

April 8, 1969

MEMORANDUM

To: Concerned Parties

From: Sam Williams, Staff Director, Atlanta Urban Corps

Subject: Urban Corps Status

Tuesday, April 1, Sam Williams assumed position of Urban Corps staff director, salaried by Southern Regional Education Board and "loaned" to the Atlanta Youth Council.

Most of the first week was spent in taking inventory of various phases of the Urban Corps. The most immediate problem is finance. A small administrative fund was donated by SREB and Dan Sweat, Assistant to the Mayor. Present inventory of work study funds available this summer for Urban Corps is 138 student positions at 80% cost. All of these are not firm commitments. VISTA will finance 25 interns at full cost. Mr. Bill Ramsay and Charles Sweet are visiting financial aid offices of Atlanta colleges in an effort to "squeeze" more off-campus work study funds free. Fund raising from private sources is under way with no results as yet. A businessmen's luncheon is scheduled for April 29 in an effort to get fund commitments. A fund raising group has been established under the leadership of Bill Adams of Georgia Tech.

Definition of job openings is under way. It appears that the city can accept at least 100 students. Definite job slots will be defined the week of April 11 in city departments. City financing and administration will be explained in a meeting of department heads April 8. A city intern developing team will visit each department during the week.

Internship development of non-federal non-city agencies will begin April 8. Initial contacts and requests for 158 interns from these agencies has been handled by Terry Allen. Student teams will more clearly define each intern request during the next two weeks and hopefully make new contacts in other agencies.