

## **Guide to the Shade Tree Shelter Records**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	The Shade Tree (Las Vegas, Nev.)
<b>Contributor:</b>	Gott, Nancy
<b>Title:</b>	Shade Tree Shelter Records
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00365
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1990-1996
<b>Physical Description:</b>	2.76 Cubic Feet (3 boxes)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	2.38 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Shade Tree Shelter Records date from 1990 to 1996 and consist primarily of logbooks and journals compiled by the staff of the Shade Tree, a shelter for homeless and abused women and children in Las Vegas, Nevada, documenting daily activities, incidents, and residents at the shelter. The collection also includes summaries of the staff's telephone conversations, a newspaper article about Shade Tree, and fliers and brochures about social services available in Southern Nevada.

### Preferred Citation

The Shade Tree Shelter Records, 1990-1996. MS-00365. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Historical Background

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The Shade Tree shelter began in 1989 as Jubilee Ministries when a group of Las Vegas, Nevada residents recognized a need for services for abused women and children in the city. At first, they offered limited shelter and resources in the basement of Saint Luke's Episcopal Church. In 1990, the group renamed themselves Shade Tree. With the help of volunteers, the Junior League, and the City of Las Vegas, Shade Tree opened a shelter in a building owned by Saint Vincent's Catholic Charities. They served primarily women and children but faced limitations due to the poor condition and size of the space. In 1998, the Donald W. Reynolds Foundation awarded Shade Tree a grant that allowed them to open a new facility that provides shelter to women and children in the Las Vegas Valley.

Source: "Who We Are." Shade Tree. Accessed January 23, 2018. <http://www.theshadetree.org/about-us/who-we-are/>.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials remain in original order.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

Collection is open for research, with the exception of materials that are restricted to protect personally identifiable information. Restrictions are noted at the file level of this inventory and will be open for research use January 1, 2070.

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1996 by Nancy Gott; accession number 96-6.

## Processing Note

In 2018, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, John A. Heldt processed the collection and entered the data into ArchivesSpace. In 2018, Angela Moor revised the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Children -- Services for -- Nevada -- Clark County
- Women's shelters
- Victims of family violence
- Homeless families
- Shelters for the homeless
- Homeless persons

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
Shade Tree information, contact lists, Jubilee Ministries Inc. proposal for day shelter, 1990-1991	box 01
Proposals for health insurance for Shade Tree staff, 1994	box 01
Social services in Las Vegas information, 1994	box 01
Las Vegas News Times article on Shade Tree, 1996	box 01
Logs of telephone conversations by Shade Tree staff, 1990-1991	box 02
Physical Description: 2 Files	
Restricted: Materials are restricted to protect personally identifiable information and will be open for research use on January 1, 2070.	
Staff journals and logbooks, 1991-1992	box 02
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Staff journals and logbooks, 1992-1994	box 03
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