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Summary information

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Scope and content

The Power U Center for Social Change Records document the history and actions of the local grassroots organization. Power U was co-founded by Denise Perry, a long-time community organizer who has focused on developing grassroots leaders and supporting local community organizations throughout her career. Since its founding, Power U has been involved in securing and defending the rights of low income, inner city residents. Campaigns have been organized to achieve a number of goals, with a focus on South Florida. The group has been a major force for anti-gentrification activism in the Overtown area of Miami, while also seeking to improve the quality of life for residents in Overtown and other inner city neighborhoods. Major campaigns have included efforts to fight discrimination against students of color in Miami-Dade County Public Schools, organizing to raise awareness of environmental health issues in Miami's inner city neighborhoods, and ensuring the rights for all citizens to find affordable housing.

Notes

Title notes

Arrangement

The collection has been organized into 8 series:

1. Workshop and Training Materials
2. Campaign Materials
3. Administrative Files
4. Photographs
5. Publications
6. Subject Files
7. Audio/Visual Materials

8. Oversized Materials

9. Power U for Social Change Web Collection

The series are described in more detail in the container list portion of the finding aid.

Restrictions on access

This collection is open for research.

Related material

Power U Center for Social Change Website

Information about related materials is available at <http://poweru.org/about-us/>

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
- **Description identifier:** ArchonInternalCollectionID:1479

Access points

- Community development, Urban (subject)
- Housing (subject)
- Nonprofit organizations (subject)
- Miami (Florida) -- Politics and government (place)
- Miami (Florida) -- Race relations (place)
- Overtown (Miami, Fla.) (place)

Series descriptions

Series id178647: Workshop and Training Materials

Scope and content:

This series documents the grassroots training offered by Power U. As a community-owned organization, Power U has been active in training residents to organize on their own behalf, to protect their rights and improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
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id178648	File -		1
id178649	File - Building a Campaign Workshop	2004	1 1
id178650	File - Center for Community Change Workshop and Tour	2004	1 2
id178651	File - College of Leadership Spring 2007 Facilitator Copy		1 3
id178652	File - Community Organizing Training	2001, 2009	1 4
id178653	File - Membership Retreat	2010	1 5
id178654	File - Miscellaneous Training and Workshop Files	1999 - 2002	1 6
id178655	File - Miscellaneous Training and Workshop Files	2002 - 2006	1 7
id178656	File - Network Unity Trip	2003	1 8
id178657	File - Phat Tuesday Workshop Series	2003	1 9
id178658	File - Power Network Gatherings	2003	1 10
id178659	File - Power Network Mission Statement	2002	1 11
id178660	File - Power Network Session Records 1 - 5	2001 - 2002	1 12
id178661	File - Power Network Session Records 6 - 10	2002 - 2003	1 13
id178662	File - Power University Community Building Journeyman Program	2004 - 2005	1 14
id178663	File - Power University Files	2004	1 15
id178664	File - Power University Saturday School Sessions, January, March - June 2004		1 16
id178665	File - Power University Saturday School Sessions, June - September 2004		1 17
id178666	File - Power University Saturday School Sessions, October 2004 - May 2005		1 18
id178667	File - Retreats	2001 - 2005	1 19
id178668	File - Transforming Lives and Communities Workshop	n.d.	1 20
id178669	File - Workshop Follow-Ups / Evaluation	2001	1 21
id178670	File - Palm Beach County Training	2003	1 22
id178671	File - USSF Workshop	2007	1 23

Series id179061: Campaign Materials

Scope and content:

