



FINDING AID FOR

**Joel Chandler Harris Homes, John O. Chiles Homes, and
College Town at West End records**

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Joel Chandler Harris Homes, John O. Chiles Homes, and College Town at West End records. -- 1964-2005 and undated. - - 1.00 Cubic feet (2 boxes)

Scope and Content

The collection consists of project records, tenant association records, publications, and photographs of the Joel Chandler Harris Homes, the John O. Chiles senior highrise (part of Harris Homes), and their redevelopment as College Town at West End.

HISTORICAL NOTE:

The Joel Chandler Harris Homes were located at 920 Sells Ave., SW and known as the 510 Unit Project. Construction for the Harris Homes began in 1955. It was completed October 1, 1957. Located in District 4, it contained 510 units on 35.8 acres and was part of the Low Rent Housing Program.

The John O. Chiles Homes was the first senior highrise completed by Atlanta Housing on October 15, 1965 as part of Harris Homes. It was located at 435 Ashby Street, SW, in District 4, having 250 units, and situated on 2.5 acres. This highrise building was specifically constructed for the elderly and part of the Low Rent Housing Program.

College Town at West End entered execution September 1966. It covered 675 acres with a net cost \$12.2 million. The redevelopment emphasized a rehabilitation of more than 2000 houses. New Dean Rusk School was built as a part of this redevelopment along with a block-sized park conveyed to city; \$2.4 million West End Mall built on 12 acres in heart of West End business district. It included 34 new single family homes being built on 7.66 acre tract owned by Atlanta Housing. The new subdivision, Victoria Square, is part of a larger 18 acre tract near the West End MARTA station. Some 15 antebellum homes in area were restored and rehabilitated and major utilities toward total neighborhood restoration. The project was continued under Community Development Block Grant Program.

Restrictions

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged into five series: 1. Project Records, 2. Tenant Association Records, 3. Publications, 4. Photographs, and 5. Art and Artifacts.

The Project Records are divided into: 1. Development Records, which include the planning, creation, and continuing development of the housing projects and 2. Redevelopment records which include the transition, redevelopment, revitalization, and demolition of the former projects.

Other Codes

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2015.0036.1 Project Records. -- 1964-2007 and undated

2015.0036.1.1 Development (of Joel Chandler Harris Homes). -- 1964-1993

2015.0036.1.1.1 Admissions statistical report. -- July 1, 1964-June 30, 1965

2015.0036.1.1.2 Community Center groundbreaking, opening, and dedication. -- 1976

2015.0036.1.1.3 Community program, Project Redirection, announcement. -- 1993

2015.0036.1.1.4 Site plans. -- undated

2015.0036.1.1.5 Harris Homes, Sterling Community Service Foundation, playground facility, volunteers, announcement. -- undated

2015.0036.1.2 Development (of John O. Chiles Homes). -- 1966-1991 and undated

2015.0036.1.2.1 Dedication program and speech. -- 1966

2015.0036.1.2.2 Highrise architectural design and its effects on residents' life, a narrative. -- circa 1971

2015.0036.1.2.3 Structural defects and residents evacuation. -- 1979-1981

2015.0036.1.2.4 Senior citizens community day proclamation by Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young. -- 1985

2015.0036.1.2.5 Complaints against management. -- 1986

2015.0036.1.2.6 Community activities. -- 1988-1989

2015.0036.1.2.7 26th anniversary celebration invitation. -- 1991

2015.0036.1.2.8 John O. Chiles Senior Citizens Service Center flyer. -- undated

2015.0036.1.2.9 Description and floor plans. -- undated

2015.0036.1.3 Redevelopment (from Joel Chandler Harris Homes and John O. Chiles Homes to College Town at West End). -- 1996-2007

2015.0036.1.3.1 Public Housing Management Agent Service Contract by and between AHA and Realty Management DBA Lane Company for Harris Homes. -- 1996-1999

