

FIFTH CITY HUMAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

REPORT FOR WEEKS 1 & 2, PHASE III

The new task teams for Phase III within the FHDP Post are: Community Plexus (having to do with information networks, polity, consensus creating events), Commercial Expansion (having to do with business and industry development, employment opportunities), Educational Outreach (having to do with educational opportunities for all ages and health care resources), and Environmental Redevelopment (having to do with community housing, maintenance, beautification and craftsmanship training).

The major event during the first two weeks of Phase III in the arena of Community Plexus has been the 5th City participation in the Ivy City Consult. Six 5th Citizens attended the first part of the Consult and two stayed for the whole time (as well as several other auxiliary members from FHDP). Many community people participated in the event by making contributions to the travel fund (the total cost of participant travel was paid by 5th Citizens), by attending a send-out dinner, and by coming to House Church Sunday to hear the initial reports of those returning. The impact on those who went to Ivy City was profound. They seemed to be able to see the journey of 5th City in a whole new light and sensed that they have real wisdom to pass on to this new demonstration project. A high symbolic moment at the consult was the presentation of an Iron Man and a Fifth City Flag to Ivy City.

The Commercial Expansion task team is continuing to focus on the preparation of the industry building. An Area guardian with construction expertise is now on site to help begin the more technical aspects of the work. A \$15,000 mortgage loan was approved this past week for materials and construction. The Business Association met at a local restaurant, and the owner was so impressed that he paid for the whole group's meal and joined the organization! The MacDonald's Corporation notified us of a \$5,000 grant they are awarding to 5th City for the initiation of a Commercial School. The school is imaged as a pre-employment training experience for those interested in clerical skills--typing, bookkeeping, basic accounting--as well as providing imaginal education relative to job-seeking skills.

Several tactics have been successful recently in broadening the base of responsibility for community education. The preschool is developing an effective executive board made up of a good cross-section of community leadership and preschool staff. A voter education course, sponsored by the Blocks Association, is being offered as a prelude to the national elections, and in cooperation with the Citizens Information Service of Chicago. Mrs. Marjory Branch, principal of the local elementary school was featured in the FHDP Bulletin last week as citizen of the week. (See article). She in turn has invited a member of the auxiliary to speak at the PTA about what is happening in the community.

In the arena of Environmental Redevelopment, physical signs of renewal are being "squeezed in" in this short interum before freezing weather begins to inhibit outdoor construction. New curbs have been laid by the city along 5th Avenue. Additional lights have been erected in Garfield Park. Two architects have volunteered their services to come up with plans for the 5th Avenue Commercial Strip, and for Preschool Building "D", which will house expanded kinder school space and the preschool administrative offices.

As an auxiliary we are facing the contradiction of how to continue the push on leadership and economic development, while releasing an intensified impact on the mass of 5th Citizens. We were made especially aware of this contradiction during the past week when two major fires occurred in the neighborhood. Several families were displaced in one instance, and in the other, two children died. We found ourselves hard pressed to respond in any adequate fashion--or to know what the grass-roots care structure in these cases needed to look like. We are reminded that there will always be many people in the community with which we have very little direct contact; yet, the redevelopment of structures must reach out to "the last fat lady".

COMMUNITY IMPACT				
ECONOMIC LEAP	PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT	PROGRAM EXTENSION		COMMUNITY SIGNIFICATIN
		CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT	PROGRAM INITIATION	
		GRASSROOTS WEBBING		
2 Market Redevelopment Package	4 Fund Safe Streets	1 Expand FCBA Representation	10 Catalyze Child Development Board	6 Catalyze Fifth City Christmas
11 Initiate New Business	7 Inkind FCBA Equipment	5 Regularize Bulletin Delivery	13 Set Up Commercial School	9 Convene Fifth City Congress
12 Initiate New Industry	14 Develop PS/ICC Expansion		8 Form Apartments' Association	15 Consult USA Replication
18 Renovate Industry Center	16 Rehab 321 Building	3 Blitz Health Out Reach	19 Initiate Satellite Care	17 Dedicate Pack II