This series documents the campaigns that Power U and their supporters have organized. Major efforts have included opposing gentrification efforts in Overtown, improving the quality of life for inner city residents, the building of a noise wall along the Florida Turnpike, and protecting the rights of students of color in Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id179062	File -			1

id179064	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Ally Endorsements	2005-2006	1 1
id179065	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Assorated Materials	2001, 2004-2007	1 2
id179066	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Assorted Materials	2005-2007	1 3
id179067	File - Crosswinds Development Project: City of Miami Meeting Agendas/Minutes	2004-2007	1 4
id179068	File - Crosswinds Development Project: CEI Investment Corporation Materials	n.d.	1 5
id179069	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Concerns of Overtown Residents Submitted to Planning Advisory Board, June 21, 2006		1 6
id179070	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Correspondence	2005-2007	1 7
id179071	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Crosswinds Detroit Materials	2001, 2006	1 8
id179072	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Flyers	2005-2006	1 9
id179073	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Legal Files	2005-2008	1 10
id179074	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Memoranda	2005, 2008	1 11
id179075	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Overtown Station Area Redevelopment Feasibility Report	n.d.	1 12
id179076	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Overtown Station Area Redevelopment Final Environmental Impact Statement	1982	1 13
id179077	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Overtown Station Area Redevelopment Reports	2006	1 14
id179078	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Petitions	2007	1 15
id179079	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Petitions	2007	1 16
id179080	File - Crosswinds Development Project: Press Releases	2007	1 17
id179081	File - Environmental Health/Justice	2004-2005	1 18
id179082	File - Miami-Dade Housing Agency	2004, 2006	1 19
id179083	File - Noise Evaluation (Neighborhoods in Action): Correspondence	2000, 2003	1 20
id179084	File - Noise Evaluation (Neighborhoods in Action): Feasibility Studies & Reports	1997-2003	1 21
id179085	File - Noise Evaluation (Neighborhoods in Action): Newsletter	2001	1 22
id179063	File -		2
id180413	File - I-95 Overtown Ramp	2001-2006	2 1
id180414	File - Rat Campaign	n.d.	2 2
id180415	File - Operation Urban Recovery (O.U.R.): Correspondence	2006	2 3
id180416	File - Operation Urban Recovery (O.U.R.): Feasibility Studies & Reports	2004-2005	2 4

id180417	File - Operation Urban Recovery (O.U.R): Flyers	2004	2 5
id180418	File - Operation Urban Recovery (O.U.R): Press Pack	2004	2 6
id180419	File - Operation Urban Recovery (O.U.R): Toxic Tour	2004	2 7
id180420	File - Parents in Action: Correspondence	2004	2 8
id180421	File - Parents in Action: Flyers	2003	2 9
id180422	File - Parents in Action: Sign Up Sheets	n.d.	2 10
id180423	File - Parents in Action - Environmental Justice: Activities/Meetings File	2002-2004; 2011-2012	2 11
id180424	File - Parents/People of Color	2004-2005	2 12
id180425	File - Renter's Majority Project: Correspondence	2009	2 13
id180426	File - Renter's Majority Project: Feasibility Studies & Reports	n.d.	2 14
id180427	File - Renter's Majority Report: Flyers	2009	2 15
id180428	File - Residents in Action for Safety and Health (R.A.S.H): Agendas/Meetings	2003	2 16
id180429	File - Residents in Action for Safety and Health (R.A.S.H): Correspondence	2003-2004	2 17
id180430	File - Residents in Action for Safety and Health (R.A.S.H): Miscellaneous	2002-2003	2 18
id180431	File - Residents in Action for Safety and Health (R.A.S.H): Petitions	2003-2004	2 19
id180432	File - Residents in Action for Safety and Health (R.A.S.H): Research Files	1999-2004	2 20
id180433	File - Residents in Action for Safety and Health (R.A.S.H): Rodent Abatement Programs	2002-2004	2 21
id180434	File - Restorative Justice in Schools: Feasibility Studies & Reports	2007	2 22
id180435	File - Restorative Justice in Schools: Flyers	n.d.	2 23
id180436	File - Restorative Justice in Schools: Petitions	n.d.	2 24
id180437	File - Right to the City	2007-2010	2 25
id180438	File - Root Cause- Global Justice From the Grassroots: Community Impact Reports	2003-2004	2 26
id180439	File - Root Cause- Global Justice From the Grassroots: Meetings & Agendas	n.d.	2 27
id180440	File - Royal Palm Communities Campaign	2005	2 28
id180441	File - UM Life Sciences Park	2008, 2010	2 29
id180442	File - Wagner Creek	2002-2005	2 30

Series id180479: Administrative Files

Scope and content:

This series contains correspondence, meeting files, organizational charts, and other documents of an administrative nature.

