15. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1967 March-April
 Box 3. Folder 16. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1967 May-June
 Box 3. Folder 17. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1967 July
 Box 3. Folder 18. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1967 August-October
 Box 3. Folder 19. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1967 November-December
 Box 3. Folder 20. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1968 January
 Box 3. Folder 21. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1968 January-February
 Box 3. Folder 22. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1968 March-April

Box 3. Folder 23. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1968 June-September
 Box 3. Folder 24. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1968 October-November
 Box 3. Folder 25. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1968 December-1969 January
 Box 4. Folder 1. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1969 February-April
 Box 4. Folder 2. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1969 May-June
 Box 4. Folder 3. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1969 July-September
 Box 4. Folder 4. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, 1969 October-December
 Box 4. Folder 5. Legal: Minutes: Board of Directors, undated
 Box 4. Folder 6. Legal: Reports: Children, 1926-1930
 Box 4. Folder 7. Legal: Reports: Children, 1930
 Box 4. Folder 8. Legal: Reports: Children, 1930-1933

Series 3: Financial Documents. 1922-1969, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

The Financial Document series contains monthly financial reports from Evangelia Settlement that detail monthly expenses and income and provide insight into the activities of the organization during that time. Also included are passbooks, ledgers, audit paperwork and invoices.

Item List

Box 4. Folder 9. Financial: Audits, 1933-1944
 Box 4. Folder 10. Financial: Audits, 1947-1953
 Box 4. Folder 11. Financial: Audits, 1954-1956
 Box 4. Folder 12. Financial: Audits, 1956
 Box 4. Folder 13. Financial: Audits, 1957
 Box 4. Folder 14. Financial: Audits, 1957-1958
 Box 4. Folder 15. Financial: Audits, 1960-1961
 Box 4. Folder 16. Financial: Audits, 1962-1964
 Box 4. Folder 17. Financial: Audits, 1965-1966
 Box 4. Folder 18. Financial: Audits, 1967
 Box 4. Folder 19. Financial: Audits, 1968-1969
 Box 4. Folder 20. Financial: Bank Pass Books, 1922-1932
 Box 4. Folder 21. Financial: Budgets, 1933-1939
 Box 4. Folder 22. Financial: Budgets: (1 of 2), 1963
 Box 4. Folder 23. Financial: Budgets: (2 of 2), 1963
 Box 5. Folder 1. Financial: Budgets: (1 of 3), 1964
 Box 5. Folder 2. Financial: Budgets: (2 of 3), 1964
 Box 5. Folder 3. Financial: Budgets: (3 of 3), 1964
 Box 5. Folder 4. Financial: Budgets: (1 of 4), 1965
 Box 5. Folder 5. Financial: Budgets: (2 of 4), 1965
 Box 5. Folder 6. Financial: Budgets: (3 of 4), 1965
 Box 5. Folder 7. Financial: Budgets: (4 of 4), 1965
 Box 5. Folder 8. Financial: Budgets: (1 of 4), 1967
 Box 5. Folder 9. Financial: Budgets: (2 of 4), 1967
 Box 5. Folder 10. Financial: Budgets: (3 of 4), 1967
 Box 5. Folder 11. Financial: Budgets: (4 of 4), 1967
 Box 5. Folder 12. Financial: Budgets: (1 of 4), 1968
 Box 5. Folder 13. Financial: Budgets: (2 of 4), 1968
 Box 5. Folder 14. Financial: Budgets: (3 of 4), 1968
 Box 5. Folder 15. Financial: Budgets: (4 of 4), 1968
 Box 5. Folder 16. Financial: Budgets: (1 of 6), 1969
 Box 5. Folder 17. Financial: Budgets: (2 of 6), 1969
 Box 5. Folder 18. Financial: Budgets: (3 of 6), 1969
 Box 5. Folder 19. Financial: Budgets: (4 of 6), 1969
 Box 5. Folder 20. Financial: Budgets: (5 of 6), 1969
 Box 5. Folder 21. Financial: Budgets: (6 of 6), 1969
 Box 6. Folder 1. Financial: Invoices: (1 of 3), 1958, undated
 Box 6. Folder 2. Financial: Invoices: (2 of 3), 1958, undated
 Box 6. Folder 3. Financial: Invoices: (3 of 3), 1958, undated
 Box 6. Folder 4. Financial: Invoices, 1958
 Box 6. Folder 5. Financial: Invoices, 1958-1968
 Box 6. Folder 6. Financial: Invoices: (1 of 3), 1968
 Box 6. Folder 7. Financial: Invoices: (2 of 3), 1968
 Box 6. Folder 8. Financial: Invoices: (3 of 3), 1968
 Box 6. Folder 9. Financial: Invoices, 1968-1969
 Box 6. Folder 10. Financial: Invoices, 1970-1977
 Box 6. Folder 11. Financial: Ledger: Evangelia Settlement Treasurer, 1932-1943
 Box 6. Folder 12. Financial: Ledger: Evangelia Settlement Treasurer, 1943-1952
 Box 6. Folder 13. Financial: Ledger: Evangelia Settlement Treasurer: Loose Materials, 1952-1963
 Box 7. Folder 1. Financial: Reports, 1923-1926
 Box 7. Folder 2. Financial: Reports, 1927
 Box 7. Folder 3. Financial: Reports, 1928
 Box 7. Folder 4. Financial: Reports: (1 of 4), 1929
 Box 7. Folder 5. Financial: Reports: (2 of 4), 1929
 Box 7. Folder 6. Financial: Reports: (3 of 4), 1929
 Box 7. Folder 7. Financial: Reports: (4 of 4), 1929
 Box 7. Folder 8. Financial: Reports, 1930
 Box 7. Folder 9. Financial: Reports: (1 of 3), 1931
 Box 7. Folder 10. Financial: Reports: (2 of 3), 1931
 Box 7. Folder 11. Financial: Reports: (3 of 3), 1931
 Box 7. Folder 12. Financial: Reports: (1 of 4), 1932
 Box 7. Folder 13. Financial: Reports: (2 of 4), 1932
 Box 7. Folder 14. Financial: Reports: (3 of 4), 1932
 Box 7. Folder 15. Financial: Reports: (4 of 4), 1932
 Box 7. Folder 16. Financial: Reports: (1 of 5), 1933
 Box 7. Folder 17. Financial: Reports: (2 of 5), 1933
 Box 7. Folder 18. Financial: Reports: (3 of 5), 1933

