



## Guide to the Jack Anderson Professional Papers on Operation Life

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Anderson, Jack Francis, 1940-
<b>Title:</b>	Jack Anderson Professional Papers on Operation Life
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00795
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1969 to 1989
<b>Physical Description:</b>	2.25 Linear Feet (4 boxes)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1 Digital Files (0.025 GB) MP4
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Materials in this collection (1969-1989) document various endeavors of the Operation Life organization. They include original correspondence, meeting minutes, news clippings, medical programs, grant applications, legal and financial documents, brochures and pamphlets, and other materials that provide context on the kinds of services provided by Operation Life. These files were kept by Jack Anderson in the course of his work as attorney for Operation Life.

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## Biographical Note

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Attorney Jack Anderson was one of the lawyers who handled legal issues for Operation Life, the Westside community organization founded by welfare rights activist Ruby Duncan. The organization aided residents in housing, health services, food, education, job training, day care for working mothers, and general economic development. A former card dealer, Anderson, a caucasian, graduated from the historically black Howard Law School, and began work with his friend Mahlon Brown III, for Clark County Legal Services in the early 1970s. He also played a large

role in Operation Nevada, which was an enormous legal challenge in the state's efforts to remove large numbers of residents from the welfare rolls in the early 1970s.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials are arranged chronologically.

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## Administrative Information

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### Acquisition Note

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## Processing Note

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## Names and Subjects

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- Health care reform -- Nevada
  - Health service areas -- Nevada -- Clark County
  - Westside (Las Vegas, Nev.)
  - West Las Vegas (Nev) Library
  - Operation Life Community Development Corporation (Las Vegas, Nev.)
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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
General files	
Report on the Eligibility of Families Receiving Aid and to Families with Dependent Children in Nevada, 1970 December	box 01
Budgets, 1970 to 1973	box 01
Letters of endorsement, 1972	box 01
Meeting minutes, 1972	box 01
Quarterly progress report, 1972 December	box 01
Articles of Incorporation, 1972 to 1973 Physical Description: 2 Items	box 01
Referrals, 1973 August to 1975 August	box 01
Renovation Contract Resolution, 1973	box 01
Rehabilitation schedule, 1975	box 01
Report to First Western Savings and Loan, 1975 March 25	box 01
Overall Economic Development plan, 1978	box 01
Ruby Duncan biography and tribute, 1979	box 01
Annual report, 1980	box 01
In-Fill Housing Administration Plan, 1981 May 01	box 01

Agreement between the Operation Life Community Development Corporation and Las Vegas, Nevada, 1982 August 11	box 01
Mortgage plan, 1985 November 05	box 01
Action Plan from special Board of Directors meeting, 1986 December 15	box 01
Site visit report, 1986 August 19 to 1986 August 20	box 01
Senior Citizens Corporation materials, 1988	box 01
Community Development Corporation, board and staff retreat, 1989 September 8-9	box 01
Blank Stationary, undated	box 01
Dream Keepers, 1970 to Forever: digital video, 2013 Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.025 GB) MP4  Scope and Contents Note: Digital video contains a message from Ruby Duncan an an older slide show with voice over describing the history of Operation Life. The video was produced by Jack Anderson and John Dombrink.	digital file 00
"Welfare is a Right," Aid to Dependent Children (ADC) Handbook, undated	box 01
Rights to welfare in Nevada, resources and summaries, undated	box 01
Summary of events leading to the welfare crisis in Nevada, undated	box 01
Amended interview form, undated	box 01
Participants in Operation Nevada, undated	box 01
List of Programs, undated	box 01
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Campaign for Human Development proposals, 1973- 1974 February	box 02
The Max C. Fleischman Foundation proposal for funding a childcare program, 1974	box 02
Planning grant application, 1975	box 02
Request for funding under the Urban Health Initiative Project, 1978	box 02
Refunding Proposal and Action Plan, 1981 fiscal year	box 02
Notice of grant award, 1981 December 31	box 02
Community Development Corporation In-Fill Housing Proposal, 1982 June	box 02

Discretionary Funds Proposal to Expand the Physical Facility, 1986 March	box 02
Grants Administration Manual, 1986	box 02
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Medical Center and other medical issues	
Community Health Center, Incorporated projected operating budget, 1973 August	box 03
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<i>Community Press</i> newsletter, 1973 to 1974	box 04
Correspondence, 1985 to 1989	box 04
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Newspaper clippings, 1969 to 1976	box 04
National Welfare Rights Organization (NWRO) convention correspondence, 1973	box 04
NWRO bulletins and newsletters, 1971 to 1974	box 04