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**Abstract:** Milwaukee County has provided relief services to residents since 1835, and the various relief programs expanded dramatically in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century. In the 1950s, the various county relief systems in Milwaukee were unified under the control of the Board of Public Welfare.

**Scope and Content:** The collection consists of monthly and case load reports, correspondence, financial statements, statistical reports and other ephemera.

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