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 worked building 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: Chronological order 1873-1968

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

Discharges 1934-36	LC, Sh. 16
Blueprints:	
1914	BV, Sh. 32