

**Title:** Milwaukee County House of Correction Records

**Reference Code:** Mss-0727

**Inclusive Dates:** 1873-1991

**Quantity:** 1.6 cu. ft. total

**Location:** BV, Sh. 376 (0.8 cu. ft.)  
BV, Sh. 32 (0.2 cu. ft.)  
LC. 16 (0.6 cu. ft.)

**Abstract:** Prior to 1865, the Milwaukee County House of Correction was known as the House of Refugees. It was renamed the Milwaukee County House of Correction in 1865. In 1878 the House of Correction established a partnership with a chair factory in which inmates built furniture as part of their rehabilitation. House of Correction officials purchased additional land in 1903 and relocated the facility to the town of Franklin. By 1951, it housed 5,572 inmates.

**Scope and Content:** The records consist of rules and regulations manuals; inmate population census reports; annual reports; prisoner registers; construction reports; and miscellaneous files (blueprints 1914).

**Access and Use:** No restrictions

**Language:** English

**Arrangement:**

<b>Box 1</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Newsletters and Clippings	1
Reports Miscellaneous – Construction Report, 1912 – Superintendent response to Hiller Report, 1947	2
Dedication of Activity Center, 1988	3
Annual Reports: 1931-1934; 1939-1950; 1952-1959; 1961-1968	Loose in Box
<b>Box 2</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Annual Reports: 1873, 1877-1879, 1882,1887, 1896-1901, 1905, 1907-1931	Loose in Box
<i>Rules and Regulations and Laws of Wisconsin: Relating to the Duties of Officers of the Milwaukee County House of Correction</i>	Loose in Box
Rules and Information Handbook, WI State Prison, 1965	Loose in Box
<b>Ledgers:</b>	
Prisoner registers 1897-1901, 1935-1937	LC, Sh. 16
Discharges 1934-36	LC, Sh. 16

