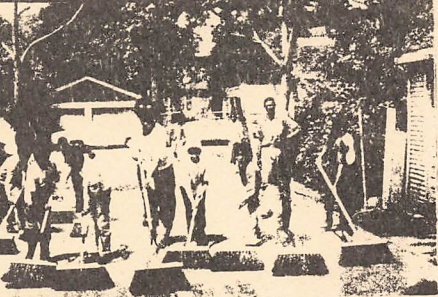
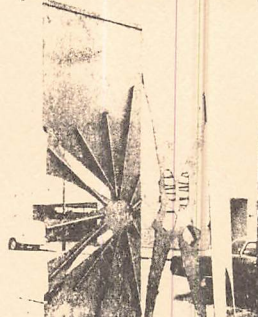
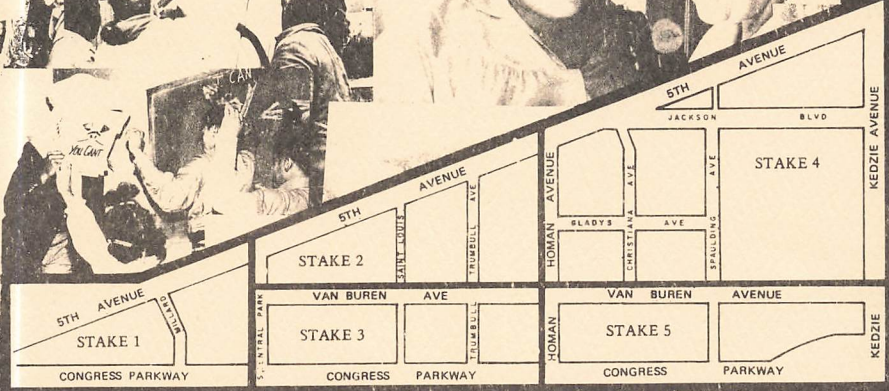
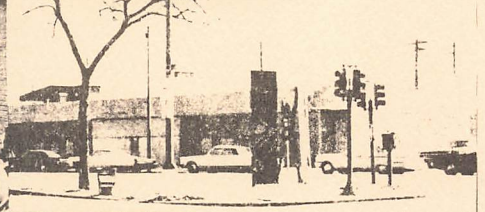
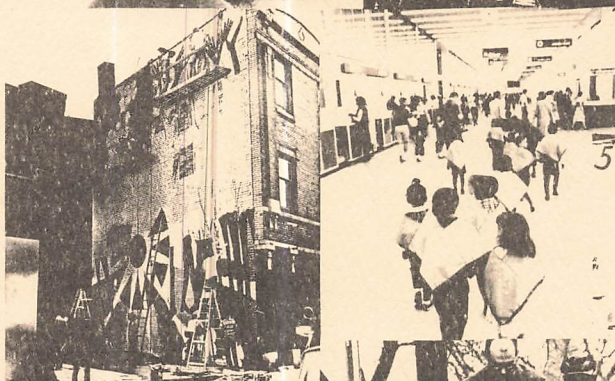


