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Physical Description: 5 boxes, approx. 5 linear feet				
Physical Location: Open shelf 2				
Abstract: Record books, catalogs, minutes, photographs				
Historical Information: The Durham Book Company, precursor to the current library was founded in 1733 and disbanded in the mid-1800s. The Durham Public Library was established by town vote in 1894 and a dedicated building was constructed and opened in 1902. Building additions in the 1980s and 1990s greatly expanded the building.				
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Inventory:				
Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)	Notes
1	1	Names of original proprietors of Durham Public Library	n.d.	
1	2	Library Patrons Record Book	1809	
1	3	Record book: Catalog of book acquisitions	n.d.	
1	4	Record book: Catalog of book acquisitions	n.d.	
1	5	Director's Minutes	1938-1963	
1	6	Acquisitions books and lists	1963; others without dates but likely 1960s	Added to collection 2018
2		Patron and circulation records – 2 ledger books	Approx. 1944-1955	
3	1	Bylaws	1933, 1959, 1971, 1978	
3	2	Correspondence	1977, 1978, 1988, 1991	
3	3	missing		
3	4	Durham Library Bulletin	1936	

3	5	Durham Library Catalog	n.d.	
3	6	Annual Report	1997-1998	
3	7	Flyers, brochures, and general information	1980s & 1990s	
3	8	Library Notices and Signage	n.d.	
3	9	Building addition – architect’s rendering	1995	
3	10	Building addition – architect’s renderings	1994	
3	11	Durham Public Library Needs Study Committee	1978	
3	12	Library Building Committee and Development Fund	1983, 1996-1997	
3	13	Building Photographs	1980s & 1990s	Most photos not dated or labeled
3	14	Building construction photographs	1980s & 1990s	
3	15	PALS photos and documents	1987, 1992	
3	16	Patrons: photographs	Approx. 1992	
3	17	Press releases and library news	1988-1991	
3	18	Application for State Library Construction Grant	1995	Added to collection 2018
4	1	Staff: “Public Libraries” obituary of Gertrude L. Hart	1918	Pg. 128
4	2	Staff: photographs	Approx. 1995-2002	
4	3	Programs and Events: Photographs	n.d.	
4	4	Programs and Events: Laying of Cornerstone	1901	
4	5	Programs and Events: Building Dedication	1902	
4	6	Programs and Events: 250 th Anniversary	1983	
4	7	Programs and Events: Dedication and Open House	1985	
4	8	Library Dedication: Photographs	1985	
4	9	Programs and events: 260 th anniversary	1993	
4	10	Programs and events: Library dedication and open house	1997	
4	11	Videocassette: Library dedication and open house	1997	
4	12	Programs and events: Durham Library 100 th birthday party; photographs	2002	
4	13	Programs and events: Art Exhibit opening - photographs	2001	

4	14	Programs and events: Children's programs, photographs	Approx. 1992-2001	
4	15	Programs and events: Halloween; photographs	1980s & 1990s	
4	16	Programs and events: Holiday Candle Lighting	1986, 1987, 1998	
4	17	Programs and events: Farmer Miner and Daisy the Pig; photographs	n.d.	
5	1	Programs and events: Memorial Day Parades; photographs	Approx. 1984 - 1992	
5	2	Programs and events: Summer Reading; photographs	2002	
5	3	Programs and events: Time Capsule; photographs	2001	
5	4	Programs and events: assorted flyers	1926 - 1997	
5	5	Awards and honors: American Association of Library Trustees	1959	
5	6	Awards and honors: Connecticut Library Association Public Relations Awards	1991, 1994	
5	6.5	History: Durham Book Company		Copies
5	7	History: "United to Buy Books: A History of the Book Company of Durham"	1961	
5	8	History: Library Card	2006	
5	9	Bookmarks with library hours	n.d.	
5	10	News clippings	1960s	
5	11	News clippings	1970s	
5	12	News clippings	1980s	
5	13	News clippings	1991-1992	
5	14	News clippings	1993-1994	
5	15	News clippings	1995-1999	
5	16	News clippings	2000s	
5	17	News clippings	n.d.	
5	18	News clippings	1973-1984	
6	1	Director's Reports to the Board of Trustees	1962-1976	
6	2	Director's Reports to the Board of Trustees	1977-1986	
6	3	Town Reports	1965-1986	
6	4	Committee Reports to the Board of Trustees: Children's Dept.	1968-1975	
6	5	Committee Reports to the Board of Trustees: Building & Grounds Committee	1958	
6	6	Minutes: Annual Meeting	1957	

6	7	Report to the State Library: Library Board Members	1967-1979	
6	8	Public Library Statistical Reports to the State of Connecticut	1955-1981	
6	9	Connecticut State Library: Application for State Grants to Public Libraries	1950-1954, 1966-1967	
6	10	Miscellaneous correspondence	1963-1986	
6	11	Library Relocation Study	1980	
6	12	Finance: Budget requests and reports to the Board of Finance	1960-1988	
6	13	Finance: Fine Reports	1978-1986	
7	1	Finance: Income and Expense Ledger Book	1935-1949	
7	2	Finance: Income and Expense Ledger Book	1956-1958	
7	3	Finance: Income and Expense Ledger Book	1962-1967	
7	4	Finance: Income and Expense Ledger Books	1984-1988	
7	5	Finance: Payments Ledger book	1963-1986	
7	6	Finance: Bank Books – Middletown National Bank	1917-1919	
7	7	Personnel: Monthly Time sheets	1972-1978	
7	8	Personnel: Payroll book	1971-1974	
7	9	Personnel: Personnel Policy & Children's Aide Job Description	1980	
7	10	Text of Presentation by Library Director Myrna Korn on History of the Durham Public Library	1962	