



**Central Illinois Jewish Federation
Records, 1965-1991**

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Champaign County Historical Archives

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Creator/Corporate name: Central Illinois Jewish Federation.

Inclusive Dates: 1965-1991.

Physical Description: 1 box, (1.1 linear feet).

Provenance: The records of the Central Illinois Jewish Federation were donated to the Champaign County Historical Archives, The Urbana Free Library (TUFL) in August 2007.

Access: The records are accessible to the public within applicable copyright restrictions and limited to use at the Champaign County Historical Archives of The Urbana Free Library.

Historical Note:

The collection documents the Central Illinois Jewish Federation (CIJF), which was active between 1967 and 1990. It was founded as a regional consortium of Jewish federations in Central Illinois to promote, serve, and advance the local Jewish population. These Jewish federations were located in Bloomington-Normal, Champaign-Urbana, Danville, Decatur, Galesburg, Peoria, and Springfield. CIJF disbanded after federations in Bloomington-Normal, Danville, Decatur, and Galesburg could not be supported because Jewish communities in those areas did not have numbers to support them. The Champaign-Urbana Jewish Federation (CUJF), Jewish Federation of Peoria (JFP) and Springfield Jewish Federation (SJF) remained active after the disbandment of CIJF.

Scope and Content Note:

Present within the records are materials which document the organization's non-profit status, incorporation, finances, by-laws, board member directories, meeting agendas and minutes, various correspondence to and from the organization; and social event, workshop, seminar, and retreat information. The records contain a complete run of the Central Illinois Jewish Federation's newspaper/newsletter the *Jewish Community Journal*, which is located in the non-circulating Archives stacks. The collection contained 56 photographs of members at meetings and at other gatherings. Some identification of the members were found on these photographs. These photographs are located in the local history photographs collection.

Subject Terms:

Church societies—Records and correspondence.

Central Illinois Jewish Federation—Records and correspondence.

Jewish people—Societies, etc.

Arrangement:

The collection is divided into three series as follows:

Series 1: Organization Structure and History: This series contains the CIJF's structural elements such as its by-laws, documentation of its non-profit status, committee papers,



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and financial reports. The history of the CIJF is encapsulated with the minutes, a study of Jewish population within Central Illinois undertaken in 1970, and a short written history of the organization.

Series 2: Communications: The items in this series include various correspondence which record the day-to-day operations and community participation. The yearly correspondence from 1983 and 1990 has a chronological order for those years. Also, contained within this series is correspondence pertaining to the CIJF newspaper/newsletter *The Jewish Community Journal*.

Series 3: Programming: All materials within this series are about events conducted by the CIJF whether it be informative, social, or educational. The materials are brochures, agendas, and invitations. This series is arranged chronologically.

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