

INTRODUCTION

In order to evaluate the effectiveness of Job Corps Training, Louis Harris and Associates is conducting a continuing study of Job Corps terminations (graduates, dropouts, discharges). In February and May of 1967 we interviewed ex-Corpsmen who had left centers six months earlier (August and November 1966 respectively). In August 1967 we will interview February 1967 terminations and in November 1967 we will interview May 1967 terminations.

In these initial interviews we will examine: a) the pre-Job Corps work history of each respondent, b) their attitudes toward the Job Corps with particular emphasis on life in the centers and the job training received, c) What each individual did immediately after leaving the Job Corps. Did they get a job, go to school or become unemployed? d) What each individual is doing currently (i.e. six months after leaving the Job Corps), -- working, going to school or unemployed.

Twelve months after the initial interview each respondent will be contacted again to find out what he is doing at that time. Then, twelve months after this second interview we will attempt to contact each respondent for a third time to determine again, at that point, whether he is working, going to school or is unemployed.

This study plan permits us to look at both the short range and the long range impact of the Job Corps, for we will not only be able to look at the status of each individual immediately after leaving the center and six months later but also eighteen months and thirty months after termination.