

Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Carol Goss

Overview of the Collection

Repository:	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
Creator:	Goss, Carol, 1947-
Title:	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss,
Dates:	March 16, 2022
Bulk Dates:	2022
Physical Description:	9 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:04:23).
Abstract:	Nonprofit executive and social worker Carol Goss (1947 -) was president and CEO of Detroit's Skillman Foundation from 2004 to 2013. She also was a program director for the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Goss was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on March 16, 2022, in Detroit, Michigan. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
Identification:	A2022_025
Language:	The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Nonprofit executive and social worker Carol Goss was born on October 21, 1947, in Detroit, Michigan, to Blanche and Booker Goings. She received her B.A. degree in sociology in 1969 and her M.S.W. degree in 1972, both from the University of Michigan, in Ann Arbor.

After finishing her undergraduate studies, Goss became a public welfare worker for the Wayne County Department of Social Services in Detroit, Michigan. After receiving her M.S.W. degree, she became a clinical social worker for Family and Children's Services of Oakland County in Pontiac, Michigan. She later became the director of special services for Family and Neighborhood Services in Inkster, Michigan, then assistant to the regional director of Lutheran Child and Family Services in Detroit. From 1981 to 1986, Goss worked for the Children's Home Society of California, serving as a social worker, social work supervisor, and director of Children's Emergency Services. In 1987, she became program director at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation in Battle Creek, Michigan. Goss became a program officer for the Stuart Foundation in San Francisco, California, in 1993. In 1998, Goss joined the Skillman Foundation in Detroit as a program officer. She was promoted to vice president of programs in 2002 and president and CEO in 2004. Goss retired from the Skillman Foundation in 2013.

Goss has served on the boards of the University of Michigan Alumni Association, City Connect Detroit, the Council of Michigan Foundations, the Council on Foundations, the Education Achievement Authority, Living Cities, New Detroit, Inc., the Youth Development Commission, BoardSource, Lutheran Social Services of Michigan, the Detroit Children's Fund, as chair of the Safe Routes to Schools National Partnership, and as a fellow of the Advanced Leadership Initiative at Harvard University.

Goss's honors and awards include the Shining Light Awards' Eleanor Josaistis Unsung Hero Award, the Association of Black Foundation Executives' 2007 James A. Joseph Lectureship, the 2009 Fred Rogers Leadership Award, being named one of Southeast Michigan's Most Influential Women by *Crain's Detroit Business* and one of

the 2010 Michiganians of the Year by *The Detroit News*, an honorary doctorate from Eastern Michigan University, the Grantmakers for Children, and the 2021 National Association of Social Workers' Michigan Chapter Lifetime Achievement Award.

Goss and her husband, Tom Goss, live in Detroit, Michigan. They have three children, Anika, Fatima, and Maloni.

Carol Goss was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on March 16, 2022.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Carol Goss was conducted by Larry Crowe on March 16, 2022, in Detroit, Michigan, and was recorded on 9 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Nonprofit executive and social worker Carol Goss (1947 -) was president and CEO of Detroit's Skillman Foundation from 2004 to 2013. She also was a program director for the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.

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Related Material

Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Persons:

Goss, Carol, 1947-

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Goss, Carol, 1947---Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Foundation Chief Executive

HistoryMakers® Category:

CivicMakers

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Interview footage was recorded by The HistoryMakers®. All rights to the interview have been transferred to The HistoryMakers® by the interview subject through a signed interview release form. Signed interview release forms have been deposited with Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago.

Preferred Citation

The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, March 16, 2022. The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection, 1900 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_001, TRT: 1:28:50 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_002, TRT: 2:30:08 ?
Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_003, TRT: 3:29:49 ?
Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_004, TRT: 4:29:19 ?
Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_005, TRT: 5:29:36 ?
Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_006, TRT: 6:30:05 ?
Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_007, TRT: 7:30:11 ?
Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_008, TRT: 8:27:32 ?
Video Oral History Interview with Carol Goss, Section A2022_025_001_009, TRT: 9:08:53 ?