

CITY OF ATLANTA



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Honorable Richard H. Russell
United States Senate
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Russell:

RE: Telephone conversation May 15, 1967,
on Summer Recreation with Bill Jordan

Enclosed is a rundown on the City of Atlanta's 1967 special summer recreation needs in low-income neighborhoods which I discussed with Mr. Jordan in your absence this morning.

You will note that the proposed 1967 summer recreation program budget sheet lists those projects which would be operated by the City Government, through its Parks and Recreation Department, the Atlanta Public Schools, United Appeal Agencies, the Economic Opportunity Atlanta Neighborhood Service Centers, and the Fulton County programs.

This \$570,119 total represents merely those extra summer activities which are urgently needed in the slum areas over and above those programs and activities which the City and the various agencies are able to do within the limits of their regular budgets.

The amounts shown for the various United Appeal agencies under the "1966 Budget" column are listed to show what these agencies spent through the special summer program last year. Since EOA had not received any specific proposals from these particular agencies for this summer's program, these amounts were merely included in anticipation that these agencies would do at least as much as they did in 1966.

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You will note in the other attachments that we have worked very diligently with other public and private agencies as well as the business and civic community in enlisting community-wide support for our summer recreation and employment program.

We have received some help through the Rich Foundation, Sears Roebuck, the Atlanta Labor Council, and other private business and civic organizations.

We have also drawn funds from other critically needed programs in order to increase our activities in the disadvantaged communities.

With the \$570, 119 we have requested as a part of the \$75, 000, 000 special summer appropriation requested from the Congress, we feel that we will be able to carry on a reasonable summer program for more than 160, 000 young people and adults who are not economically able to provide their own.

We hope that you will lend your support to this appropriations request for the City of Atlanta and other cities throughout the state and nation.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

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