

# Theresa Aragon de Shepro papers, 1962-1979

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Shepro, Theresa Aragon de
<b>Title</b>	Theresa Aragon de Shepro papers
<b>Dates</b>	1962-1979 (inclusive) 1962 1979
<b>Quantity</b>	5.58 cubic feet, including textual materials, 7 sound tape reels, and 1 microfilm reel (14 boxes and 1 oversized folder)
<b>Collection Number</b>	(Accession No. 2913-002)
<b>Summary</b>	Papers of a Chicano professor at the University of Washington who was also a state and community activist.
<b>Repository</b>	<a href="#">University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections</a> Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 <a href="mailto:speccoll@uw.edu">speccoll@uw.edu</a>
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	The papers are open to all users, but access to portions of the papers is restricted. Contact Special Collections, University of Washington Libraries for details.  Reel-to-reel tapes in box 5 require duplication before use.
<b>Languages</b>	English, Spanish
<b>Sponsor</b>	Funding for encoding this finding aid was partially provided through a grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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## Biographical Note

Theresa Aragon de Shepro holds degrees from Seattle University, the University of Washington, and the University of New Mexico. In 1970 she began teaching at the University of Washington as a part-time, pre-doctoral lecturer in arts and sciences. Between 1971 and 1975 she was a lecturer in the political science department. She also served as interim director of Chicano Studies in 1971 and as vice-provost for Special Programs and associate director of the Division of Urban and Regional Affairs from 1971 to 1975. In 1975 Shepro joined the School of Social Work, first as a lecturer, and then in 1978 as assistant professor. In June 1981 she left the University of Washington.

Theresa de Shepro was active in Chicano and Mexican-American affairs both on and off campus during her time at the University of Washington. In 1970 she was appointed to the Washington State Governor's Advisory Committee on Mexican American Affairs, a position she held until 1971. In that year she was appointed to the newly created Washington State Commission on Mexican American Affairs, served as chairperson until 1972, and continued as a member until 1973. The commission advised state departments and agencies about providing needed assistance to Mexican Americans. Shepro was also active in Centro de la Raza, Seattle (steering committee, 1973), the Mexican

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American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (board member, circa 1975-1978), Equal Opportunity for Spanish Speaking Americans (vice-chair, 1971), the Chicano Education Association, and Active Mexicanos Economic Development Center, Seattle.

After 1978, Theresa de Shepro was known as Theresa Valdez.

## Content Description

The Theresa Aragon de Shepro papers reflect her interest and active involvement in Chicano and Mexican-American issues and organizations in Washington State between 1962 and 1979. Personal papers make up the majority of the collection and include extensive subject series that contain reports, proposals, speeches and writings by others, and microfilm and audiotapes about a variety of Chicano and Mexican-American issues, events, and organizations.

The remainder of the collection includes records from organizations with which Shepro was involved, including Active Mexicanos, Centro de la Raza, the Chicano Education Association of the State of Washington, the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, the Washington Commission on Mexican American Affairs, and the Washington Governor's Advisory Committee on Mexican American Affairs. Although the papers include few documents concerning Shepro's teaching or administrative duties at the University of Washington, the Chicano Issues subject series contains material relating to UW Chicano faculty resignations in 1975. Major correspondents include: Seattle Model City Program; Vilma S. Martínez, president and general counsel of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund; and Ricardo R. García, executive secretary of the Washington Commission on Mexican American Affairs.

## Use of the Collection

### Restrictions on Use

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### Preferred Citation

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## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

Arranged in two series:

- Personal Papers
- Organizations

### Preservation Note

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## Acquisition Information

Gift of Theresa Valdez, 1979 and 1980.

## Processing Note

Processed by Emiko Hastings in 2005.

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# Detailed Description of the Collection

## Personal Papers

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1	General Correspondence	1973-1976, undated
VF		
1365a	General Correspondence <i>Restricted; redacted copy in folder 1/1.</i>	1974
<b>Minutes</b>		
Box/Folder		
1/2	Community Meetings	1974
1/3	Junta General	1974
<b>Reports</b>		
Box/Folder		
1/4	Sunnyside and Yakima Valley Projects	1969-1971
1/5	Miscellaneous	1972-1975, undated
Box/Folder		

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/6	Proposals	1968-1971, undated
1/7	Speeches and Writings by Others	1966-1970, undated
<b>Subject Files</b>		
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
1/8	Beacon Hill Center	1972
1/9	Castaneda, Guillermo	1970
1/10	Chicano Calmecac	undated
1/11	Chicano Groups	1971-1975, undated
1/12-13, 2/1	Chicano Issues	1973-1975, undated
2/2	Chicano Organizations Nationwide	1969
2/3	Chicano Survey	1971, undated
2/4	Chicano Voter Registration	undated
2/5	Concilio for the Spanish Speaking of King County	1977-1979, undated
2/6	Education	1969-1972, undated
2/7	Immigration	1972, undated
2/8	Kahlotus Issue	1970
2/9	Lettuce Boycott	1974
2/10	Mexican American Federation	1971
2/11	Monroe Reformatory	1973

