

3676 ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1967

Nurses are on duty 24 hours a day at the centers. Doctors and dentists are available. Girls are advised on health and hygiene, and are taught the importance of personal attention to physical fitness, as well as the use of community health services.

Resident advisors live with the girls and are available for advice and guidance. Girls live with one of three roommates. Student government is encouraged and girls participate in setting and enforcing rules and regulations. Group activities, such as student newspapers, and participation in extra-curricular activities—both on and off center—are especially encouraged.

Women's centers, each accommodating from 300 to 1000 Corpswomen, are operated under contracts with business organizations, universities and educational and social service agencies. These organizations recruit and employ all center staffs.

Job Corps enrollees receive a living allowance of \$30 a month—before taxes—plus room, board, clothing and medical and dental care. And \$50 a month is set aside for each girl during her stay, as terminal pay. Up to \$25 of the monthly terminal allowance may be allotted to a dependent parent or other relative, with the Job Corps matching this amount. An enrollee travels to and from the center at government expense, and may make one round trip home a year at government expense.

The training as a clerk-typist received by Ethel Hall of 2426 Druid landed her a job at NASA. She was graduated from the center at Guthrie, Okla., and was graduated from George Washington Carver High School and attended business college before signing up for the corps.

Dorothy Hicks, 9803 Rebel, took her clerk-typist training at Clinton, Iowa. She hasn't been working this summer, but has a job for the fall when she will be employed full time. She is a graduate of Wheatley.

Vernell Hilliard, 708 Cleveland, not only enjoyed every minute of her stay at the Omaha center but has had a grand summer working with the Headstart program. She is a key punch operator and will start work this fall. She attended Yates High School and was graduated from San Jacinto High School.

Frankie Jordan, 5230 Carmen, works as a key punch operator for Texaco. She attended JCCW in Huntington and hopes to attend a business college later. She is a graduate of Worthing High School.

FILE CLERK

Rosalie Nellums, 4718 Rawley is employed at Ben Taub Hospital as a file clerk. She had graduated from Wheatley High School in 1963 where she had taken typing and a business course. When the opportunity came to further her education in the Job Corps, she entered the program and trained at Huntington.

Robbie Jones, 2322 Live Oak, trained as a PBX operator and general clerk at the Omaha Center. She attended Yates, dropped out, and then attended night classes until she got her high school diploma.

Brenda Freeman, 1605 West attended the Clinton JCCW and is a key punch operator. So far she hasn't found work, but hasn't been home long and hopes to find something this fall. She was graduated from Wheatley.

Clara Brooks, 1030 Sydnor, trained to be a nursing assistant at the Los Angeles Center. She attended E. O. Smith Junior High School and took special academic subjects at the center.

WICS—NO PLACE FOR IDEALISTS: RECRUITING WOMEN'S JOB CORPS VOLUNTEERS IS NO SIMPLE CHORE

Women in Community Service weren't exactly starry-eyed idealists when they started recruiting for the Women's Job Corps two years ago.

The average volunteer in the ecumenical group was 40 years old, and her background was studded with religious and civic accomplishments.

"But we just didn't realize the extent of the problem. We just didn't know how poverty could damage a young person," said Mrs. Joseph Wiesenthal, project director.

FORTY VOLUNTEERS HERE

In some ways, Mrs. Wiesenthal, a member of two Jewish congregations and a leader in the annual interfaith workshop, exemplifies the WICS volunteer. When she took the director's job, she thought that nothing could surprise her.