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Small-Group Work for Session I of Model Cities Training Program

Elect group leader or spokesman - mr. Petty ohn Make list of names of participants

Our work in groups of ten (10) has three purposes:

- 1) to help the participants to get better acquainted with each other;
- 2) to help them examine their own thoughts and feelings about the Model Cities program and their role as board members;
- 3) to provide us as planners of the training program with information about the participants' knowledge, needs and attitudes regarding the Model Cities program and the training program itself.

The content of each group session will consist of consideration of three questions:

- 1) "Suppose someone stopped you on the street or confronted you in a meeting with the question, "What makes you think you're qualified to be on the Model Cities board?" What would be your answer?"
- 2) "Suppose we gave each of you a \$1,000 grant, to be used in any way you choose, to better prepare yourself for participation in the Model Cities board. How would you use the money?"
- 3) "Suppose that you ten people are the Model Cities Board, and that you were offered the answers to three (and only three) questions about the Model Neighborhood Area. What three questions would you as a Board ask?"

The first two questions are to be answered by each member of the group individually. (Group discussion could follow the individual answers if that seems natural.) The answer to the third question should be arrived at by consensus of the group.

Total time available for the group discussion is 100 minutes, allowing about 30 minutes for consideration of each question. This is a flexible standard, however, and if a lively discussion develops around one question or another, the leader need not cut it off for the sake of covering all three questions.