Box 7. Folder 19. Financial: Reports: (4 of 5), 1933
 Box 7. Folder 20. Financial: Reports: (5 of 5), 1933
 Box 8. Folder 1. Financial: Reports: (1 of 5), 1934
 Box 8. Folder 2. Financial: Reports: (2 of 5), 1934
 Box 8. Folder 3. Financial: Reports: (3 of 5), 1934
 Box 8. Folder 4. Financial: Reports: (4 of 5), 1934
 Box 8. Folder 5. Financial: Reports: (5 of 5), 1934
 Box 8. Folder 6. Financial: Reports: (1 of 6), 1935
 Box 8. Folder 7. Financial: Reports: (2 of 6), 1935
 Box 8. Folder 8. Financial: Reports: (3 of 6), 1935
 Box 8. Folder 9. Financial: Reports: (4 of 6), 1935
 Box 8. Folder 10. Financial: Reports: (5 of 6), 1935
 Box 8. Folder 11. Financial: Reports: (6 of 6), 1935
 Box 8. Folder 12. Financial: Reports: (1 of 5), 1936
 Box 8. Folder 13. Financial: Reports: (2 of 5), 1936
 Box 8. Folder 14. Financial: Reports: (3 of 5), 1936
 Box 8. Folder 15. Financial: Reports: (4 of 5), 1936
 Box 8. Folder 16. Financial: Reports: (5 of 5), 1936
 Box 8. Folder 17. Financial: Reports: (1 of 6), 1937
 Box 8. Folder 18. Financial: Reports: (2 of 6), 1937
 Box 8. Folder 19. Financial: Reports: (3 of 6), 1937
 Box 8. Folder 20. Financial: Reports: (4 of 6), 1937
 Box 8. Folder 21. Financial: Reports: (5 of 6), 1937
 Box 8. Folder 22. Financial: Reports: (6 of 6), 1937
 Box 8. Folder 23. Financial: Reports: (1 of 3), 1938
 Box 8. Folder 24. Financial: Reports: (2 of 3), 1938
 Box 8. Folder 25. Financial: Reports: (3 of 3), 1938
 Box 9. Folder 1. Financial: Reports: (1 of 3), 1939
 Box 9. Folder 2. Financial: Reports: (2 of 3), 1939
 Box 9. Folder 3. Financial: Reports: (3 of 3), 1939
 Box 9. Folder 4. Financial: Reports, 1944
 Box 9. Folder 5. Financial: Reports: (1 of 4), 1957
 Box 9. Folder 6. Financial: Reports: (2 of 4), 1957
 Box 9. Folder 7. Financial: Reports: (3 of 4), 1957
 Box 9. Folder 8. Financial: Reports: (4 of 4), 1957
 Box 9. Folder 9. Financial: Reports, 1962
 Box 9. Folder 10. Financial: Reports, 1962-1969
 Box 9. Folder 11. Financial: Reports, undated

Series 4: Literary Productions. 1920-1971, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

The Literary Production series contains literary reports, printed material, clippings, and three books related to Evangelia Settlement. Reports in this series are primarily related to the board, various fundraisers, the Cooper Foundation and former director Anne Garrett. The book subseries includes a yearbook produced by the Board of Directors, a guestbook signed by visitors to Evangelia Settlement, and a contact book compiled by social workers.