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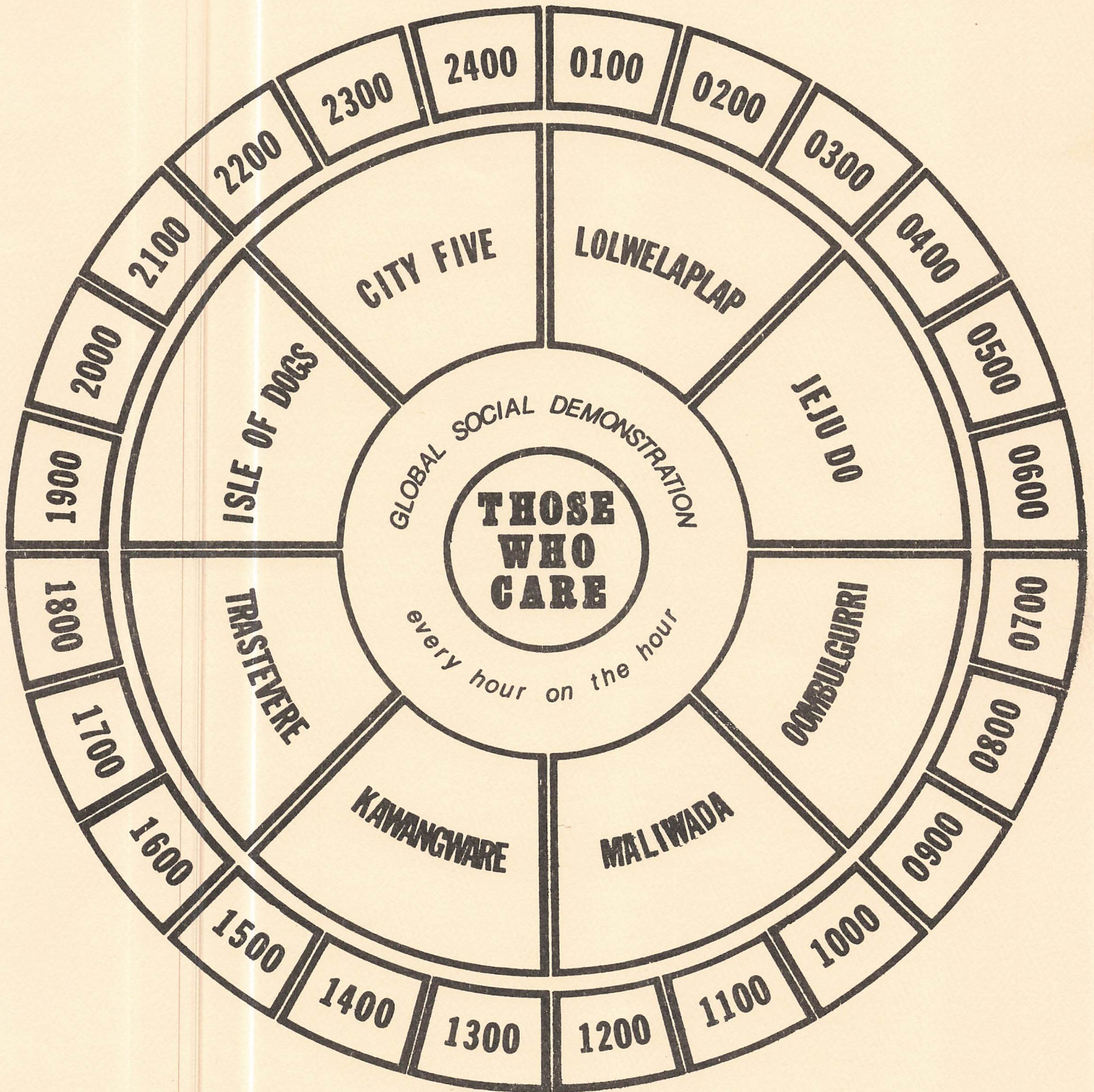
SOCIAL DEMONSTRATION

When Fifth City began as a community project, it held the dream of building a community which could be carried to other parts of the world; not as one particular program but as a method of how any community could be rebuilt by its residents. Over the last three years, seven other demonstration communities have begun in India, Australia, England, Kenya, South Korea, the Philippines, and the Marshall Islands. These countries are hosting in specific communities, **SOCIAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS**, based on the foundational principles of community care and participation originated in the human development project in Fifth City.

Fifth Citizens have been directly participating in establishing these human development projects. Each human development project is initiated with a week long consultation in the community. Community leaders such as Mrs. Lela Mosley, along with other consultants from many nations joined the residents of **MALIWADA**, India in planning practical steps toward economic and social redevelopment of that community. Maliwada, a village of 2,500 people, is located 250 miles northeast of Bombay in the State of Maharashtra.

