## I. Community Relations Councils

## A. PURPOSE

"... it is vitally necessary that positive center-community relations be maintained; an organized, continuously working partnership must be established between the center and the community at all levels. If planned and carried out with the interests and needs of both in mind, the most effective instrument for this is the Community Relations Council.

"The Council can be an important part of fast, friendly, frank and accurate communications between the center and its support communities. It should act as a sounding-board. It should provide -- through the channels and community resources at hand -- worthwhile social, recreational and even educational activities for the Job Corpsmen during their training ... And the Corpsmen can, through the council's auspices, participate meaningfully in community affairs, in special events, and in joint projects."

(from the Manual for Job Corps Community Relations, 1966.)

## B. NUMBER OF COUNCILS AND COMPOSITION

There are 152 Community Relations and Youth Councils organized, comprised of approximately 2,584 members across the nation.

These members represent the following areas of interest and responsibility:

City Government
State and County Government
Education
Business and Industry
Youth
Anti-Poverty Agencies
Churches
Social/Service Groups
Medical Profession
Miscellaneous Professions
Individual Citizens

Minority Groups
Human Relations Agencies
Legal Profession
Law Enforcement
Labor Unions
Press / News Media
Women's Organizations
Arts and Letters
Institutions
Job Corps Center Staff
Other Federal Agencies