NOTE: This collection is housed with the Kansas City Museum Archives, located at Union Station.

C313: AIDS SERVICE FOUNDATION
Records; 1992-2009
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Background: In 1992, leaders from the four primary AIDS service organizations in Kansas City: Kansas City Free Health Clinic, SAVE Inc., Good Samaritan Project and HARC Mart joined together to create a cooperative fundraising strategy. Putting aside organizational agendas, these leaders formed the AIDS Service Foundation of Greater Kansas City. Each founding organization made an initial funding commitment to the foundation and placed two representatives on the board to serve with a diverse group of at-large directors from the Kansas City community. In 2006, HARC Mart closed its doors and Hope Care Center was brought in as a primary beneficiary. Since its founding, the ASF has held a number of different types of fundraising events, most notably AIDSWalk (1992 – present), Ribbon of Hope dinner (1994 – 2003), and Arts Audiences Against AIDS (1993-1995). The Foundation also sponsors annual Worlds AIDS Day events on or around December 1st. The AIDS Service Foundation Collection is a part of the Gay and Lesbian Archive of Mid-America, a collecting partnership between the Kansas City Museum, LaBudde Special Collections at the University of Missouri – Kansas City Libraries, and Jackson County Historical Society. The collection was donated in April of 2011.

Scope and Content: Collection consists of correspondence, minutes, and financial paperwork of the Foundation as well as files related to its three major fundraisers: Arts Audiences Against AIDS, Ribbon of Hope, and AIDSWalk.

Notes on Arrangement: Some photographs were removed and filed in the Kansas City Museum Archives’ photo collection. This collection has been grouped into two series: Board of Directors, Fundraising.

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