2015.0036.1.3.2 Public Housing Management Agent Service Contract by and between AHA and Realty Management DBA Lane Company for John O'Chiles. -- 1996-1999

2015.0036.1.3.3 HOPE VI application commitment letters for Harris Homes. -- 1997-1999

2015.0036.1.3.4 HOPE VI Evaluation for Harris Homes. -- 1999

Other Codes

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2015.0036.1.3.5 Harris Homes demolition application and approval letters. -- 1999

2015.0036.1.3.6 Joel Chandler Harris Homes correspondence regarding awarding of HOPE VI grant and HOPE VI fact sheet. -- Aug. 30, 1999

Other Codes

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2015.0036.1.3.7 Harris Homes Meeting minutes. -- 1999-2000

2015.0036.1.3.8 HOPE VI Demolition Application Checklist. -- May 2, 2000

2015.0036.1.3.9 Harris Homes HOPEVI Revitalization executive summary. -- 2000

Other Codes

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2015.0036.1.3.10 College Town Master Plan, College Partners Inc, Harris Homes Revitalization, correspondence. -- 2001-2002

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2015.0036.1.3.11 Joel C. Harris Homes Demolition Narrative. -- 2002

2015.0036.1.3.12 Harris Homes Planning Committee revitalization tour invitation. -- Summer 2002

2015.0036.1.3.13 Proposal for Acquisition of Dean Rusk Elementary School for Incorporation into the Harris Homes Revitalization Master Plan, AHA, Atlanta Public Schools, correspondence. -- 2004

2015.0036.1.3.14 AHA, College Partners Inc, Agreement Regarding Land Exchange, correspondence, legal document, plans. -- 2005

2015.0036.1.3.15 Harris Homes Relocation and Reoccupancy Task Force Recommendation meeting minutes. -- 2005

2015.0036.1.3.16 Designated Housing Plan for John O. Chiles (Harris Homes Revitalization, Phase III and VI), Board Approved. -- January 16, 2007

2015.0036.2 Tenant Association Records. -- 1980-1997 and undated

2015.0036.2.1 Harris Homes Tenant Association. -- 1980-1996 and undated

2015.0036.2.1.1 Harris Homes Resident Association bylaws and correspondence. -- 1980

2015.0036.2.1.2 Funeral service announcement for Tenant Association President Mary Louise Freeman. -- Aug. 1990

2015.0036.2.1.3 Harris Homes Resident Association correspondence. -- 1995-1996

2015.0036.2.1.4 Biographical sketch of Tenant Association President Beverly Adams. -- undated

2015.0036.2.2 John O. Chiles Tenant Association. -- 1985-1997

2015.0036.2.2.1 John O. Chiles Homes Resident Association events. -- 1985

2015.0036.2.2.2 John O. Chiles Homes Resident Association correspondence. -- 1997

2015.0036.3 Publications. -- 1997-2002 and undated

2015.0036.3.1 Harris Homes Chronicle. -- 1997-1999

2015.0036.3.2 Newsclippings. -- 1990s-2000s

2015.0036.3.3 City of Atlanta publications featuring Harris Homes. -- 2000-2001

2015.0036.3.4 John O. Chiles Highrise Globe: A monthly publication for the residents of John O. Chiles. -- 2002

2015.0036.4 Photographs. -- 1959-2002 and undated

2015.0036.4.1 Harris Homes Photographs. -- 1959-2002 and undated

2015.0036.4.1.1 Slides of Harris Homes street views. -- Sept. 1959. -- (4 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_02983; aha_2013_img_02984; aha_2013_img_02985; aha_2013_img_02986

2015.0036.4.1.2 Photographs of Harris Homes playgrounds. -- 1990. -- (6 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_02990; aha_2013_img_02991; aha_2013_img_02992; aha_2013_img_02993;
aha_2013_img_02994; aha_2013_img_02995

2015.0036.4.1.3 Photograph of Harris Homes, exterior. -- 1992. -- (1 image)

Other Codes

aha_2018_img_00009

2015.0036.4.1.4 Photographs of Harris Homes Hope VI Grant award announcement. -- 1999. -- (8 still images) (2 folders)

Scope and Content

Senator Max Cleland, HUD Secretary Andrew Cuomo, Atlanta Mayor Bill Campbell, and Renee Lewis Glover, Executive Director in attendance.

