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Executive Administrator

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Honorable Milton G. Farris, Chairman
Finance Committee
Board of Aldermen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Farris:

Economic Opportunity Atlanta, Inc. is requesting that the City of Atlanta in 1969 increase its support of the local antipoverty program from \$100,000 to \$125,000.

The cash allocation from the City of Atlanta is used to help meet the non-federal share of twenty per cent which is required by OEO. During 1968, federal grants available to EOA have totaled \$12,889,720, requiring \$2,075,049 in non-federal share. The great majority of grant funds available are spent within the City, and during the year, contracts totaling \$1,713,383 have been made directly with City departments:

Parks and Recreation	\$329,063
Sanitation	\$168,670
Atlanta Public Schools:	
(1) Summer Head Start	\$356,524
(2) Manpower Training	\$859,126

As can be seen, the City government receives a direct return from its investment in EOA, as well as the indirect gains accruing from the improved lives of its citizens as they benefit from the many program activities.

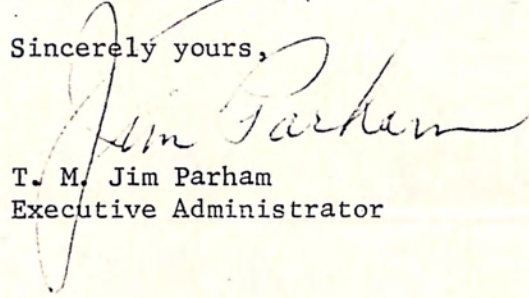
In the past, much of our non-federal share has been developed through in-kind contributions of space, equipment, and services. However, new regulations from OEO demanding much more detailed justification of in-kind claims has made it more difficult to meet requirements in this way, and availability of local cash is going to be increasingly important if the community is to take full advantage of federal programs.

The EOA Board, staff, and resident participants are very appreciative of the support given this program by City government. We have worked closely

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with the Mayor's office, the Crime Prevention Department, and the Parks Department to help maintain community stability. We are directly assisting City efforts in planning, employment, housing, and community relations, and we look forward to greater effort in 1969.

Sincerely yours,



T. M. Jim Parham
Executive Administrator

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CC: Mr. Boisfeuillet Jones

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