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Dear Sir:

The Committee on Education and Labor of the House of Representatives is gathering information on the operation and effectiveness of various programs to reduce unemployment and poverty. The Committee will be concerned with the continuation of the Economic Opportunity Act and the programs included in that Act such as the Neighborhood Youth Corps, the Concentrated Employment Program (CEP), Job Opportunities in the Business Sector (JOBS), Operation Mainstream, New Careers, Community Action, the Job Corps, and Headstart.

As Chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor, I would like to know whether these programs are accomplishing their objectives and how well they are working locally. While national statistics are important, there is no substitute for the evaluations of those who are closest to the scene, and so I am seeking your help.

One or more of the economic opportunity programs is operating in your community and short questionnaires referring to those which are in your community and about which you may have knowledge are enclosed.

I ask that you give sufficient time to your responses to make them as complete as possible. It would be most useful if, in addition to checking the box which best summarizes your observations, you would also provide your own comments in the spaces provided on the questionnaires.

By giving us the benefit of your judgment and experience, you will be rendering a service to the Congress and to the country. I thank you in advance for your help and appreciate your continuing efforts on behalf of the poor.

Sincerely,

Carl D. Perkins

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