<u>Publication status:</u>				
Published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id180480	File -			1
id180481	File - Correspondence	2003-2008		1 1
id180482	File - Declaration Forms	n.d.		1 2
id180483	File - Declaration Forms	n.d.		1 3
id180484	File - Essie Silva Memorial Fund Grant	2005		1 4
id180485	File - Events Ephemera	2000s		1 5
id180486	File - Fundraising Meetings	2009-2010		1 6
id180487	File - Job and Committee Descriptions	n.d.		1 7
id180488	File - Meeting Files and Agendas	2002-2003, 2008		1 8
id180489	File - Membership Forms/Applications	n.d.		1 9
id180490	File - Michelle Spence-Jones Meeting	2006		1 10
id180491	File - Miscellaneous Administrative Files	2000-2006; 2012		1 11
id180492	File - Mission Statements/Organizational Profile	2003; 2006		1 12
id180493	File - Organizational Charts	n.d.		1 13
id180494	File - Organizational Planning	2003-2005		1 14
id180495	File - PAB Meeting: June	2006		1 15
id180496	File - Power U Board Correspondence	2002-2004		1 16
id180497	File - Power U Notebook	1997; 2000; 2007		1 17
id180498	File - Power U Steering Committee Transition Meetings	2002		1 18
id180499	File - Press Releases	2004-2005		1 19
id180500	File - Program Survey	2007		1 20
id180501	File - Staff Retreat	2007		1 21
Series id180624: Photographs				
<u>Scope and content:</u>				
The photographs in this series capture many of the campaigns of the organization in action. Also included are photos of training workshops, and other Power U events.				
<u>Publication status:</u>				
Published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id184938	File -			1
id184942	File - Photograph Album	n.d.		1 1
id184943	File - Photograph Album	n.d.		1 2
id184939	File -			2

id185111	File - Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Protest	n.d.	2 1
id185112	File - Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Protest	n.d.	2 2
id185113	File - Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Protest	n.d.	2 3
id185114	File - Miamians Working Together Training	2002	2 4
id185115	File - Miamians Working Together Workshop 1	2002	2 5
id185116	File - Miamians Working Together Workshop 2	2002	2 6
id185117	File - Parents in Action Grand Opening	n.d.	2 7
id185118	File - Parents in Action Protest	2001	2 8
id185119	File - Park Party and Meeting	1999	2 9
id185120	File - Power U Alliance Training South	n.d.	2 10
id185121	File - Power U Holiday Party	2001	2 11
id185122	File - Power University Photo Album: Allapattah Mini Park Project	n.d.	2 12
id185123	File - Power University Photo Album: Allapattah Mini Park Project	n.d.	2 13
id185133	File - Power University Photo Album: Anti-War Demonstration, n.d.		2 14
id185124	File - Power University Photo Album: Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Protest	n.d.	2 15
id185125	File - Power University Photo Album: I-95 Wall Construction	n.d.	2 16
id185126	File - Power University Photo Album: Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	2 17
id185127	File - Power University Photo Album: Neighborhoods in Action News Coverage	n.d.	2 18
id185128	File - Power University Photo Album: Parents in Action Protest and Press Conference	n.d.	2 19
id185129	File - Power University Photo Album: Park Opening Celebration	n.d.	2 20
id185130	File - Power University Photo Album: Power Network Meeting	n.d.	2 21
id185131	File - Power University Photo Album: Power Network Meeting	n.d.	2 22
id185132	File - Site Photographs	n.d.	2 23
id184940	File -		3
id185134	File - Bhopal Action	2000	3 1
id185135	File - Bhopal Incident and Environmental Justice	n.d.	3 2
id185136	File - Expressway Wall Construction	n.d.	3 3
id185137	File - Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) Press Conference	2003	3 4
id185138	File - Garage Sale Fundraiser	2003	3 5
id185139	File - Miamians Working Together Training	2002	3 6
id185140	File - Postcards	n.d.	3 7

