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San Antonio Bicentennial Committee Records, 1971-1977 (b. 1974-1976)

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The United States celebrated its 200th anniversary, its Bicentennial, on July 4, 1976. As part of the celebration, committees were set up at national, state, and municipal levels to plan Bicentennial celebration events across the country.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

The collection provides an overview of Bicentennial activities in the city of San Antonio during 1975 and 1976.

ARRANGEMENT:

- I. Subject files
- II. Special events and activities
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Subjects:

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- American Revolution Bicentennial, 1976.
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