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## FINDING AID

**Date Range:** 1973-1992**Bulk Date:** 1978-1980; 1989; 1991**Creator:** Paterson Museum**Number and Type of Containers:** 6 Folders**Storage Location:****Aid Created By:** Grace LaBruno, Intern

**Historical Information:** The Great Falls Development Corporation was founded in 1971 and spearheaded by historic preservationist Mary Ellen Kramer (1937-1993). The non-profit was created with the purpose of rehabilitating and conserving the Great Falls Historical District, as well as connecting the local community to their history. The organization later changed its name to the Great Falls Preservation and Development Corporation. The GFPDC has resided in and managed 2 Market Street (former erecting shop of the Rogers locomotive and machine works) since 1981.

**Scope and Content:** The records are newsletters for the Paterson Historic District, S.U.M/Historic District Inc., published by the Great Falls Development Corp. They are full page (8.5 x 11) sheets, stapled into booklets. The curated newsletters were created between 1973-1992. They primarily focus on the opening of new businesses and developments within the city, such as the preservation of historic sites. Achievements of the local citizenry, and news about local politicians are heavily featured within the newsletters. Furthermore, community

events, such as art exhibitions and town celebrations are frequently published. Some articles focus on the city's history of industrialization and a location of significance for historical figures, like Alexander Hamilton.

**Series:** Collection organized by date. Archive staff created folders. For storage purposes, up to three copies of each newsletters in the best condition were retained.