id185141	File - Power U Annual Members Meeting	2003	3 8
id185142	File - Power U Annual Members Meeting	2003	3 9
id185143	File - Power U Annual Members Meeting	2003	3 10
id185144	File - Power U Annual Members Meeting	2003	3 11
id185145	File - Power U Holiday Celebration and Auction	2002	3 12
id185146	File - Power U Holiday Celebration and Auction	2002	3 13
id185147	File - Power U Holiday Celebration and Auction	2003	3 14
id185148	File - Power University Saturday School	2004	3 15
id185149	File - Root Cause and Power U Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) Protest	2003	3 16
id185150	File - Root Cause and Power U Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) Protest	2003	3 17
id185151	File - Root Cause Solidarity with CIW Protest	2004	3 18
id185152	File - Wagner Creek	2004	3 19
id185153	File - Workshop Photographs	n.d.	3 20
id184941	File -		4
id185154	File - Miscellaneous Negatives	n.d.	4 1
id185155	File - Miscellaneous Negatives	n.d.	4 2
id185156	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 3
id185157	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 4
id185158	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 5
id185159	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 6
id185160	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 7
id185161	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 8
id185162	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 9
id185163	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 10
id185164	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 11
id185165	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 12
id185166	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 13
id185167	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 14
id185168	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 15
id185169	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 16
id185170	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 17
id185171	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 18
id185172	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 19
id185173	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 20
id185174	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 21
id185175	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 22
id185176	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 23
id185177	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 24
id185178	File - Miscellaneous Photographs	n.d.	4 25

Series id180625: Publications

Scope and content:

This series includes a number of publications produced by Power U, such as newsletters.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id180632	File -			1
id180633	File - Hear Me Out	n.d.		1 1
id180634	File - In the News	2005-2006		1 2
id180635	File - Overtown Cookbook	2009		1 3
id180636	File - The Power of Health	2008		1 4
id180637	File - Power Press	2007-2008		1 5
id180638	File - Power U Newsletter	2005-2006		1 6
id180639	File - Telling It Like It Is	n.d.		1 7

Series id180628: Subject FilesScope and content:

This series includes subject and research files gathered by Power U. The materials highlight the many areas of focus for the organization, such as housing, education, environmental health, and others. Many of the materials relate to Overtown, and have been kept together to reflect Power U's efforts in that neighborhood in particular.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id180656	File -			1
id180658	File - Overtown			1 1
id180659	File - Overtown			1 2
id180660	File - Overtown			1 3
id180661	File - Overtown			1 4
id180662	File - Overtown			1 5
id180663	File - Overtown			1 6
id180664	File - Overtown			1 7
id180665	File - Overtown			1 8
id180657	File -			2
id180687	File - Action in D.C.			2 1
id180688	File - Brownfields Revitalization			2 2
id180689	File - Development Without Displacement Handbook			2 3
id180690	File - Education			2 4
id180691	File - Education			2 5
id180692	File - Environmental Health			2 6
id180693	File - Highway Noise Wall			2 7
id180694	File - Housing			2 8

id180695	File - Housing	2 9
id180696	File - Housing	2 10
id180697	File - Hurricane Katrina	2 11
id180698	File - Local Government/Politics	2 12
id180699	File - Miami Comprehensive Neighborhood Plan	2 13
id180700	File - Miscellaneous Newspaper Clippings	2 14
id180701	File - Newspaper Copies: P.I.A. - R.A.S.H.	2 15
id180702	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder: Power U in 2007	2 16
id180703	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder: Power U in 2007	2 17
id180704	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder: Power U in 2007	2 18
id180705	File - Other Organizations	2 19
id180706	File - U.S. Conference of Mayors	2008-2009 2 20
id180707	File - Youth/Youth Action	2 21
id184923	File -	3
id184924	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder	2006 3 1
id184925	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder	2006 3 2
id184926	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder	2006 3 3
id184927	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder	2006 3 4
id184928	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder	2006 3 5
id184929	File - Newspaper Clippings Binder	2006 3 6

