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W. P. Kelly  
Director Job Corps  
Office of Economic Opportunity  
Executive Office of the President  
Washington, D. C. 20506

Dear Mr. Kelly:

Since its inception, the McCoy Job Corps Center staff has been most considerate and cooperative. They have been practical minded and appeared to have made no snap judgments or action. The problems that have arisen have been few and well controlled by the management.

The influx of staff to this community has not only increased our population but furnished this community with several fine teachers and participants in our various cultural programs. A number are active in our several service clubs.

As would be expected, the economic status of the community has risen from the location of the center near Tomah. The corpsmen purchase program in itself has given a boost to business. Much of the salaries received by the staff is being spent locally thereby effecting the economy. Contracted work or supplies likewise involved makes a difference.

The general attitude of the community toward the Job Corps program has improved now that the camp is established and a functioning facility. During the time the program was being finalized, a considerable number of questions arose in the minds of our citizens as a result of the inconsistent information released and reading of problems experienced by other centers.

In our contacts, the attitude and deportment of the corpsmen has been outstanding. Several projects have been accomplished through Job Corps personnel assistance. Installation of Christmas decorations and preparation of a toboggan slide area on county property are good examples. With less than one half of the anticipated student load having reported, plus a severe winter, cooperative projects have been hampered. An art show is on display at one of the local banks now. Each new activity as well as good local public relation releases has raised the status of the Job Corps program considerably. Additional offers of service to the community have been made and we expect to take advantage of them in the future.

The McCoy Job Corps Center under the direction of Mr. H. Mills and his staff has been good for this community. Congratulations on your appointment as Director of the Job Corps.

Sincerely yours,

*John Graf*  
John Graf  
President

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