

ion to pupil needs. The assignment of additional teachers at the secondary level has also achieved reduction in class sizes, with particular emphasis placed upon strengthening of pupil language and computational skills.

J. Head Start.—During the summer of 1965, the Albuquerque Public Schools sponsored a Head Start program funded from the Office of Economic Opportunity. The initial project provided an eight-week child development and pre-school program for 1200 children prior to their entry into first grade. The program offered the full range of educational, health, counseling, and parent education services recommended by the Office of Economic Opportunity.

An expanded Head Start project was implemented in the summer of 1966 accommodating approximately 2400 children for an eight-week period. Funding for the project was provided through both the Office of Economic Opportunity and Title I. Again, a comprehensive range of educational and supplemental family services in the areas of health and counseling was provided.

K. Program Evaluation.—In the summer of 1966 an office of program evaluation was established and a research psychologist employed to implement scientific research techniques in the evaluation of new programs. A variety of methodology, ranging from statistical techniques to the systematized eliciting of parental and teacher responses, is being employed in the assessment process. The most recent educational measurement devices and data processing facilities are being used to produce a valid and precise reading of the effects of the new programs upon students. The data required for a full-scale assessment of the past year's operation of the Title I program are not yet available. Such data will soon be available, however, due to the testing and measurements that have been implemented through the office of program evaluation.

Exhibits A through D of this report provide examples of the techniques being employed to evaluate the Title I program.

TITLE II—SCHOOL LIBRARY RESOURCES, TEXTBOOKS, AND OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

Despite intensive growth pressures resulting in the need for many additional classrooms every year, the Albuquerque Public Schools have been able to make some progress in expansion of library programs. Title II, E.S.E.A., has provided a most needed opportunity to accelerate local expansion of school libraries, particular at the elementary level. As noted earlier, library programing is a significant component of Title I program. Title II has proved to be a most beneficial and logical corollary to Title I in the over-all E.S.E.A. Albuquerque program. Schools not included in the Title I program have also benefitted from Title II in the supplementing of school library programs. Experimental and innovative library programs have been accelerated by Title II funds. In three areas of the city, school libraries are serving as community resources by providing evening and summer library programs.¹

During the 1965-66 school year, a total of \$137,859.00 was allocated to Albuquerque under the New Mexico Title II State Plan. For the 1966-67 school year, a total of \$122,646.00 has been allocated, with an additional allocation expected in the spring.

TITLE III—SUPPLEMENTARY EDUCATIONAL CENTERS AND SERVICES

Albuquerque has received several grants under Title III of E.S.E.A. for the purpose of planning and operating projects new to the New Mexico educational and cultural scene. Planning of the projects has involved a wide range of local and state cultural and educational resources.

The various new programs made possible through Title III are summarized in the following passages:

A. OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTER

In April 1966 work was begun under a Title III grant to plan an outdoor education center to be located at a 130 acre site owned by the Albuquerque Public Schools in the Sandia Mountain range, twenty miles from Albuquerque. In January 1967 the application for an operational grant to implement programing at the center was approved by the U.S. Office of Education.

¹ Sandoval Elementary School, northwest Albuquerque; Emerson Elementary School, southeast Albuquerque; Kit Carson-Ernie Pyle Joint Library, southwest Albuquerque (program to be initiated, spring, 1967).