

Collection #  
SC 3342

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR AND NATIONAL  
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE  
MATERIALS, 1977–1978**

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## **HISTORICAL SKETCH**

The **International Women's Year** (IWY) was created by the United Nations and private organizations to call attention to women's issues. The national organization that oversaw the year's activities was the National Commission on the Observance of International Women's Year; each state had its own Co-ordinating Committee which raised funds and served as an outreach point to the community.

In late 1975, the decision was made to expand the International Women's Year into the International Women's Decade. With the support of the United Nations, conferences were held around the world to discuss women's issues. The International Women's Decade ended in 1985.

The **National Women's Conference** was a federally mandated and funded meeting held as part of the observance of International Women's Year. Elected delegates from the fifty U.S. states and six U.S. territories met to make recommendations to President Carter and Congress on how best to eliminate sexual discrimination in the U.S. It was the first national meeting ever held to specifically address the concerns of women in the U.S.

Sources:

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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection contains a three-page paper about the National Women's Year Conference in 1977 and a news clipping regarding an anti-International Women's Year display at the Indiana Statehouse in 1978.

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