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Collection Information

Abstract : The collection contains complete histories of families who used the home as a temporary residence or Day Nursery from 1907- 1951. Information included; parents and

children's names, date and place of birth, employment. Reasons for entering the home and length of stay.

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Historical/Biographical Notes

The Temporary Home and Day Nursery was established to meet the needs of women and children seeking shelter due to various hardships. The home looked after their welfare while there and assisted women in obtaining work or establishing their homes upon departure. It began in 1883 as part of the benevolent work of Union Church in Worcester. In 1887, the day nursery

and kindergarten expanded and became too much work for one church so more churches offered assistance. In 1889, the need for a temporary home became evident and at the request of several physicians, a temporary home was added and the name changed to the Temporary Home and Day Nursery. The first home at 202 Southbridge Street was used for twenty-one years until the site was no longer suitable for their needs.

In 1906, a building fund was started, which with several legacies made it possible in 1909 to purchase land on Edward Street and begin building. The Temporary Home and Day Nursery opened its doors at 11 Edwards Street in June 1910. The home was in operation until 1951 when it became Edward Street Day Nursery that offered expanded daytime nursery facilities. Edward Street Day Nursery closed its doors in early 2000 after over 100 years of service.

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8		2004.04.18.39-.78	Names E – K
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9		2004.04.20.54-.98	Names E – K
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10			Index of names A – F
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12			Index of names N - Z

