

# Ford Foundation records, Executive Officer Subject Files, Susan Berresford

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## **Summary Information**

**Repository:** Rockefeller Archive Center

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## **Biographical / Historical**

Susan Berresford served as the first female president of the Ford Foundation from 1996 to 2007. She joined the Foundation in the early 1970s as a program assistant and program officer in the Division of National Affairs. In 1980, Berresford began leading Women's Programs, and she was promoted to Vice President for US and International Affairs Programs in 1981. In 1989, all Ford Foundation programs - domestic and international - were put into one division led by Berresford: Africa and the Middle East (AME, formerly MEA), Asia (ASIA), Latin American and the Caribbean (LAC/OLAC), Human Rights and Governance (HRG), Education and Culture (EC), Program-Related Investments (PRI), and International Affairs (IA). In 1995, Berresford was chosen as executive vice president and chief operating officer (COO) of the Foundation.

When Susan Berresford became president in 1996, she reorganized the Foundation in to three large program themes that would inform grantmaking in the United States and developing countries: Assets with a focus on poverty, Peace and Social Justice on rights issues, and Education, Media, Arts and

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Culture to pull together related endeavors. She also created a separate communications program. Each program was led by a vice president. Berresford strongly reinforced the institutional and grantmaking goal of affirmative action.

She maintained significant support, domestically and internationally for women's issues. She endorsed and encouraged the worldwide meetings staff members and grantees to continue to hold joint meetings in order to create a greater sense of partnership and shared purpose. Berresford encouraged the development of local and regional peace and security programs in developing countries.

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## **Scope and Contents**

The collection consists of the Executive Officer Subject Files of Susan Berresford, including correspondence, project proposals, newsletters, press materials, and other documents regarding projects and programs overseen by Susan Berresford, many related to Woman's Programs. The majority of materials were created in the late 1970s to early 1980s. During this period, Berresford held many roles at the Foundation, including program assistant and program officer in the Division of National Affairs, officer in charge of Women's Programs, and Vice President for US and International Affairs Programs.

The collection also contains Education and Research Division files of Harold Howe II, vice president of the Education and Research Division, that were transferred to Susan Berresford in 1981.

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## Arrangement

The collection is arranged into one series: Subject Files, 1968-1990, as received from the Ford Foundation in 2017.

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#### **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Statement**

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### **Conditions Governing Access**

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## **Processing Information**

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- Ford Foundation
- Ford Foundation -- Overseas Offices
- Women's programs

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