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
2/12	El Movimiento Generalmente	1969-1970
2/13	National Chicano Forum Steering Committee	1975
3/1	National Chicano Health Organization	undated
3/2	National Chicano Social Science Association	1976
3/3	Northwest Rural Opportunities	1971-1976
3/4	Radio and TV	1969, undated
3/5	La Raza Unida	1967-1972
3/6	Seattle Model City Program - Combined Citizen Participation	1973
3/7	Service Employment Redevelopment (SER)	1974-1976, undated
3/8	Southwest Council of La Raza	1971-1972
3/9	Southwest Regional Office for the Spanish Speaking	1975
3/10	Tijerina, Reies Lopez	1967-1969
3/11-12	United Chicanos (McNeil Island Penitentiary)	1967-1973, undated
4/1	United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (Seattle, Wash.)	1971-1972, undated
4/2	University of Washington Office for Minority Affairs, Health Sciences Center: Grievance	1972-1975
4/3	Washington State Board Against Discrimination	1970, undated
4/4	Washington State Boycott Methods	1970-1975, undated
4/5	Workers Clinic	undated

### **Conferences and Conventions**

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
4/6	National Spanish Speaking Coalition Conference	1971
4/7	Symposium on the Status of Chicanos in U.S. Higher Education	1975
Box/Folder		
4/8	Notes	undated
<b>Newsletters and Publications</b>		
Box/Folder		
4/9	Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MECHA)	1970
4/10	Miscellaneous	1969-1977, undated
5	Thesis: Daniel Tapia Valdes, <i>A Sociological Analysis and Description of the Political Role, Status, and Voting Behavior of Americans with Spanish Names</i> 1 : microfilm reel	1964
<b>Reel-to-Reel Audiotapes</b>		
Box/Folder		
5	Beacon Hill School Situation	undated
5	Dr. Chandler -- Ethnic Minorities in American Politics	undated
5	Evaluation	undated
5	Program Management	undated
5	Support Rally for Chicano Community Center at Beacon Hill School	undated
5	Unidentified 2 : sound tape reels	undated
Box/Folder		

Container(s)	Description	Dates
6/1-2	Clippings	1969-1977, undated
6/3	Ephemera - University of Washington Brown Berets	undated
6/4	Miscellany	1972-1976, undated

## Organizations

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Active Mexicanos</b>		
<i>Box/Folder</i>		
6/5	Organizational Information	1974, undated
6/6	General Correspondence	1970-1971
6/7	Minutes and Agenda	1976
6/8	Reports	1970-1976, undated
6/9	Financial Records: Economic Development Center	1971
<i>VF</i>		
1365b	Financial Records: Economic Development Center <b><i>Restricted; redacted copy in folder 6/9.</i></b>	1971
<i>Box/Folder</i>		
6/10	Contract	1971
6/11	Manuals	1976, undated
6/12	Notes	undated
6/13	Subject File: Ruiz Brothers	1973

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Centro de la Raza (Seattle, Wash.)</b>		
<i>Box/Folder</i>		
6/14-15	General Correspondence Major correspondent: Seattle Model City Program.	1972-1974
6/16	Minutes and Agenda	1972-1973, undated
7/1	Reports	1972-1973, undated
7/2	Notes	1972, undated
7/3	Transcripts of Meetings, Interviews, and Remarks	1972, undated
7/4	Subject Series: Support for Centro de la Raza	1972-1973, undated
7/5	Clippings	1972-1973, undated
<b>Chicano Education Association of the State of Washington</b>		
<i>Box/Folder</i>		
7/6-7	General Correspondence Correspondents include Raul Arellano, Antonio Cardenas, Reymundo Marin.	1969-1977, n.d.
7/8	Minutes and Agenda	1970-1972
7/9	Report: The National Concilio for Chicano Studies	1971
7/10	Speeches and Writings	1972, undated
7/11	News Release	undated
7/12	Mailing Lists	undated
7/13	Clippings	1971



Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
8/1	Chicano English as a Second Language Program Advisory Board	1971-1973
8/2	Equal Opportunity for Spanish-Speaking Americans	1971, undated
8/3	Foundation for Chicano Education	1973-1974
8/4-5	League of United Latin American Citizens, Washington State	1973-1976
<b>Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF)</b>		
Box/Folder		
8/6	Organizational Information	undated
8/7	By-laws	1972
8/8-9	General Correspondence Major correspondent: Vilma S. Martínez.	1975-1978, undated
8/10, 9/1-2	Minutes and Agenda	1974-1978
	Reports	
Box/Folder		
9/3	Annual Reports	1971-1977
9/4-5	Annual Reports to the Board of Directors	1975-1978
9/6, 10/1-3	Miscellaneous	1970-1978
Box/Folder		
10/4	Financial Records	1975-1978
10/5	Membership Records	1974-1978
10/6	Manual	1978