Item List

Box 9. Folder 12. Literary: General, 1959-1967, undated
 Box 9. Folder 13. Literary: Reports: Cooper Foundation, 1957-1959
 Box 9. Folder 14. Literary: Reports: Cooper Foundation, 1966-1968
 Box 9. Folder 15. Literary: Reports: Cooper Foundation, 1968-1969
 Box 9. Folder 16. Literary: Reports: Cooper Foundation, 1969-1970
 Box 9. Folder 17. Literary: Reports: Cooper Foundation, 1970-1971
 Box 10. Folder 1. Literary: Reports: Board Members, 1926-1966
 Box 10. Folder 2. Literary: Reports: Board Members, 1966-1970
 Box 10. Folder 3. Literary: Reports: Anne Garrett, 1960-1965, undated
 Box 10. Folder 4. Literary: Reports: Title IV-A Funds: (1 of 2), 1972
 Box 10. Folder 5. Literary: Reports: Title IV-A Funds: (2 of 2), 1972
 Box 10. Folder 6. Literary: Reports: Action Planning Council: (1 of 4), 1962
 Box 10. Folder 7. Literary: Reports: Action Planning Council: (2 of 4), 1962
 Box 10. Folder 8. Literary: Reports: Action Planning Council: (3 of 4), 1962
 Box 10. Folder 9. Literary: Reports: Action Planning Council: (4 of 4), 1962
 Box 10. Folder 10. Literary: Reports: Action Planning Council, 1964-1965
 Box 10. Folder 11. Literary: Reports: Action Planning Council, undated
 Box 10. Folder 12. Literary: Books: Contact Book, 1960-1962
 Box 10. Folder 13. Literary: Books: Guest Book, 1959-1971, undated
 Box 11. Folder 1. Literary: Books: Yearbook: Board of Directors, 1948-1956
 Box 11. Folder 2. Literary: Books: Yearbook: Board of Directors, 1956-1959
 Box 11. Folder 3. Literary: Books: Yearbook: Board of Directors, 1960-1964
 Box 11. Folder 4. Literary: Printed Materials: History, 1920, undated
 Box 11. Folder 5. Literary: Printed Materials: History, undated
 Box 11. Folder 6. Literary: Printed Materials: Budget Manual, 1955-1956
 Box 11. Folder 7. Literary: Printed Materials: YES for Youth Building Fund, 1956-1974
 Box 11. Folder 8. Literary: Printed Materials: Buildings, 1953-1966
 Box 11. Folder 9. Literary: Printed Materials: Real Estate, 1954-1967
 Box 11. Folder 10. Literary: Clippings, 1960-1974
 Box 11. Folder 11. Literary: Clippings, 1974-1976
 Box 11. Folder 12. Literary: Clippings: (1 of 3), undated
 Box 11. Folder 13. Literary: Clippings: (2 of 3), undated
 Box 11. Folder 14. Literary: Clippings: (3 of 3), undated

Series 5: Photographic Materials. 1975, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

The Photographic Material series contains photographs related to Evangelia Settlement. The majority of the pictures are of the children who went to Evangelia Settlement. The photographs are grouped by type and include depictions of children at the playground, indoors, and during meal times. There are also photographs from Christmas and other special events.

Item List

Box 12. Folder 1. Photographs: Children at Playground, undated
Box 12. Folder 2. Photographs: Individual Children, 1975, undated
Box 12. Folder 3. Photographs: Children and Indoor Activities, undated
Box 12. Folder 4. Photographs: Children at Meal, undated
Box 12. Folder 5. Photographs: Children with Guests at Meal, undated
Box 12. Folder 6. Photographs: Christmas and Special Events, undated
Box 12. Folder 7. Photographs: General, undated

Series 6: Scrapbooks. 1936-1942, undated**Administrative/Biographical History**

The Scrapbooks series contains two scrapbooks. Both scrapbooks consist primarily of newspaper clippings. One scrapbook has a drawing of the floor plan for the Emergency Baby Cottage. The other scrapbook has a page with three photographs of children at a Christmas event.

Item List

Box 12. Folder 8. Scrapbooks: (1 of 3), 1936-1942, undated
Box 12. Folder 9. Scrapbooks: (2 of 3), 1936-1942, undated
Box 12. Folder 10. Scrapbooks: (3 of 3), 1936-1942, undated
Box 12. Folder 11. Scrapbooks: (1 of 2), undated
Box 12. Folder 12. Scrapbooks: (2 of 2), undated