



*Urban Corp*

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The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.  
Mayor  
Atlanta, Georgia 30300

Dear Mr. Allen:

Although I am now in California attending Stanford University, as a citizen of Atlanta I have kept interested in the progress that you have so obviously fostered.

It has become apparent to me that your Urban Corps program is astounding in its foresight. The effect on the college student participants and the persons in disadvantaged areas with whom they worked is well known here in Palo Alto, California.

I further understand that renewal of this project is under consideration. I implore you to push for its continuance. If we young people cannot find established methods such as this to put our unselfish talents and energies to work, then I fear the radicals will have proven their point in the uselessness of "working through the system".

Both you and I are proud of our city. As the city government leader, you should marshal its resources to solve its problems. Not only are the young people economically and energetically feasible, but building a base of understanding at that level can help to erase the base of hate and oppression under which we were brought up.

Sincerely,  
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