

superior as Mr. Shriver which has persuaded me that government programs need not necessarily be wasteful, inefficient, and ineffective.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN C. ESTY, Jr.,
Headmaster.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN,
New York, N.Y., July 26, 1967.

HON. CARL PERKINS,
Chairman, Committee on Education and Labor, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. PERKINS: The members of the National Council of Jewish Women are actively engaged in the War on Poverty by sponsoring a variety of programs and contributing thousands of hours of volunteer service to numerous community activities designed to help people help themselves.

Recently we asked some of our local Sections to give us their evaluation of the poverty program. We are enclosing a report we received from the President of our Dayton, Ohio Section with the thought that the information contained in the report might be of interest to you.

Any comments you may wish to make will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

MRS. LEONARD H. WEINER,
National President.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN,
DAYTON SECTION,
Dayton, Ohio, July 4, 1967.

MRS. OLYA MARGOLIN,
National Council of Jewish Women,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR MRS. MARGOLIN: Forgive the handwritten text. It's the 4th of July and I am my own typewriter and secretary. Since you are pressed for time, I thought I would not delay until tomorrow. I trust my penned notes will be legible enough for you to glean the observations, comments and opinions of a worm's eye field evaluation of OEO in this southwestern part of Ohio.

First let me give some background of this area, referred to regionally as Miami Valley against which OEO programs and projects were initiated and subsequently implemented.

Community Characteristics: The six (6) County Community is an urban-rural complex, comprising a little less than one million population and about 2,000 square miles. The major city is Dayton, Montgomery County with a population of 250,000 in the city and 600,000 for the County. The incidence of poverty increases with the rural population although there is heavy concentration of poverty in the Negro ghetto of Dayton's inner west side. The following chart will give you an over-view of the area. All figures are approximate and stated in round numbers.

County	Population	Urban-rural	Incidence of poverty (percent)	Number of non- whites	Others
Montgomery-----	600,000	Urban-----	12.2	63,000	Industry.
Greene-----	150,000	do-----	13.0	7,000	University.
Darke-----	50,000	Rural-----	25.7	300	Migrant.
Warren-----	70,000	do-----	14.4	1,000	Farm.
Miami-----	80,000	do-----	16.6	1,500	Do.
Preble-----	40,000	do-----	21.6	200	Migrant.

Dayton is a middle-sized industrial city, dominated by manufacturing, National Cash Register (NCR), Frigidaire, Delco and the like are the leaders. Precision instruments are a major commodity. It is also the locale for Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Technical personnel is at a premium. The inner west side is densely populated by the Negro community. On the inner East side, there is a sizeable white Appalachian population (approximately 17%), many of