

# A Guide to the Dulles Area Chapter of N.O.W. Collection, 1981-1997

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## Descriptive Summary

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### Abstract

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### Creator

Dulles Area Chapter of N.O.W.

### Extent

1.88 linear feet

### Repository

Fairfax County Public Library

## Administrative Information

### Access Restrictions

None

### Use Restrictions

Consult Repository Information

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## Separated Material

None

## Related Material

[Virginia Chapter of the National Organization for Women Records, 1971-2004, 2011.](#) Library of Virginia

Dulles Area [NOW News](#) and [Woman Power](#). National Organization for Women chapter newsletter collection, 1967-2008. Schlesinger Library, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University.

[Records of the National Organization for Women, 1959-2002 \(inclusive\), 1966-1998 \(bulk\) 1959-2002.](#)

Schlesinger Library, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University.

## Historical and Biographical Information

The Dulles Area Chapter of N.O.W. was organized on August 1981, drew members from Loudoun County, Fairfax and Manassas, and congregated in Reston/Herndon. Chapter members organized and joined protests against Air France (1987-1988) and the Virginia Military Institute. Among their many activities, the Chapter offered clinic escort services, workshops, and was an active participant in the March for Women's Equity/Women's Lives (1989), Mobilize for Women's Lives (1989), and We Won't Go Back, We Will Fight Back March (1992). The Dulles Area N.O.W. Chapter unanimously voted to split from N.O.W. in 1998, following public clashes with the organization's state and national leadership. The group remains active and maintains a [digital archive](#) of their activities from 1998 to the present.

## Scope and Content

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## Index Terms

Dulles Area N.O.W. Chapter

Feminism -- United States -- History -- 1901-2000.

National Organization for Women

Political activists -- United States

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United States -- Social conditions -- 1980-2020

Women political activists

Women -- Political activity -- Virginia -- History.

Women's rights -- Virginia.

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**Box 1 Folder 7: Newsletters, 1990**

**Box 1 Folder 8: Newsletters, 1991**

**Box 1 Folder 9: Rosters, 1983**

**Box 1 Folder 10: Rosters , 1995**

**Box 1 Folder 11: Rosters, 1997**

**Box 2: "It's a Man's World Unless Women Vote and Run"  
Outreach Banner, ca. 1980**

**Box 2: "The First Ten Years" Scrapbook, Volume 1, 1981-1989**

**Box 2: "The First Ten Years" Scrapbook, Volume 2, 1990-1992**