



# Commonwealth Fund records, Austrian Program, SG 1, Series 6

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## Summary Information

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| <b>Repository:</b>               | Rockefeller Archive Center                                  |
| <b>Creator:</b>                  | Commonwealth Fund   |
| <b>Title:</b>                    | Commonwealth Fund records, Austrian Program, SG 1, Series 6 |
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| <b>Date [inclusive]:</b>         | 1923-1929   |
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| <b>Language of the Material:</b> | English   |

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## Biographical/Historical note

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The Commonwealth Fund was established in 1918 with an endowment of \$10 million from Mrs. Stephen V. Harkness for "benevolent, religious, educational and like purposes." The early grants supported a variety of programs while generally promoting welfare, especially child welfare. Several grants were made in the field of medical research, but the Board of Directors decided in 1920 that this field was already sufficiently supported by other philanthropic organizations.

Despite this decision, by the mid-1920s the chief interest of the Fund had become public health, including mental hygiene, community health, rural hospitals, medical research, and medical education. Other grant areas included war relief, educational and legal research, child welfare, and international medical fellowships.

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## Scope and Contents note

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An outgrowth of the Commonwealth Fund's relief activities in Eastern and Central Europe after World War I, the Austrian Program provided vital help in improving the health of children in Austria. From 1923 until 1929 the CF maintained an office in Vienna, and conducted a program of health and preventive medicine for children. Child health demonstrations were conducted in Salzburg, and similar activities transpired in Vienna, Klagenfurt, Graz, and elsewhere.

Emphasis was placed on bettering the Austrian type of health service, rather than the introduction of American methods. Additional educational training was provided through fellowships. Austrian support for the program was gradually increased, and by 1929 sufficient success and stability had been attained to ensure continuance of the work without Commonwealth Fund support.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Public health
- Public welfare
- United States
- War relief
- Child psychology
- Child mental health
- New York (N.Y.)
- New York (State)
- Hygiene
- Law
- Child welfare
- Education, Rural
- Medical education
- Medical research
- Legal issues
- Legal research
- Mental health
- Medicine, Rural
- Medicine -- Scholarships, fellowships, etc.

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## Other Finding Aids

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Other available finding aids describing the Commonwealth Fund records include:

[FA247 Commonwealth Fund Harkness House drawings](#)

[FA276 Commonwealth Fund records, Annual Reports, SG 1, Series 4](#)

[FA277 Commonwealth Fund records, Archives/Library, SG 1, Series 5](#)

[FA278 Commonwealth Fund records, Austrian Program, SG 1, Series 6](#)

[FA279 Commonwealth Fund records, Board of Directors, SG 1, Series 7](#)

[FA280 Commonwealth Fund records, Capital Grants, SG 1, Series 8](#)

[FA281 Commonwealth Fund records, Child Health Demonstrations, SG 1, Series 9](#)

[FA282 Commonwealth Fund records, Division of Community Clinics, SG 1, Series 10](#)

[FA283 Commonwealth Fund records, Division of Health Studies, SG 1, Series 11](#)

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[FA290 Commonwealth Fund records, Grants, SG 1, Series 18](#)

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[FA428 Commonwealth Fund records, Harkness Fellowships, Fellows Reports, SG 1, Series 20A](#)

[FA293 Commonwealth Fund records, Institute for Child Guidance, SG 1, Series 21](#)

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[FA296 Commonwealth Fund records, Living at Home Program, SG 1, Series 24](#)

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[FA307 Commonwealth Fund records, Visual Materials, SG 1, Series 35](#)

[FA389 Commonwealth Fund records, Administration - Historical Files, SG 1, Series 1](#)

[FA390 Commonwealth Fund records, Administration - Officers Files, SG 1, Series 2](#)

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| Financial Correspondence, June 8, 1923-December 20, 1926                        | box 1     | folder 7  |
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| Financial Statements - Austria, July 1923 to June 1925                          | box 1     | folder 9  |
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| Financial Statements - New York, July 1927 to June 1928                         | box 2     | folder 17 |
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| General Austrian Financial and Economic Information, March 4, 1924-July 5, 1928 | box 2     | folder 19 |