

WESLEY COMMUNITY CENTERS, INC.

Atlanta, Georgia

A PROPOSAL FOR IMPROVED AND EXPANDED RECREATIONAL SERVICES

Price Neighborhood Service Area

Mechanicsville

Capitol Homes

A JOINT EFFORT

Wesley Community Centers, Inc.

Atlanta Department of Parks and Recreation

AGENCY HEADQUARTERS:

Wesley Community Centers, Inc.
9 McDonough Blvd., S. E. 30315
(In Bethlehem Center Bldg.)

UNITS AND SERVICE AREAS:

Bethlehem Center
9 McDonough Blvd., S. E.

Serving Carver Homes, Joyland,
South Atlanta, Sugar Hill,
Washington St., High Point

Capitol Homes Center
175 Woodward Ave., S. E.

Serving the Capitol Homes Area

Richardson Street Center
342 Richardson St., S. W.

Serving Mechanicsville

Legend: Definition of Needs

Wesley Centers for many years have offered some supplementary recreational services in each of its neighborhoods in order to meet more individualized needs. In assessing our services over a period of two years, we find that the needs in each of our neighborhoods have increased. The resulting verbal demands for additional recreational services are surpassing our ability to meet them; since our primary unit of service is to the small club group, and our staff's orientation and training is rarely, if ever, in the field of recreation.

We feel that recreational services are needed and that we can and should help, but realistically we cannot do it alone and continue to do justice to our other program needs.

Program Plan

Purpose: To improve and expand the recreational services in each of the service areas (Price Service Area, Capitol Homes Area, and Mechanicsville)

- 1.. To offer more opportunities for participation through a variety of activities on the Play Grounds and in the Gym.
2. To create additional teams which will offer a variety of choices and opportunities for the young people in the neighborhoods.
3. To offer some experiences in arts, crafts, and dance.

Responsibilities: Wesley Centers, Inc.

1. General maintenance of building and grounds and provide the utilities.
2. Share the cost for major repairs of equipment.
3. Share in the supervision of staff in relation to direct work in each of the units; and assume some responsibility for the evaluation of services and worker performance.
4. Program planning with staff in harmony with the philosophy and policies of both Wesley Centers and City Recreation.
5. Act as the agency in settling disputes which are agency related.
6. Insure that any person who comes can be served in harmony with the "open door" policy of City Recreation.
7. Assure that the staff's direct obligations to City Recreation are carried out.
8. Schedule conferences as needed to assess the program, needs, effectiveness and worker performance.
9. Assume some accountability for equipment repairs and maintenance replacement.

Responsibilities: City Recreation

1. Share the cost for major repairs on equipment.
2. Help furnish needed equipment and other supplies.
3. Provide necessary staff in each of the units to provide for an adequate program.
4. Work in harmony with policies (list of 10 rules attached) of the agency which govern the behavior of the members of the agency.

5. Schedule conferences needed to assess program, needs, effectiveness and worker performance.
6. Allow time for staff to participate in program planning, supervision, and in-service training when these do not interfere with direct work.

WESLEY CENTERS, INC. SHARE

Bethlehem Center

- 1 full size gym with spectator seating, showers, rest rooms, and stage.
- 1 Softball field (needs minimum ground work)
- 1 Small playground with swings, slide, bars and merry-go-round. (Needs minimum ground work)
- 1 Outside paved court. (Needs minor repairs)
- 1 Small paved patio court. (Needs minor repairs)
- 1 Paved drive to outside courts. (Needs pot hole repair)

Equipment: Skates (inside), basketballs, volleyballs, mats, horseshoes, ping pong equipment.

Richardson Street Center

- 1 Small play ground
- 1 Medium play ground
- 1 Small outdoor skating area
- 1 Game room (separate)

Capitol Homes Center

- 1 play ground
- 1 large room for crafts, table games, and dance.

CITY RECREATION SHARE

Two workers-full time or part time, 6 days a week, 40 hrs.

Additional needed equipment and supplies

Some ground work and repairs on outside courts.

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1 full time worker or part time male and female workers. Equipment for play ground and crafts. Additional equipment and supplies for game room and crafts. 1 worker - Senior Citizens