

Title: Parklawn Collection

Reference Code: Mss-1237

Inclusive Dates: 1936, 2003

Quantity: 0.3 cu. ft.

Location: GV, Sh. 028
OS SM "P" (2 items)

Abstract: Parklawn—located on Milwaukee’s northwest side, bounded by Sherman Boulevard, 47th Street, Congress Street and Hope Avenue—was a Great Depression-era project in the Public Works Administration’s slum clearance and low-rent housing program. It was initiated by the Milwaukee Board of Public Land Commissions and sponsored by the Milwaukee Advisory Committee. The project was successful in its first few decades, but the buildings and infrastructure deteriorated over time. In 1998, Milwaukee’s Housing Authority received a federal grant to revitalize Parklawn.

Scope and Content: The collection includes two binders, one with photos and information regarding the Parklawn project and its historic preservation and the other with photos related to the Wisconsin Federal Art Program at Parklawn. Two project planning documents are located in the oversize material.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English

Notes: The binders were donated by City of Milwaukee Housing Authority, February 2003.