FIFTH CITY: THIRTEEN YEARS

The Human Development Project of Fifth City has been operating for 13 years. The first ten years, celebrated in the **DECADE OF MIRACLES**, marked the move from experimentation to demonstration of community redevelopment. Since 1972, the focus of the project has been primarily developing economic programs in order to create a self-supporting community economic base. Although the social reformulation has maintained the same intensity, economic structures have become the critical emphasis of the project. The establishment of the Men's Club facility, the opening of the Fifth City Shopping Center, the launching of the Safe Streets Program, the community management of the property of the first housing package, and the initial renovation of the Business Center are some of the milestones toward the rebuilding of the economic foundation of the community.



1975 has brought a special honor to the community, as the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration have selected Fifth City as one of 200 showpiece projects for the **HORIZONS ON DISPLAY** program. Effective improvement of the quality of life in areas ranging from citizen involvement to public transportation were the criteria. These projects, representing every state in the nation, seven from Illinois and four from Chicago, will represent the United States at the United Nations Conference on Human Settlement, **HABITAT**, in Vancouver, British Columbia this Spring.

ECONOMIC REDEVELOPMENT

The **FIFTH CITY SHOPPING CENTER** opened during the summer of 1975 at the main intersection of the community. This has been the first sign of new commercial enterprise since the 1968 riots. The Shopping Center now includes a full-service grocery store, a coin operated laundromat, an Auto Drive-In Currency Exchange, and a fast foods shop. The new locally owned businesses have provided nearly 40 new jobs for the community. The residents of the community have found that having a one stop shopping facility with the services offered in the new center has added convenience as well as reduced their cost of living.

The **HOUSING PROGRAM** has experienced many changes in 1975. As an alternative to the repeated inability of professional Management Agencies to maintain a balanced program, the first set of apartment buildings, **PACK I** rehabilitated by Fifth City in 1972, became the first FHA Housing Project in the City of Chicago to be successfully managed by the community sponsor. Fifth City began its own Housing management agency in the Fall of 1975. A non-profit community management agency staffed entirely by trained community residents. The Community Housing Board, composed of community businessmen, tenants, and concerned homeowners began to perform the operations ranging from maintenance and repairs to rent collections and tenant relations. The first signs of success are now apparent. When community management of Pack I began in September, 10% of the apartments were vacant and rent collection was down as low as 65%. By the close of 1975, vacancy had been reduced to 2% and rent collections were near 95% and climbing. Negotiations on over \$30,000 of back debts have been made and a new long range plan for mortgage payments has been created.

