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Scope and Content Note

The Center for Community Affairs was founded in 1976 to forge a strong link between the university and the surrounding community. The university's resources and research capabilities were applied to meeting the needs of communities in Indiana, Jefferson, Armstrong, Clarion, Butler and Westmoreland counties. Local government, business, and community service organizations could rely on the Center for Community Affairs for assistance with planning and organizational issues. Surveys and seminars were among the primary means by which the Center for Community Affairs attempted to bring about community improvement. Surveys on the delivery of police services, needs assessment for local Red Cross chapters, and conferences of fair political practices are just a few examples of past projects of the Center for Community affairs. In 1989, the Center for Community Affairs was replaced by the Institute for Research and Community service, which places more emphasis on the research needs of the university. Much of this collection deals with the Blairsville Project, and the collection dates from approximately 1976-1988.

Processor Note

Collection was re-housed and finding aid updated by Special Collections staff, Spring 2009.

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Box 1 Miscellaneous Records/ Papers (11 folders)

1. Advisory Board Minutes and Agendas, 1977-1980
2. Annual Reports, 1978, 1980-1985
3. Bylaws- Advisory Board, adopted February 8, 1977
4. Information Booklets on the Center for Community Affairs, February 1, 1980
5. "Communicator," November 1976-March 1983
6. Conferences and Symposiums, 1977, 1982-1983
7. "Interdisciplinary Ventures in Public Service," submitted to Dr. John E. Worthen, 1981
8. IPPS & IPPS Fellowship Awards-Institute for Public Policy Studies, 1983
9. Correspondence, 1976-1978
10. Pamphlets, n.d.
11. Pennsylvania Horizons, Fall 1983

Box 2 Publications (10 booklets)

1. Survey of Residents Along Proposed Bus Route, Indiana Borough, White Township- for Indiana County Transit Authority, 1979. Project Director: Dr. Robert Rittle
2. Indiana County Transportation Survey for the Indiana County Transit Authority, December, 1979. Project Director: E. Knittel and others.
3. Citizen's Survey on the Delivery of Police Services in Indiana County, PA- Project Director: Gerald L. Thorpe, January 1980
4. Municipal Officials Survey on the Delivery of Police Services in Indiana County, PA. Project Director: Gerald R. Thorpe

5. Survey of State Directors on the Status of the Basic Life Support Network in the United States of America- Research Report 1982-2, February 1982, Project Director: Gerald Esposito and others
6. Pre-Hospital Emergency Medical Services in Pennsylvania: A Statewide Survey-Publication 1982-1, Mitchell Fleischer, Ph. D, April 1982
7. Health Screening- Health Education Project for the Rural Elderly: An Evaluation by Participating Agencies- Rick S. Ferris, April 1982
8. A Needs Assessment Survey of the Indiana County Chapter of the American Red Cross- Publication 1982-4, Project Director: Carol Miller
9. Coal Haul Roads: A Case Study of Traffic Patterns and Road Conditions in Indiana County, PA- Contract No. Cop-TPSU-IUP-65897A-228 Publication No. 1982-3, Gopal S. Kulkarni, investigator
10. An Analysis of Recycling and Other Municipal Solid Waste System Policies, Participants and other Issues by Dr. Thomas W. Falcone & Daniel Brazen, 30 July, 1984

Box 3 Blairsville Project Files (14 folders)

