



Ford Foundation records, Governance and Public Policy (GPP), Office Files of Michael Seltzer and Maria Buck

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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

Maria Buck is a university administrator whose career has included positions in nonprofits and government in addition to higher education. From 1994 to 1996, she worked as a program assistant in the Ford Foundation's Governance and Public Policy Program (GPP).

Buck's post-Ford Foundation career has included positions as Assistant Commissioner in the New York City Department of Small Business Services from 2002 to 2005 and as Executive Director for the Center for Career Pathways Institute at Medgar Evers College of the City University of New York from 2005 to 2007. For a number of years, she operated her own consulting firm, M.L. Buck and Associates, and in 2011, she became the University Coordinator for the Office of Academic Affairs at the City University of New York. She was then made CUNY University Director in 2013.

Buck earned a B.A. in sociology from the University of Connecticut in 1992 and a M.P.P. from the University of Michigan in 1994.

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Biographical / Historical

Michael Seltzer is a consultant and educator in the nonprofit sector. From 1995 to 1998, he worked as a Program Officer at the Ford Foundation. He initially joined the Foundation as a Program Officer in the Governance and Public Policy Program (GPP). Following a change in the Foundation's program structure, Seltzer was moved into the Peace and Social Justice Program (PSJ) Governance and Civil Society unit (GCS). During his time at the Foundation, he was responsible for grantmaking to support organized philanthropy throughout the world.

After leaving the Ford Foundation in 1998, Seltzer became the Director of Business Enterprises for Sustainable Travel (BEST). Since 2007, he has lectured at Baruch College on philanthropy centered topics.

Seltzer earned a B.A. in international relations from Syracuse University in 1968. Prior to joining the Ford Foundation, he had consultant positions at Amnesty International and the TCC Group. He was also a co-founder and Executive Director of Funders Concerned about AIDS.

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Community Foundations and Rainbow Research files.

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Primarily documents the Community Foundations Changing Communities Initiative.

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Processing Information

Level 1 Minimal Processing has been conducted to establish basic intellectual and physical control of the material and assess immediate preservation and conservation needs. Material remains as received, in original folders and storage boxes.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Ford Foundation archive was deposited at RAC in 2011. Ford Foundation records, correspondence, reports, program files and officers papers were transferred to, and accessioned by, RAC beginning in 2011. Accessions continue as necessary.

Conditions Governing Access

Records are open for research with select materials restricted as noted. Brittle or damaged items are available at the discretion of RAC. Researchers interested in accessing digital media (floppy disks, CDs, DVDs, etc.) or audiovisual material (audio cassettes, VHS, etc.) in this collection must use an access surrogate. The original items may not be accessed because of preservation concerns. To request an access surrogate be made, or if you are unsure if there is an access surrogate, please contact an archivist.

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Community Foundations -- Memoranda, 1994-1995	box 1
Community Foundations -- 5th Workshop -- Evaluations, 1996	box 1
Community Foundations: Changing Communities, Diverse Needs -- Workshop Materials and Annual Report Synopsis, 1995-1996	box 1
Community Foundations: Changing Communities, Diverse Needs -- Proposals Request Form, 1993	box 1
Community Foundations: Changing Communities, Diverse Needs -- Planning -- Contacts/Address Listing, 1995	box 1
Community Foundations: Changing Communities, Diverse Needs -- 26 Grantees -- Two Years Beginning 10/1/1993, 1995	box 1
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