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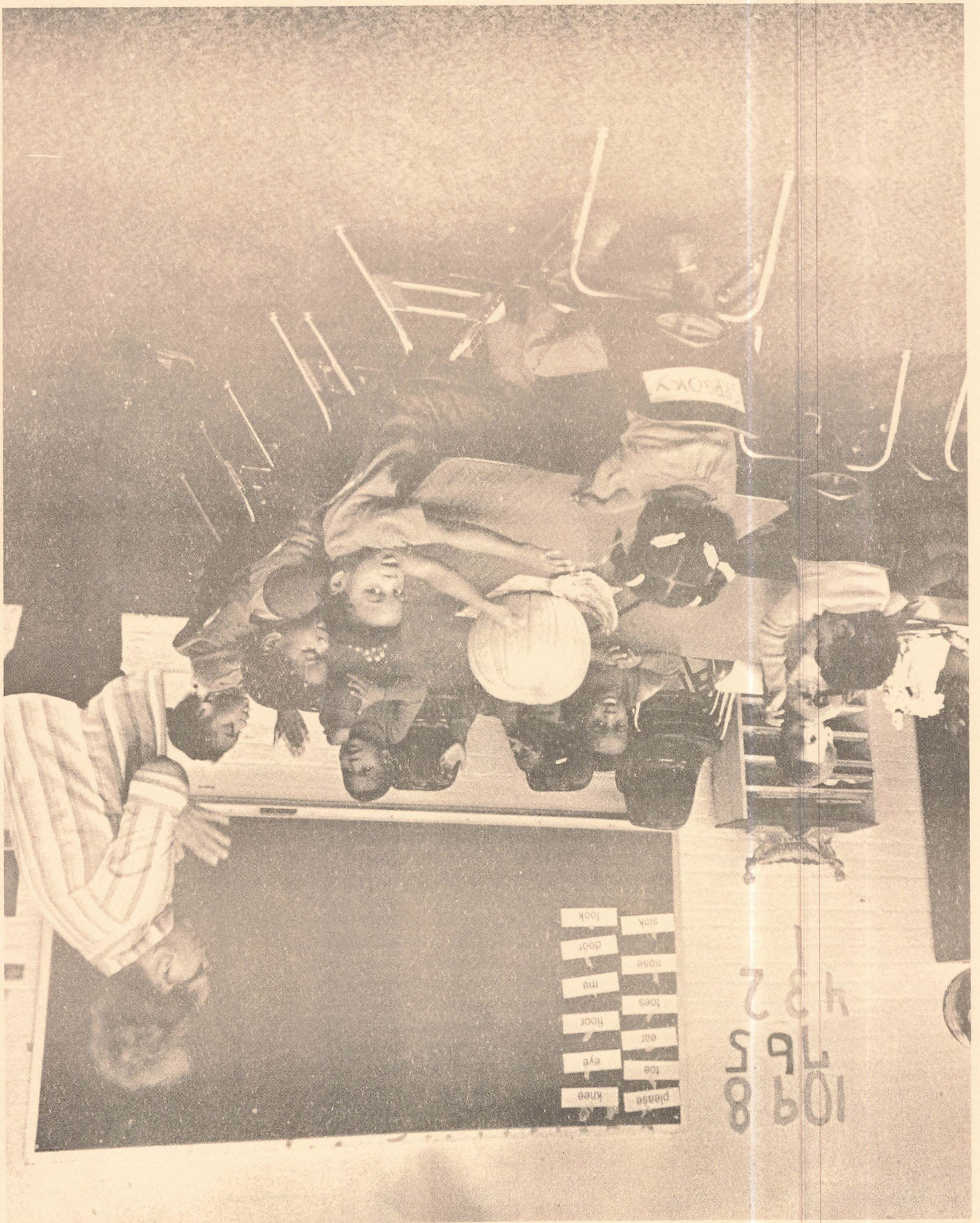
At the beginning of 1975, the prospect of completing the second housing package, **PACK II**, was grim. The contractor had defaulted, construction had stopped, and the five buildings had been boarded-up. Seventy-five percent of the rehabilitation had been completed but it seemed as though those 58 apartments would never be ready for occupancy. However, by December, a new contractor was secured. With the assistance of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and Model Cities/CCUO, monies have been allocated and the apartments are scheduled to be ready for occupancy in the first half of 1976.

THE HEALTH OUTPOST, the first of the economic programs, began its tenth year of operation with extended services, clinics operated daily with a special weekly clinic for family planning on Wednesday. Two community nurses were employed and trained during the year. The Medical Doctor was made director of the clinic. The Health Outpost is now a self-supporting clinic which has served over 25,000 in its history.

The **FIFTH CITY MEN'S CLUB** was formed to be the foundation for the development of the economic structures of the community. The members of the Men's Club, businessmen, professional men, and skilled laborers, have served as advisors to the developing organizations throughout the community. During the past year the Men's Club has coordinated the development of the Safe Streets Program, which has involved the City of Chicago Police Department in organizing a citizens network of window watchers, block captains and a special Citizen Band Patrol.

