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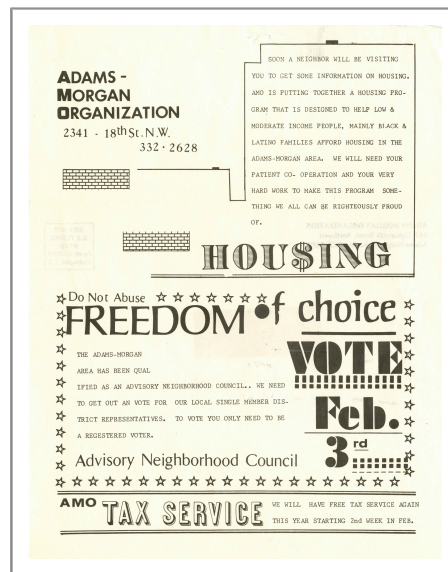
Anacostia Community Museum

Carol and Katie Davis Collection of Adams Morgan Ephemera

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Anacostia Community Museum Archives
Title:	Carol and Katie Davis Collection of Adams Morgan Ephemeral
Date:	1973-1974
Identifier:	ACMA.06-084
Creator:	Davis, Carol
Extent:	1.29 Linear feet (1 box)
Language:	Materials and in English and Spanish.
Summary:	Carol and Katie Davis Collection of Adams Morgan Ephemera, which dates from 1973-1974 and measures 1.29 linear feet, documents the growth and flourishing of neighborhood activism in Washington, DC both before and after the arrival of Home Rule. The collection includes copies of newspaper, the self-proclaimed "Community Newspaper of Adams Morgan," also published as "Noticiero Columbian."
Container:	Box 1

Administrative Information

Processing Information

Collection level description and machine-readable guide completed by Jennifer Morris, 2018. The collection was processed at the item-level, and a finding aid prepared by Amelia J. Verkerk in 2022.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Adams Morgan Organization (AMO), founded in 1972 by neighborhood advocates Marie Nahikian, Walter Pierce, Topper Care, Josephine "Jo" Butler, Edward G. Jackson Sr., Charlotte Fillmore, and Milton Kotler among others, tackled urgent issues in their community like real estate speculation and residential displacement. AMO convened regular and well-attended assembly meetings where residents shared an equal vote with AMO's elected chairperson

and 25 representatives. When the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANCs) were created as part of DC's transition to Home Rule, AMO served as a model of how local self-government could thrive. The tenant protections that AMO advocated for-including the 1975 Rental Accommodations Act, the 1978 Residential Real Property Transfer Excise Tax, and the 1980 Rental Housing Conversion and Sale Act-have helped preserve what affordable housing has remained in the District of Columbia.

Scope and Contents

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Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Community Organizations
- Community activists
- Urban Life

Types of Materials:

- Ephemera -- 20th century
- Newspapers

Places:

- Adams Morgan (Washington, D.C.)
- Washington (D.C.) -- 20th century

Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1	"The Columbian", 1973 September 29 Language: English, Spanish; Castilian. Topic: Newspapers -- Washington (D.C.). Community life -- Washington, D.C. Place: Adams Morgan (Washington, D.C.)
Box 1, Folder 2	"The Columbian", 1974 October 31 Language: English, Spanish; Castilian. Topic: Newspapers -- Washington (D.C.). Community life -- Washington, D.C. Place: Adams Morgan (Washington, D.C.)
Box 1, Folder 3	"Who's Going to Own Adams Morgan?" pamphlet, circa mid 1970s Genre/Form: Pamphlets -- 20th century Place: Adams Morgan (Washington, D.C.) Topic: Housing -- Washington (D.C.)
Box 1, Folder 4	Advisory Neighborhood Council flyer, circa mid 1970s Genre/Form: Fliers (printed matter) Place: Adams Morgan (Washington, D.C.)
Box 1, Folder 5	Perpetual Research Group's loan application, circa mid 1970s