



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

SAN ANTONIO 5, TEXAS

March 14, 1967

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

Dear Mr. Kelly:

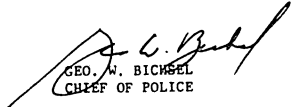
In response to your questions about the effect of the Job Corps Center on the community:

The Job Corps plan has benefitted this community by providing an opportunity for unskilled young men to learn a useful trade. This community has a surplus of unskilled labor and a shortage of skilled labor.

Camp Gary Corpsmen visit San Antonio over week ends and contribute to retail sales by purchasing clothing and other items. There is very little participation by Camp Gary Corpsmen in community affairs in San Antonio. This may improve if plans for a local service club materialized.

When Camp Gary first opened and corpsmen began visiting San Antonio, a few of them were involved in serious crimes which resulted in the Corps acquiring a bad reputation. Steps were taken to offset this. Louis H. Buttons was assigned to the San Antonio area to aid in resolving these problems. This has been a big help and there have been no serious offenses on the part of Camp Gary Corpsmen in the last year.

Sincerely,


GEO. W. BICHSEL
CHIEF OF POLICE

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