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aha_2013_img_02996; aha_2013_img_02997; aha_2013_img_02998; aha_2013_img_05336;
aha_2013_img_05337; aha_2013_img_05338; aha_2013_img_05339; aha_2013_img_05340

2015.0036.4.1.5 Slides of Harris Homes revitalization site. -- Aug. 2002. -- (3 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_02999; aha_2013_img_03000; aha_2013_img_03001

2015.0036.4.1.6 Photograph negatives of Harris Homes revitalization site, aerial views. -- Aug. 22, 2002. -- (12 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_03002; aha_2013_img_03003; aha_2013_img_03004; aha_2013_img_03005;
aha_2013_img_03006; aha_2013_img_03007; aha_2013_img_03008; aha_2013_img_03009;
aha_2013_img_03010; aha_2013_img_03011; aha_2013_img_03012; aha_2013_img_03013

2015.0036.4.1.7 Photographs of Harris Homes exterior. -- undated. -- (2 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_02988; aha_2013_img_02989

2015.0036.4.1.8 Photographs of Harris Homes buildings. -- undated. -- (2 still images)

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aha_2013_img_00079; aha_2013_img_00080

2015.0036.4.1.9 Photographs of Harris Homes, exterior playground. -- undated. -- (5 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_06585; aha_2014_img_06586; aha_2014_img_06587; aha_2014_img_06588;
aha_2014_img_06589

2015.0036.4.1.10 Photographs of Joel Chandler Harris Homes, exterior. -- undated. -- (4 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_06581; aha_2014_img_06582; aha_2014_img_06583; aha_2014_img_06584

2015.0036.4.2 John O. Chiles Photographs. -- 1965-2001 and undated

2015.0036.4.2.1 Slides of John O. Chiles Homes and Highrise aerial views, courtyard, and community life. -- 1965-1967. -- (19 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_04873; aha_2013_img_04874; aha_2013_img_04875; aha_2013_img_04876;
aha_2013_img_04877; aha_2013_img_04878; aha_2013_img_04879; aha_2013_img_04880;
aha_2013_img_04881; aha_2013_img_04882; aha_2013_img_04883; aha_2013_img_04884;
aha_2013_img_04885; aha_2013_img_04886; aha_2013_img_04887; aha_2013_img_04888;
aha_2013_img_04889; aha_2013_img_04890; aha_2013_img_04891

2015.0036.4.2.2 Photographs of John O. Chiles Homes, interior and exterior. -- 1965-1968. -- (18 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_00222; aha_2013_img_00223; aha_2013_img_00224; aha_2013_img_00225;
aha_2013_img_00226; aha_2013_img_00227; aha_2013_img_00228; aha_2013_img_00229;
aha_2013_img_00230; aha_2013_img_00231; aha_2013_img_00232; aha_2013_img_00233;
aha_2013_img_00234; aha_2013_img_00235; aha_2013_img_00236; aha_2013_img_00237;
aha_2013_img_00238; aha_2013_img_00239

2015.0036.4.2.3 Photographs of John O. Chiles Event with AHA Executives and Commissioners in attendance. -- circa 1965-1969

2015.0036.4.2.4 Slides of John O. Chiles highrise interior. -- May 1967. -- (11 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_04892; aha_2013_img_04893; aha_2013_img_04894; aha_2013_img_04895;
aha_2013_img_04896; aha_2013_img_04897; aha_2013_img_04898; aha_2013_img_04899;
aha_2013_img_04900; aha_2013_img_04901; aha_2013_img_04902

