

tees. We shared with them the need to plan expansion of programs and requested that they involve representation from the area board, in which they are located, to participate in the planning. In addition, we requested that they reconsider the criteria by which they determine eligibles to their Board of Trustees to allow for greater participation of the poor in a policy level position. All of these processes have been going on in seven short months since Federal Funds were received. We will continue to be sensitive to the needs to evolve a Corporation that represents the interests of the poor for we are, in fact, custodians of their monies.

PARTICIPATION OF MUNICIPAL AGENCIES

Upon recommendation of the Executive Committee of the United Community Corporation, the Mayor established a Coordinating Committee for the development of human resources under the Business Administrator. This Committee, composed of representatives from agencies and organizations that receive or could receive anti-poverty funds, or funds through other relevant legislation meets bi-weekly. It is a vehicle for keeping the Mayor informed on all matters relating to program activities.

The Corporation has contracted with the Senior Citizens Commission of Newark to prepare a city-wide proposal for programs for the elderly. The Board of Education administered the "Head Start" Program and has participated in the planning of Educational Programs by our delegate agencies. The City Museum is participating along with the Mayor's Office in the development of a proposal for a city-wide Arts and Culture Program. The Department of Welfare is screening welfare recipients as prospective trainees in the Blazer Council Work Training Program. The Police Department, through the Police Athletic League, was the delegate agency which administered the Summer Neighborhood Block Recreation Improvement Program, which provided recreation, camp experience, and work training opportunities for Newark youth.

Finally, the Bureau of Employment Service, Division of Employment Security have provided counselling and guidance services for various Neighborhood Youth Corp Projects and has been utilized as a source of staff recruitment, screening and evaluating candidates for this Corporation.

The late President John F. Kennedy in his inaugural address stated that the torch has been passed on to a new generation and implored communities to begin the reconstruction of democracy. We have begun in the City of Newark. The United Community Corporation has dedicated itself to creating a better day for citizens, some of whom have suffered for generations from the ravages of inequality and poverty. With the help of the City Council, the Mayor and the community itself, we will win this fight.

APPENDIX II

NEWARK MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,
Newark, N.J., September 2, 1965.

Dean WILLARD C. HECKEL,
President, United Community Corporation,
Newark, N.J.

DEAR DEAN HECKEL: Pursuant to a motion made, seconded and duly adopted at the Newark Municipal Council meeting, President Villani appointed Councilmen Addonizio, Bernsten and Turner a Council Committee to Study the Anti-Poverty Program.

This is to advise you that the committee has started the study of this program and will hold its first public hearing at 8 p.m., Thursday, September 9, 1965 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Newark. You are invited to appear before the committee at that time.

It is requested that a list of all Anti-Poverty Programs, proposed programs, complete personnel file on all employees, a list of employees by name, title, duties, salary and residence; and funds appropriated, expended and proposed be made available to the committee by 10 a.m., Wednesday, September 8, 1965.

A staff member of this committee will be in touch with you to personally expedite delivery of this information.

Sincerely yours,

FRANK ADDONIZIO,

Chairman, Committee to Study Anti-Poverty Program.