SOCIAL REFORMULATION

The **FIFTH CITY PRESCHOOL**, the first of the social programs when it opened in 1965, has expanded its program to include the last component, the **INFANT CARE CENTER**. The Mini-School (2 year olds), the Preschool (3 and 4 year olds) and the Kinder School (5 year olds) have been phased into the program throughout the last 11 years. The Infant Care Facility was selected and remodeled to meet the necessary licensing codes. The materials required for licensing such as bricks, fire retardant curtains, furniture, and fixtures were all contributed by Chicago area businesses. The Infant Care Center will open for 24 infants from six months to two years in the Spring of 1976. In addition to preparing the infant care facility, 1975 marks the year for advanced training of preschool teachers. The teachers are seeking degrees in early childhood development and education from Junior colleges in the area.



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The Summer of 1975 will be a memorable summer for the youth of the community. Through the Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program, over 300 youth were involved in work projects through the West Side. The major events focused around community services; street and lot cleaning, helping with younger children, and working in the administrative offices of the community center. Constructive activity for the youth brought a new vitality and life to the entire community. The **YOUNG ADULT LEAGUE** participated in recreational activities such as wrestling, boxing, bowling, and basketball. The Girls Basketball team played against several other community girls teams. In the fall the recreation focus diminished and tutorial functions increased. Youth development in this community has contributed greatly to the growth of responsible adults and citizens. The program has been supported for most of the year by the Department of Criminal Justice.

The Adult Programs in Fifth City involve resident from 18 to 70. The **ADULT EDUCATION CENTER** enrolled 138 students for the spring semester in extension college courses, including preparation for the G.E.D. examination and college academic curricula. The third component of the Adult Education Center is a practical job skills training program for secretarial and clerical workers, scheduled to be launched in the first half of 1975. The Community Elders association planned the annual Fifth City trip, which in 1975 included various historical eastern cities, commemorating the Bicentennial year.

The **FIFTH CITY COMMUNITY CENTER** hosts community activities throughout the year. The Young Adult League dances, the Jet activities, and Preschool events were among the many memorable occasions.



STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

Statement data was extracted from the Frank L. Sassetti Co. year-end certified audited financial statements of the various community corporations.

	Preschooling Institute *FYE June 30, 1975	Reformulation Corporation *FYE June 30, 1975	Redevelopment Corporation *FYE Dec. 31, 1974	
	Preschool Program	Community Center	Government Programs	Housing Pack I
INCOME				
Contributions	\$ 644	\$ 44,153	\$	\$
Governmental	108,003	10,223	48,902	
Operational	<u>4,015</u>	<u>73,191</u>	<u>2,566</u>	<u>149,373</u>
	112,662	127,567	51,468	149,373
EXPENSES				
Salaries	64,710	55,950	25,357	18,774
Payroll Taxes	3,688	3,046	1,678	2,504
Professional fees	14,181	1,733	15,899	10,918
Supplies	19,491	2,980	2,205	2,145
Telephone	1,747	1,738	1,090	
Rent	4,836		2,088	
Utilities	4,994	12,823	200	28,318
Maintenance and Supplies	2,283	602	429	13,180
Insurance	583	2,974	789	20,020
Transportation	620	7,804	375	
Miscellaneous	700	3,099	343	1,299
Interest		723		53,202
Other Expenses	3,544	32,342	2,013	21,470
Depreciation				41,150
Real Estate Tax				<u>26,976</u>
	<u>121,377</u>	<u>125,814</u>	<u>52,466</u>	<u>239,956</u>
Net Income (loss) for the year	\$ (8,715)	\$ 1,753	\$ (998)	\$(90,583)

*Fiscal Year Ended

New corporations in their first fiscal year include Fifth City Commercial Corporation and Fifth City Men's Club. Their initial audits will occur in 1976.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Illinois Department of Children and Family Services

Illinois Department of Public Aid

Illinois Department of Criminal Justice

Illinois Family Planning Council

U.S. Office of Education Food Reimbursement Program

HUD Rent Supplement Contract

CORPORATION AND FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTORS

The Fifth City Project has been jointly supported by both public and private sector funds and in-kind contributions. The following is a representative listing of these sources which specifically supported the 1975 program budgets.

