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Pamela Johnson-Betts collection

Collection

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Overview

The Pamela Johnson-Betts collection includes awards, laminated newspaper clippings, correspondence, speeches, and a few personal items. Johnson-Betts was the first African American social worker to be hired by the Topeka Public Schools, served on the cabinet of Kansas Governor Kathleen Sebelius as the Secretary of the Department on Aging, and is the executive director of the Topeka Public Schools Foundation.

Dates

- Creation: 1969 - 2021

Creator

- Johnson-Betts, Pamela, 1950- (Compiler, Person)

Biography of Pamela Johnson-Betts (1950-)

Pamela Johnson-Betts was born in 1950, the only child of Leslie Gardenhire Johnson and Charles O. Johnson. She grew up in Topeka, Kansas, attending kindergarten at Washington Elementary School, one of the all-Black schools mentioned in the 1954 *Brown v Board of Education* Supreme Court case. She then attended Topeka Lutheran School for the rest of elementary and some of junior high before graduating 9th grade from East Topeka Junior High. After graduating...

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