Container(s)	Description	Dates
10/7	Speeches and Writings	1974-1977, undated
10/8	Conference and Convention: Research Symposium on Social Indicators of Institutional Racism - Sexism	1977
10/9	Newsletters	1969-1978
10/10	News Releases	1976-1977, undated
10/11	Agreements	1975, undated
10/12	Ephemera	1975-1977
	Subject Files	
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
10/13	Committee on Community Education and Activation	1977-1978
11/1	Litigation	1971-1976
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
11/2	Clippings	1975-1978, undated
11/3	Miscellany	1973, undated
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
11/4	National Caucus of Chicano Social Scientists	<b>1973-1977, undated</b>
11/5-6	National Chicano Research Network Advisory Board	<b>1975-1978, undated</b>
11/7-8	Northwest Chicano Health Inc.	<b>1977-1978</b>
	<b>Washington State Commission on Mexican American Affairs</b>	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
11/9	Organizational Information	1971
11/10, 12/1-2	General Correspondence Major correspondent: Ricardo R. García, executive secretary.	1971-1973, undated
12/3	Minutes and Agenda	1971-1976, undated
12/4-6	Meeting Files	1972-1973
12/7	Financial Records	1971-1973, undated
12/8	Reports	1975, undated
12/9	Speeches and Writings	1969-1972
12/10	Conference and Convention: El Exito del Mexicano	1972
12/11	News Releases	1975
12/12	Resolutions	1972
12/13	Membership Records	undated
12/14, 13/1-2	Legislation	1962-1973, undated
13/3	Newsletters: Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO	1971
13/4	Notes	1972, undated
<b>Subject Series</b>		
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
13/5	Nebraska Commission on Mexican American Affairs	undated
13/6	Northwest Rural Opportunities	1971-1972, undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
13/7	Miscellany	1967-1972, undated
Inter-Agency Advisory Council		
Box/Folder		
13/8-11	General Correspondence	1971-1976
14/1	Minutes and Agenda	1972-1976
14/2	Membership Records	undated
Farm Workers Family Health Center		
Box/Folder		
14/3	Organizational Information	1971, undated
Box:Oversize		
Miscellaneous Oversize Box 9	Organizational Information	undated
Box/Folder		
14/4	General Correspondence	1972-1975
14/5	Quarterly Progress Reports	1972
14/6	Manual	1971
14/7	Grant File	1970
14/8	Job Descriptions	1972, undated
14/9	Newsletter: <i>Unamonos, la Voz del Campesino</i>	1971

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Washington State Governor's Advisory Committee on Mexican American Affairs</b>		
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
14/10	Organizational Information	undated
14/11	General Correspondence Correspondents include Hank L. Saens, chairman, Washington State Office of Economic Opportunity, and Daniel J. Evans.	1970-1971, undated
	Minutes and Agenda	
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
14/12	Governor's Advisory Committee	1970-1971, undated
14/13	Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MECHA)	1971
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
14/14	Financial Records	1970-1971
14/15	Agreements	1970, undated
14/16	Reports	1970-1971, undated
14/17	Speeches and Writings	undated
14/18	Conference and Convention: Chicano Housing Workshop	1970
14/19	Members' Handbook	undated
14/20	Membership Records	1970, undated
14/21	News Releases	1971
14/22	Resolution	undated
14/23	Clippings	1970-1971

# Names and Subjects

## **Subject Terms :**

Civic leaders--Washington (State)  
Civic leaders--Washington (State)--Seattle--Archives  
Mexican American leadership--Washington (State)  
Mexican American leadership--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Mexican American women college teachers--Washington (State)--Seattle--Archives  
Mexican Americans--Education--Washington (State)  
Mexican Americans--Legal status, laws, etc  
Mexican Americans--Societies, etc  
Mexican Americans--Washington (State)  
Mexican Americans--Washington (State)--Economic conditions--20th century  
Mexican Americans--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Mexican Americans--Washington (State)--Seattle--Economic conditions--20th century  
Mexican Americans--Washington (State)--Seattle--Social conditions--20th century  
Mexican Americans--Washington (State)--Social conditions--20th century

## **Personal Names :**

García, Ricardo R  
Martínez, Vilma S  
Shepro, Theresa Aragon de--Archives

## **Corporate Names :**

Active Mexicanos Economic Development Center (Seattle, Wash.)  
Centro de la Raza (Seattle, Wash.)  
Chicano Education Association of the State of Washington  
Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund  
Seattle Model City Program  
University of Washington--Faculty  
Washington (State). Commission on Mexican American Affairs  
Washington (State). Governor's Advisory Committee on Mexican American Affairs

## **Geographical Names :**

Seattle (Wash.)--Ethnic relations  
Washington (State)--Ethnic relations

## **Form or Genre Terms :**

Clippings (Books, newspapers, etc.)  
conferences  
correspondence  
financial records  
manuals (instructional materials)  
Microfilms  
minutes  
Newsletters  
reports  
Sound recordings  
Speeches, addresses, etc  
writings

## **Other Creators :**

### **Corporate Names :**

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