Series id180630: Audio/Visual Materials

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id378390	File -			1
id378391	Item - VHS: People of Color Alliance Graduation	February 2004		1
id378477	Item - VHS: Inside Edition - School Bathrooms	February 2005		1
id378478	Item - VHS: P.I.A. Accountability	2001		1
id378479	Item - VHS: Schools - EJ, Student Organizing	August 24, 2004		1
id378480	Item - VHS: NARS Graduation	February 2004		1
id378481	Item - VHS: Art Teele - Power U News Protest	July 2005		1
id378482	Item - Audiocasste: P.I.A. Interviews Francisco Acura 790 AM/1450AM			1
id378483	Item - Audiocasste: [Unmarked tape]			1
id378484	File -			1 1
id378485	Item - CD: Keepin' It Real Candidate Forum			1 1

id378486	Item - CD: Silent Auction 2003 + Leadership Trip 1/28-31/2004	2003-2004	1 1
id378487	Item - CD: Overtown Sankofa		1 1
id378488	File -		1 2
id378489	Item - DVD: WLRN Perspectives - Responsible Development		1 2
id378490	Item - DVD-R: Power U MWC- NCOBRO Demo 2 - Carnival Cruise, Tax Day, Pay Your Share Taxes	April 18, 2004	1 2
id378491	Item - CD-R: Nola		1 2
id378492	File -		1 3
id378493	Item - CD-R: CC Meeting - Item P2.26	October 26, 2006	1 3
id378494	Item - CD-R: Bercow & Randall, P.A., SEOPW ADA, Master/Increment Client Matter		1 3
id378495	File -		1 4
id378499	Item - CD-R: The Landlord Finale		1 4
id378500	Item - CD-R: Summer Beach / Reggae / 5K Mix		1 4
id378501	Item - CD-R: Power U - Lofty Ideas Photography	July 26, 2006	1 4
id378502	Item - DVD: Power U - Crosswinds Protest	November 19, 2007	1 4
id378503	Item - [Unmarked DVD-R]		1 4
id378496	File -		1 5
id378504	Item - DVD: Welcome to New Orleans		1 5
id378505	Item - [Unmarked DVD-R]		1 5
id378506	Item - DVD-R: Grove Center, James Pics, Dance		1 5
id378507	Item - [Unmarked CD-R]		1 5
id378508	Item - CD-R: Liberty City Pics		1 5
id378497	File -		1 6
id378509	Item - CD: Topical Currents (WLRN Public Radio) Crosswinds Project - Denise Perry, Max Remeau, Matthew Schwartz, Irby McKnight	October 18, 2015	1 6
id378510	Item - CD-R: Power U - Building Take Over Photos		1 6
id378511	Item - CD-R: OC Premium CD	February 2003	1 6
id378512	Item - DVD-R: Detriot Test		1 6
id378513	Item - [Unmarked DVD-R]		1 6
id378498	File -		1 7
id378514	Item - CD-R: CLOI 2008		1 7
id378515	Item - CD-R: Photos from Nov. 9 Walk		1 7
id378516	Item - DVD: West Coconut Grove: A Sense of Place		1 7
id378517	Item - CD: Brother brand printer installation disc		1 7

Series id184932: Oversized Materials

Publication status:

Published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id184933	File -			1
id184934	File - Photographs	n.d.		1 1
id184935	File - Photographs	n.d.		1 2
id184936	File - Photographs	n.d.		1 3
id184937	File - Certificate of Appreciation	2009		1 4
id185303	File -			2
id185304	File - Detailed Development Plans for Sawyer's Walk, Miami, Florida	2006		2 1
id185305	File - Banner	n.d.		2 2
id185307	File -			5 12
id185308	Item - Poster	2007		5 12
Series id377578: Power U for Social Change Web Collection - Social Justice Web Collections				
<u>Scope and content:</u> <p>The Social Justice Web Collections archive the websites of grassroots organizations concerned with immigration, poverty, affordable housing, gentrification, environmental justice and race relations. Advocacy groups include: Catalyst Miami, Florida Immigrant Coalition (FLIC), the Haitian Women of Miami (FANM), the International Union of Operating Engineers (Local 487), Take Back the Land, Power U Center for Social Change, and the Community Justice Project.</p>				
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