American	Florshiem Shoe Company	Playskool, Inc.
A-Bell Lumber	Guardian Electric	Plywood Minnesota
Abbott Laboratories	Gustafson Floor Service	Poster Products, Inc.
Ace Hardware	John Hancock Mutual Life	Rapid Mounting and Finishing Co.
Alexander and Alexander	Harrison Foods Center	Regensteiner Press
Allied Products	Hawthorne Melody	Reliable Supply Co.
Alberto-Culver Co.	Hautau & Otto	Rickard Circular Folding
American National Bank	Hugh Hefner Foundation	Roscoe Company
Avon Products, Inc.	Hilco Manufacturing	Royal Design Products Co.
Amoco	Edward Hines Lumber Co.	Rydson Products Inc.
Arrow Sign Company	Hudson Screw Manufacturing	Joseph T. Ryerson & Son, Inc.
A. G. Becker	Illinois Bell	Schwinn Bicycle Company
Booz, Allen & Hamilton	Imoco Gateway	Sears Bank and Trust
Briskin Manufacturing	Intercraft Industries	Service Offset Corporation
Leo Burnett	Interlake Foundation	John Sexton and Company
Carbit Paint Co.	Joanna Western Mills	Seven-Up Bottling Co.
Ceco Corporation	Kramer and Company	Sherwin Williams
Chicago Adhesive Products	Kid Craft Manufacturing	Signode Corporation
Church of the Master Lutheran	Lance Construction Supply	Sipi Metal Corporation
Chicago Block Co,	Lawn Ware Products, Inc.	Sunbeam Corporation
Columbia Pipe and Supply	Ludowici-Celedon.	Vapor Products
Combined Insurance	McDonalds Corporation	Vent Products
Consolidated Foods	Market Basket	Warwick Electronics
Darling & Company	Met-L-Wood	Weber Lithographing Company
R.R. Donnelly Sons	Mid-City National Bank	Weil Pump Company
East Garfield Park	Mid-City Supply Co.	Western Piece and Dye Finishers
Electric Supply	Mobil Oil	W.P. and H. B. White Foundation
Elgin-Honeywell Corporation	Nalco Foundation	U.O.P. Foundation
Englwood Hospital	Neo Products	University of Illinois Hospital
Flame Safe Fabrics	Our Redeemer Lutheran Church	U.S. Gypsum
Equitable Life Assurance		

January, 1976

Dear Friends:

In a few weeks, Fifth City:Chicago will celebrate its thirteenth anniversary. Its Social Model for comprehensive community reformulation has been demonstrated by its citizen participation in serving their community and their dedication to the task as a sign for communities around the world.

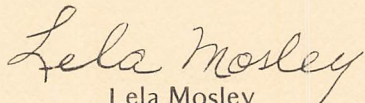
In 1975, Fifth City went around the world seven times. These communities have their unique differences and yet hidden similarities with Fifth City Chicago. The primary similarity is that it seems impossible to do anything or to change anything. It was because of this hidden similarity that they were chosen.

We have come to understand that human suffering and struggle have no geographical boundaries, and are convinced that the future of society lies in the redevelopment of every local town or village by its own citizens; that the Fifth City Social Model is the instrument for mobilizing and training local people thus releasing their creativity in the process.

The support of both the public and private sectors in the past year has enabled the expansion of this project in the last year. An accounting of this expansion is in this 1975 Annual Report. You and the citizens of Fifth City have made it possible.

Local demonstration and reconstruction by responsible grassroots leaders is the key to the development of local communities. Your support demonstrates your care.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lela Mosley".

Lela Mosley
President, Executive Board
Fifth City Reformulation Corporation

