DESCRIPTION

The Ernest and Margaret Tilford Collection consist of personal papers, published articles, and clippings featuring special education topics and the School Resource Program of the Tucson School District from 1965 to 1974. The School Resource Program was instituted in Tucson School District #1 in 1965 and featured the placement of uniformed Tucson police officers into 6 junior high schools to provide instruction in law enforcement and to interact with students. The program continued through 1969 through some federal funding and support of the Tucson Police Department. Collection also has special education topics and issues facing District #1 included general minority education concerns, students lacking English proficiency, dropout and delinquency issues, and other special needs and requirements.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Ernest Tilford was the secretary of the Arizona Civil Liberties Union and became very involved with review of the School Resource Program in Tucson as well as other civil liberty issues in the Tucson community. Margaret Tilford work in the Tucson School District #1 as a school psychologist from 1964 to 1967. She later worked in a Tucson psychiatric clinic and was involved with the Tucson Youth Board and the National Association of Social Workers.

ACQUISITION

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