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HISTORY

The Hobson House Commission was created by a municipal order of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Bowling Green, Kentucky, in 1983. The Commission was charged with the responsibility “for the management of Riverview," a historic city-owned property at 1100 West Main Street. Riverview, built by Atwood Gaines Hobson in 1872, was restored by the Hobson House Association and opened for public tours in 1972. From 1974 to 1983, the city had an “operation agreement” with the Hobson House Association to manage and maintain the property; this was terminated in March 1983. The Association continued to assist the Commission with public relations and fundraising activities and continued to own and maintain the collections within the house. The Association changed its name to Friends of Riverview in 1998.

COLLECTION

This one-box collection contains correspondence, minutes, reports, budgets, and miscellaneous papers related to the work of the Hobson House Commission. They date chiefly from 1984 to 1992. Because the groups work together so closely, the collection does contain information about the Hobson House Association, including a set of its by-laws. Of particular interest are legal papers related to the case “Margaret S. Bush vs. City of Bowling Green and Hobson House Commission.”
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Organizational records including correspondence, minutes, financial reports, annual reports, yearbooks, portions of a policy manual, legal papers, and other miscellaneous papers related to the Hobson House Commission, which oversees the operation and maintenance of Riverview, a historic Bowling Green property.

1 box. 5 folders. 105 items. Originals. See Descriptive Inventory for details.

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### SUBJECT ANALYTICS

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