1. Blairsville Project: Correspondence, National Register of Historic Places Nomination form for St. Peter's Episcopal Church, photocopies of pictures of St. Peter's, topographical map of Blairsville, 1986
2. Blairsville Photos (photocopies): Photos of Blairsville homes, n.d.
3. "Indiana County Created out of a Wilderness by Pioneer Stock:" A brief historical survey concerning the founding of white settlements and industrial centers in Indiana County, n.d.
4. Contract/Proposal- Blairsville: Research Agreement between Blairsville borough and the Center for Community Affairs, invoices, financial statements, proposal for Blairsville Historic Research Survey detailing procedures and staff qualifications, 1983
5. A Survey of Blairsville History by Clarence Stephenson: Before its founding to the 1980's, prepared February 1984
6. Data Analysis Report- Blairsville, January 1985: Included a survey of Blairsville's historic resources and building conditions
7. Publicity- Blairsville: Articles on Blairsville Revitalization Project, Historic Resource Survey, The Story of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, details of IUP involvement in research, 1984
8. Correspondence- Blairsville: Correspondence between Blairsville Borough Officials/ the Center for Community Affairs and; The Division of Preservation Services of The Pennsylvania Bureau of Historic Preservation, The Pennsylvania Historic and Museum Commission, the Indiana County Historical and Genealogical Society, 1984-1986
9. Results/Evaluation- Blairsville: Progress reports, surveys, map preparations, invoices, building survey result summaries. Completed survey, 1984-1986
10. Survey Cards (Blairsville)- Xeroxable Set: Building survey form containing photographs and information such as type of building, age, use for various Blairsville structures, December 1984
11. "Historic Blairsville:" A 15 page, general history of Blairsville from 1918-1984. Contains some photos of historic sites
12. Blairsville Background File: Correspondence between Blairsville Borough officials and

The Center for Community Affairs, general project notes, 1983

13. Time File: Paste-up sheets for Historic Blairsville Book, March 1985
14. Blairsville St. Peter's Episcopal Church Info Sent to Bureau for Historic Preservation, Royce Walters Project: Correspondence between Center for Community Affairs and; the National Register of Historic places, Bureau for Historic Preservation, Blairsville officials, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, the Indiana County Historical and Genealogical Society, 1988

Box 4 Blairsville Project Files (11 folders)

1. Blairsville Photos and notes, Homes and Businesses, 1986
2. "A History of Blairsville" by Clarence Stephenson: A brief survey of Blairsville history from before its settlement to the 1980's, December 1984
3. Information summary concerning St. Peter's Episcopal Church based on diocese records, August 14, 1985
4. Historic Resource Survey: Data Analysis Report For the Borough of Blairsville prepared by the Center for Community Affairs, January 1985
5. Pennsylvania Historic Resource Survey forms for borough of Blairsville: Building survey information such as, age, style, etc, December 1984
6. Blairsville wrap-up picture board: Photos (photocopies) of and notes concerning St. Peter's Episcopal Church and rectory, n.d.
7. Blairsville Prints: Photos (photocopies) of Blairsville business buildings and homes, n.d.
8. "Historic Blairsville:" A 15 page, general history of Blairsville History from 1818-1984
9. Photo Index/ Negative Log: Index of negatives for photos used in Pennsylvania Historic Resource Survey Forms, includes frame numbers and roll numbers and the name/location of structure on negative. Proof sheet (photocopy), 1984
10. Blairsville Historic Resource Report, Volume I: Historic Research Report by Clarence Stephenson detailing the history of Blairsville. Data Analysis report submitted by the Center For Community Affairs, January 1985
11. Blairsville Historic Resource Report Volume II: Survey forms for individual building, street, period built, and original use, 1985

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| 6. 123 South Spring, Blairsville | R16-4 |
| 7. 161 East Brown, Blairsville | R11-19 |
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| 9. 154 East Market, Blairsville, North Facade | CCA 6-14 |
| 10. 184 East Market, Blairsville, North Facade | CCA 6-19 |
| 11. 184 East Market, Blairsville, North Facade, | CCA 6-19 |
| 12. Einstein Bldg., Blairsville, Northwest Façade | CCA 6-3A |
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14. 50 1/2 West Market, Blairsville South Facade	CCA 1-8
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19. 302 South Liberty, Blairsville,	CCA 16-20A
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22. Heyberger Bldg., Blairsville, Northeast Façade	CCA 6-10
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