

August 13, 1969

Dr. Alex Lacy
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Dear Dr. Lacy:

Dan Sweat, City Deputy Administrator, recently told me that you might be receiving a large grant from HEW for the Urban Life Studies Program at Georgia State. Mr. Sweat also informed me that you had requested him to write responsibilities for an appropriation of \$30,000 annually for the Atlanta Urban Corps to include a Director, Secretary, and a College Liaison Man.

As you know, the Atlanta Urban Corps is legally a division of the Office of the Mayor, City of Atlanta, jointly administered by the Mayor's Office and the Southern Regional Education Board and will be continually administered as such.

On August 18, 1969, a proposal for the Atlanta Urban Corps will be presented to the Board of Alderman for the academic year September, 1969 - June, 1970. This of course does not exclude additional funding such as the Urban Life grant, which we desperately need since we had twice as many requests for interns over what we could supply this summer, due to a lack of funds. However, I must emphatically state that if \$30,000 is allocated to the Atlanta Urban Corps, it would in no way effect the administrative line of authority that presently exists from the Urban Corps to the Mayor's Office and the Southern Regional Education Board.

Dan Sweat has agreed that the Urban Life grant should be appropriated to the Office of the Mayor and included in the Urban Corps budget. If this money were to be used to hire a Director or any administrative personnel, the approval of these personnel would rest solely with Dan Sweat and Bill Ramsay.

I have discussed this arrangement with Messrs. Sweat and Ramsay, and have their support. During our discussion yesterday, you asked me to notify you by Thursday, August 14, 1969, if I desired the grant request to

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be cancelled, otherwise, it would be included. I desire for the grant to be included only if you agree with administrative stipulations stated above, and that the Atlanta Urban Corps in no way be part of the Urban Life Center and would remain an agency of the Mayor's Office and the Southern Regional Education Board.

If you do not agree with this statement, please cancel the grant request of \$30,000 from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

We thank you for thinking about the Atlanta Urban Corps in writing your grant request and hope you will continue thinking about us, especially in areas of educational input of Urban Life students. We look forward to cooperating with Georgia State as well as other colleges in future intern programs.

Sincerely,

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SAM A. WILLIAMS
Director

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cc: Mr. Dan Swent, City of Atlanta ✓
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Mr. Michael Goldstein, National UC Development Office