

4. Level of operations

There is no operating experience under the program from which data can be derived to answer this question.

5. Estimated magnitude of program in 1970

It is anticipated that the 1970 level of the program will reach \$30 million; this is the maximum amount which has been authorized in the enabling legislation. In enactment of this legislation, Congress recognized that the rapid expansion of our urban communities has caused severe problems in urban and suburban development and has created a national need to provide special training in those skills required to cope with these problems and required programs. The rapid growth of our urban areas, which by 1990, will see 8 out of every 10 Americans living in urban communities, emphasizes that the need for these program aids will increase, rather than diminish.

6. Prospective changes in program orientation

As indicated, the increased number of urban dwellers and the vastly increased amounts of land which will be required to house them and provide locations for businesses and industries will create problems in the fields of community facilities, housing, traffic control, air pollution, and intergovernmental cooperation. The demands for skilled and experienced technicians will grow correspondingly—and in fact, at a higher rate, since the problems will be more complex, and larger amounts of funds will have to be spent to keep the urban communities viable and efficient.

There is no new legislation pending which will affect this program. Actual program experience must be gained and evaluated before administrative and organizational changes could be considered.

7. Coordination and cooperation

Coordination of this program, within the Department, will be accomplished through the HUD Research and Demonstration Coordinating Board.

Coordination with other departments and agencies will be achieved through the National Advisory Council on Extension and Continuing Education.

It is intended that the program, once underway, will function as a "clearinghouse" with regard to State training programs and research activities carried on by their counterparts.

States will be responsible for coordinating title VIII activity within their boundaries and among their local governments. It is important to note that the plans and mechanisms for achieving and promoting this coordination must be demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Secretary, HUD, as a condition to the Department's making of a training and research grant.

Foreign governments and international organizations will not be directly involved in this program, although the activities of the HUD Office of International Housing will supply a communication channel to foreign countries with regard to progress and achievements under this program.

Nonprofit organizations and institutions, such as colleges, universities, and urban study centers will be directly involved in providing training and research facilities under this program. Their activities will be coordinated under the State plans, as approved by the Secretary, HUD.