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Mountain Fund fonds

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Summary information

Repository: York University Archives & Special Collections (CTASC)

Title: Mountain Fund fonds

ID: F0121

Date: 1979-1994 (date of creation)

Physical description: 0.90 m of textual records

139 photographs

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

The Mountain Fund to Help Save the Boat People was founded in 1979 by John Smith, a Christian politician in Hamilton, Ontario in response to the plight of the Vietnamese refugees who fled communist rule in their country in boats to neighbouring countries. Supported by local Hamilton-Wentworth citizens, the Mountain Fund sponsored hundreds of Vietnamese refugees in the 1980s and assisted them in integrating into Canadian society quickly. The Mountain Fund aid extended beyond the crisis and continued to help the Vietnamese in refugee camps into the 1990s.

Custodial history

The Centre for Refugee Studies, York University, received the records from John Smith, President of the Mountain Fund, and transferred them to York University Archives in 1995.

Scope and content

Fonds consists of records of the Mountain Fund pertaining to its activities, helping Vietnamese refugees in coming to Hamilton, Ontario. The fonds includes minutes of the Board of Directors, correspondence, financial records, publications and photographic materials.

Notes

Title notes

Restrictions on access

No restrictions on access.

Finding aids

A .pdf file list is attached to this description.

Accruals

The fonds comprises the following accession: 1995-038. Further accruals may be expected.

Other notes

Publication status: Published

• Level of detail: Full

• Status description: Final

Access points

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Graphic material (documentary form)
- Immigration (subject)
- Hamilton (place)

Collection holdings