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Dear Miss Whelden:

Your October 9, 1969 letter to Dan Sweat has been referred to me by Johnny Johnson, Director of the Atlanta Model Cities Program, and I am herein replying for them.

The Atlanta Model Cities Program Began in November 1967. However, most of the subsequent period was spent in planning with residents as to what the community should have. We did not conduct a great many surveys for two basic reasons:

1. Lack of time before HUD required us to submit our plan.
2. Insufficient funds prior to this time.

However, we now have both of those situations rectified. For instance, we have signed a contract with Georgia State University in Atlanta to conduct much of our research program. Its effort will include an intensive and comprehensive attitudinal survey. I don't believe at the present time that the University has developed its attitudinal survey in final form. However, I suggest you contact the following office: Dr. Frank Steggert, Director of Urban Observatory; Hartford Building; Edgewood Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia (Attention: Miss Jananne

Olsen). I am certain Dr. Steggert or Miss Olsen will be happy to cooperate.

Another piece of research to which I would refer you would be an intensive and comprehensive survey compiled by our regional office of the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The Bureau studied the Model Cities area and the remainder of what is the Atlanta CEP area (Concentrated Employment Program). I have requested Charles Bullard, Assistance Regional Director, to mail you under a separate cover the questionnaires his interviewers used. Finally, there was a study (which included some 200 interviewees) on the attitudes of the residents concerning the system of criminal justice. This was done by William Mathias, who is now associated with the Urban Life Center; Georgia State University; Atlanta, Georgia.

I would hope this information and the four pages I am sending with this mailing would be helpful to you. If we can be of further assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us again.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Dan Sweat
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Enclosures