



LOCAL PROGRAM PROPOSAL

This form is to be used by local organizations in the 11 southern states to request financial assistance from the Voter Education Project (VEP) to support nonpartisan programs of voter registration, citizenship education, and leadership development.

VEP SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE ONLY TO LOCAL GROUPS WHICH DO NOT ENDORSE CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE AND PLAN TO ENGAGE IN STRICTLY NONPARTISAN POLITICAL ORGANIZING. ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CANDIDATES CANNOT HOLD POSITIONS IN VEP-SUPPORTED PROGRAMS.

1. ORGANIZATIONAL INFORMATION

Name of Group or Organization: National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) San Antonio Section

Address: 609 S. Walters St.

City: San Antonio State: Texas Zip: 78203

Contact Person: Mrs. Beatrice Clay Position: President

Telephone: (Home) 512 / 534-1754 (Office) _____

General Purpose of Organization: The development and utilization of the leadership of women in community, national and international life.

Date Organization Founded: 1935

Has Your Organization Received VEP Support In The Past? No When? _____

2. PROGRAM AREA PROFILE

Area in which program will take place (Attach map if available):

San Antonio and Bexar County. Emphasis East side of San Antonio AND SOUTH SIDE

Total Population in Area: 825,000 Black Population: 74,000

Total Voting Age Population: 675,000 Total Black Voting Age Pop.: 65,000

Total Registered: 375,282 Total of Blacks Registered: 30,000

Do you have a current list of registered voters for area? Yes: X No: _____

List black elected officials in program area, including office held. (Use additional sheet if necessary): Mrs. Lou Nelle Sutton-State Representative; Rev. Claude

Black-City Council; Thomas D. Gaffney-San Antonio Independent School District Board.

List black appointed officials in area: Murene Gilford, Charles Williams,
Robert Washington, LC. Rutledge, M.D. Wright, Patricia Holland, LaValle Lowe,
S.H. James. Everette Turbon

List blacks who ran for office but lost during last election year:

(Name and position sought) Al McKnight - San Antonio School Board

List current black candidates (Name and office) Mrs. Lou Nelle Sutton

What are major problems blacks face in registering to vote? Historic isolation
of the political process; lack of and/or void in communication in voter education
to blacks; lack of knowledge of registration process; disenchantment with the
system and poor self image and value of "my" vote.

What problems do registered blacks face in voting? No involvement in the decision
making in candidate selection; no identity with candidates makes for general
apathy; lack of understanding of lengthy ballots; literacy problems, etc.

List the major civil rights, civic, and political action organizations in your community:

Organizations

G.G.L.
N.A.A.C.P.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority

Eastside Concerned Citizens

Women's Political Cacus

C.O.P.S.

Contact Persons

John Steen
Emerson Marcee

Mrs. Sara Cook

Charles Williams

Jane Macon

Fr. Albert Benevidas

3. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Kind of program (check one or more) Voter Registration: X

Citizenship Education: X Leadership Training: X

Why is this program needed? A. To offset (1) the major problems blacks face in registering to vote and (2) problems registered blacks face in voting; B. To develop an informed and participating electorate C. To impact positively the democratic system i.e. candidate selection, decision making.

What does your program hope to accomplish? _____

(1) Increase the number of black registered voters.

(2) Increase the number of informed citizens as to political process.

(3) Provide leadership training to identify potential elected, and/or appointed officials and community leaders.

If voter registration is included in your plans, how many people do you hope to register? 2,500 or more

How will you accomplish your program goals stated above? (Please give complete details of methods you will use): Coordinate publicity campaign with local group voter ed; door to door registrars with black leaders organized; coordinate with other organized groups to establish registration days at major shopping centers and points, Churches, businesses; Seminars and workshops utilizing qualified speakers, role play, visual aids, literature, etc.

What are the basic community problems which increased political participation might solve? Misrepresentation of voiceless black minority; faulty or non-existent development in the black community; lack of fair share of budgeted improvements in the black community.

What are the program dates for which you are requesting assistance? (Please allow three or four weeks for VEP to process proposals):

Beginning date: September 6, 1976 Ending date: October 2

What staff positions will be required for this project: 3 Coordinators
(1 general coordinator 2 field) clerical

How many members of your group (including volunteers) will be involved as workers in your project? Approximately twenty (20)

4. BUDGET

Give a detailed, realistic, minimum budget of items for which you are asking VEP support (Note: VEP does not provide office space or furnishings. Compensation for coordinators includes only stipends).

The average grant (\$500 to \$1,200 for a four to six week program) may include purchase of registration list, printing materials, gas for transportation, and other necessary expenses.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>COST</u>
<u>Program items</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>		
<u>Coordinators</u>	<u>900.00</u>		
<u>Phone and Postage</u>	<u>90.00</u>		
<u>Transportation</u>	<u>100.00</u>		

TOTAL AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$1,390

If a proposal is funded, VEP will require the group to submit biweekly narrative and financial reports.

Date Proposal Submitted: Aug 23, 1976 Signature: Beatrice Clay

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