2015.0036.4.2.5 Photographs of John O. Chiles Highrise apartment interiors. -- circa 1968. -- (3 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_06667; aha_2014_img_06668; aha_2014_img_06669

2015.0036.4.2.6 Slides of John O. Chiles Highrise exterior and atrium. -- 1968-1975. -- (13 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_04903; aha_2013_img_04904; aha_2013_img_04905; aha_2013_img_04906;
aha_2013_img_04907; aha_2013_img_04908; aha_2013_img_04909; aha_2013_img_04910;
aha_2013_img_04911; aha_2013_img_04912; aha_2013_img_04913; aha_2013_img_04914;
aha_2013_img_04915

2015.0036.4.2.7 Photograph of John O. Chiles Highrise, main entrance. AHA 2014.06664. -- circa 1971. -- (1 still image)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_06664

2015.0036.4.2.8 Photographs of John O. Chiles Highrise interior, lobby, and residents. -- Aug. 1982. -- (9 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_06670; aha_2014_img_06671; aha_2014_img_06672; aha_2014_img_06673;
aha_2014_img_06674; aha_2014_img_06675; aha_2014_img_06676; aha_2014_img_06677;
aha_2014_img_06678

2015.0036.4.2.9 Negatives of John O. Chiles Highrise: Christmas Event. -- Dec. 1982. -- (22 still images)

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aha_2014_img_04724; aha_2014_img_04725; aha_2014_img_04726; aha_2014_img_04727;
aha_2014_img_04728; aha_2014_img_04729; aha_2014_img_04730; aha_2014_img_04731;
aha_2014_img_04732; aha_2014_img_04733; aha_2014_img_04734; aha_2014_img_04735;

aha_2014_img_04736; aha_2014_img_04737; aha_2014_img_04738; aha_2014_img_04739;
aha_2014_img_04740; aha_2014_img_04741; aha_2014_img_04742; aha_2014_img_04743;
aha_2014_img_04744; aha_2014_img_04745

2015.0036.4.2.10 Photograph of John O. Chiles Highrise, lobby. -- circa 1990. -- (1 still image)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_04918

2015.0036.4.2.11 Photographs of John O. Chiles Highrise, building "B" street views. -- 1990s. -- (2 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_06665; aha_2014_img_06666

2015.0036.4.2.12 Photographs of John O. Chiles Highrise, exterior and street views. -- 1992

2015.0036.4.2.13 Slides of John O. Chiles highrise exterior. -- circa 2000. -- (6 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_04919; aha_2013_img_04920; aha_2013_img_04921; aha_2013_img_04922;
aha_2013_img_04923; aha_2013_img_04924

2015.0036.4.2.14 Slides and photographs: John O. Chiles exterior and lobby. -- Nov. 2001. -- (3 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2013_img_04925; aha_2013_img_04926; aha_2013_img_04927

2015.0036.4.2.15 Photographs of John O. Chiles Highrise, exterior and lobby. -- undated. -- (4 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_06660; aha_2014_img_06661; aha_2014_img_06662; aha_2014_img_06663

2015.0036.4.2.16 Photograph of John O. Chiles Highrise, community life. -- undated. -- (1 still image)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_06679

2015.0036.4.2.19 (Unprocessed) Photographs Not On Shelf

2015.0036.4.2.19.1 Senior highrises: John O. Chiles Highrise and Roosevelt House. -- 1968. -- (2 still images)

Other Codes

aha_2014_img_03310; aha_2014_img_03311

2015.0036.5 Art and Artifacts

2015.0036.5.1 Atlanta Housing art: "Portrait of John O. Chiles." Oil on board.. -- circa 1970. -- 61 1/2 x 40 1/2 inches

Provenance

On extended Loan from the Atlanta Housing Authority of the City of Atlanta, Georgia to the High Museum of Art Atlanta.

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Other Codes

78.2006; aha_2018_img_00045