

**SSE 16**  
**Edmundite Mission Corps**

**Dates**

1992-2004, Bulk 1996-2004

**Physical Description**

2 boxes

**Arrangement**

Arranged alpha-numerically into 9 series; Administration; Americorps; Colleges; Financial; Grants; Mission Sites; Newsletters; Personnel; Publications.

**History**

The Edmundite Mission Corps (EMC) was founded in 1992 by the Society of Saint Edmund as a year-long volunteer program for college graduates, engaging in ministry among the poor in the African-American Community of the South. Serving the communities of Selma, Alabama and New Orleans, Louisiana. Corps members worked directly within the communities as teachers and social workers in schools, parishes, state and private organizations, and Edmundite programs which addressed the housing, health, nutrition and educational needs of the poor in those communities. Volunteers lived together, embracing a simple lifestyle in a Christian community to gain a greater understanding of the needs of the poor, and a deeper spiritual commitment to the Church's mission of promoting social justice, as well as fostering one's own spirituality. The EMC existed from 1992-2004. It ceased when financial considerations combined with the difficulty of keeping a core group of volunteers made the program unsustainable.

**Scope/Contents**

This collection includes documentation and administrative paperwork pertaining to the Americorps/EMC service volunteer program. It includes volunteer applications, contracts, job descriptions and evaluations; mission site information and resources; EMC office correspondence and administration; EMC newsletters, religious and community-living developmental resources, and various collected publications and journals. Also included are a plaque, banner, and scrapbook. The volunteer personnel files included in this collection are only a partial collection, and the earliest personnel file is dated 1996.

**Container list**

**Box 1**

Administration Alumni Addresses  
Administration Annual Report 1999-2000  
Administration Edmundite Personnel Directories  
Administration Forms-Blank  
Administration Recruitment Fairs 2003-2004  
Administration Retreats, Reunions, Ceremonies  
Administration Year-end Volunteer Questionnaires  
Americorps 1998-2001 Volunteer Administration  
Americorps 1999-2001 Member Survey Results  
Americorps 2001 Volunteers-Reduced-Part-Time  
Americorps 2002-2004 Volunteer/Program Admin.  
Colleges Short-Term Volunteer Info/Corres./Schedules  
Financial Budgets 1999-2004  
Grants 2002-2004 EMC/Heifer/YMIA  
Mission Sites Directions  
Mission Sites New Orleans-Bishop Perry MS  
Mission Sites Selma Habitat for Humanity  
Mission Sites Selma Youth Development Center  
Mission Sites Site Visits-BPMS  
Mission Sites Volunteer Community Development  
Mission Sites Volunteer Requests-Selma  
Mission Sites Vredenberg "Leadership Now"  
Newsletters EMC Alumni Newsletters  
Personnel (Names available upon request)

**Box 2**

Personnel (Names available upon request)  
Publications BPMS-"Habari Njema"  
Publications EMC Handbook, Pamphlets, Drafts  
Publicity Local Newspapers-photocopies  
Various Collected Publications-Magazines  
Various EMC Banner  
Various Guest Log  
Various Plaque  
Various Scrapbook