

fore, we said that "Of the money we delegate you have to use a certain percent—it was \$22 million—to keep alive the Foster Grandparents and Green Thumb programs which are in existence." That is what I think some of those people were referring to.

Mr. QUJE. Will that mortgaging of the money continue or was that just in the first year?

Mr. SHRIVER. That was a part of the transfer.

Mr. QUJE. But after the transfer are they able to make up their own minds or will OEO still ride herd on them?

Mr. SHRIVER. They make up their minds on a grant-by-grant basis but we reserve the right to monitor the programs and make sure that they are, in fact, being operated and are beneficial to the poor. That is part of the job of this agency, to make sure that the standards of the programs are maintained and we do that not only on behalf of programs like that but let's say the Job Corps rural or conservation centers. We investigate them and work with the departments involved to make sure that they are performing properly and there have not been any serious difference of opinion about that responsibility or the success of it.

Could I say another thing on the foster grandparents? We have no objection to having, so to speak, rich grandparents in the program and under the VISTA associates program, where people volunteer, or want to volunteer we welcome them.

The only place that we say the poor should receive priority is when we have to actually spend money. If we have to spend money to hire foster grandparents, the qualified poor elderly should get a shot at those jobs before a rich person gets it and if there are a lot of babies not getting attention, we should give it to the poor ones.

Our responsibility is to concentrate on the poor, not the others. That is our job.

Chairman PERKINS. Following up that question on the programs that have been transferred, in your fiscal 1968 budget I would think notwithstanding the fact that this has been transferred to the Office of Education that it would be necessary in many community action programs throughout the country for your Office to expend more funds on adult basic education because I think the amount that is in the budget is only a drop in the bucket. Am I correct in that statement? I am talking about additional funds on your part.

Mr. SHRIVER. There is plenty of need for it, yes, sir.

Mr. STEIGER. Would the gentleman yield?

Chairman PERKINS. I yield first to the gentleman from Illinois.

Mr. PUCINSKI. How many agencies participate in this health center program?

Mr. SHRIVER. How many agencies of the U.S. Government?

Mr. PUCINSKI. Yes.

Mr. SHRIVER. Joe, do you want to talk about how many agencies participate?

Dr. ENGLISH. I can think of two immediately; one, the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare who have been of great help to us. Our program is integrated totally with their health programs. Mr. Shriver and Secretary Gardner just signed an agreement that makes sure that there is not only programmatic integration but the moneys are integrated, too.