

FULTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

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MR. WELLBORN R. ELLIS  
Administrator

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Deputy Administrator

Mr. Charles O. Emmerich  
Executive Administrator  
Economic Opportunity Atlanta, Inc.  
101 Marietta Street Building  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Emmerich:

This is to advise that our Department will be glad to cooperate in the proposed implementation of a coordinated program directed toward placement of unemployed persons and/or the necessary training who are residing in the defined Model Neighborhood Project in the following manner and under conditions as indicated:

1. Refer applicants/recipients of Public Assistance to those organizations who would accept responsibility for their placement in job opportunities.
2. Refer applicants/recipients of Public Assistance either directly or indirectly through joint referrals of Vocational Rehabilitation staff in our office to the Atlanta Diagnostic and Evaluation Center to determine their work potential and/or necessary subsequent training.
3. Refer applicants/recipients of Public Assistance to those agencies who will be administering and operating desirable training or retraining programs before accepting those determined to have necessary qualifications for use in connection for such jobs and duties as may be applicable to our existing programs, providing that in doing so it does not obligate us to spend additional County, State, or Federal tax funds without prior approval from the Fulton County Board of Family and Children Services, Fulton County Commissioners, State Department of Family and Children Services, and/or the Welfare Administration of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

In making this statement which I understand you desire for use in connection with filing the required application for Federal funds, I would like for it to be explicitly understood that in the event our participation as outlined above results in increased expenditures for staff, office space, furniture, equipment, or other operating expenses would have to be approved and assurance of continuity of funds made by such governing authorities as I or our Department are responsible to.

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Also, while I personally am in accord with what I understand the purposes and goals of the proposed project are, I have considerable doubt as to the wisdom of implementing and making effective the program envisioned if same is planned for implementation during only a comparatively short period of time without definite commitment from required Federal authorities for continuing required financial support over a period of several years. Based on my past experience and observation, I frankly am becoming "leery and doubtful" as to the advisability of either planning or operating "quickie" programs that seldom get past the planning and initial implementation stage before they are discontinued or funds reduced.

Very truly yours,

Wellborn R. Ellis  
Administrator

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bcc: James H. Aldredge, Chairman  
Fulton County Commissioners

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City of Atlanta

Alan F. Kiepper, County Manager  
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