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Valenced Tactics	1	2	3	4	5	6	Program
1 5th City Blocks Assn. Expansion	ER Blocks' Consults	ER Expans'n Plan	ER Guides/ Benefits	ER "Chartr" Process	ER Mbr. Procds.		Neigh'hood Envirn VI
2 Economic Redevelopment Package	CE Sit'n Analysis	CE Landuse Projectn	CE Improve. Scheme	CE Phase Scheme			Commerc'l Develop. III
3 Health Outreach Blitz	EO HOP Brochure	EO Secure Funds	EO Board Formatn	EO W/S with Blocks Assn.	EO Hyper-Tension Clinic		Community Engagement IX
4 Safe Streets Funding	CE Report/ Proposal	CP Promote Ball	CE Begin Campaign	CP Victory Celeb.			Neigh'hood Safety VIII
5 Effective Bulletin Delivery	CP Inkind Bulletn	CP Bulletin Rack Day	CP Delivery Grid	CP Trg/Hire Delivery Person			Community Engagement IX
6 Fifth City Christmas	CP Research City Offergs	CP Inkind Xmas Decor	CP W/S 5th City Groups	CP Major Public.	CP Wk II Decortn Blitz	ER "Blue Ribbon" Block	Social Activities XIV
7 FC Blocks Assn. Equipment Pool	ER Equip. list	ER Equip. Inkind	ER Utiliztn Plan				Urban Agricult. XIV
8 Housing Guild Formation	ER Tenant Rating Exchn	ER Inkind Manual Prodt	ER Ongoing Manual Delivery	ER Recruit Handyman Training	ER Joint Purchase		Community Housing VII
9 5th City Congress	CP "Comnty Board" Planning	CP Stakes/ Guilds Planning	CP Congress Prep	CP Presidm	CP Reports to 5 C Groups		Community Engagement IX
10 Education Guild Creation	EO Res. All Ages Data	EO Ed. Guild Formatn Meeting	EO Ed. Opport's Direct'ry	EO Build Ph IV Plan	CP Distribt Ed. Directory		Urban Std. House XII
11 One New Business	CE Property Research	CE Bus. Assn Guides/ Benefits	CE Bus. Assn B/S 20 Business	CE Contact New Bus Poss's	CE Secure Equip	CE Grand Opening	Automotive Service II
12 One New Industry	CE Initiate Industry Guild	CE Industry Planning Consort	CE Secure Funding Base	CE Secure Contract For Prdt			Light Ind. Project I
13 Commercial School Set-up	CE Endorse Materl's	CE Equip Proposls	CE Enroll Scheme	CE Staff Commit	CE Facility Prep		Business Management V
14 Preschool/Infant Care Center Capital Devel.	EO Model Cities ICC Prop	EO ICC Approval Plan	EO Expand Presch Board	EO Presch Work Days	EO Bids for Ed. Centers		Child Dev. System X
15 Fifth City To Ivy City	CE Sevel For Trip	CE Article in Bulletin	CE Send Out Event	CE Report Trek			City Life Institute XI
16 321 Renovation	CE 3 Sig's For Loan	CE Secure Contrtor	CE Monitor Const.	CE New Prop to Urb Renewal	CE Renters Secured		Commercial Developmt III
17 Pak II Dedication	ER Pak II Dedicatn Invitatn	ER Protocol Program	ER Elegant Affair	ER Intent'l Publicity			Community Housing VII
18 Industrial Center Rehab	CE Make Building Secure	CE Obtain Mtl's	CE Secure Labor	CE Guild Celeb Completn			Light Ind. Project I
19 Satellite Care Initiation	EO Submit Proposl	EO Licenses	EO Prog/ Curr	EO Staff Train	EO Design Back-up	EO First Home Open	Child Dev System X

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Construction has begun on the Industry Building. The contractor is a man from the community who has participated in 5th City programs for many years. New sidewalks are being poured around the "Pack II" apartments. Due to a slow-down in arrival of construction materials, an extension of several months has been required for the project completion. Winterizing of the "Pack I" apartments continues to be a major focus of the housing team. Maintenance work is showing up to be a major factor in developing good tenant relations, and insuring high percentages of rent payment.

The Business Directory is now in the hands of every 5th City resident. It is a beautiful little red booklet with the grid on the front, and all the information on business establishments, proprietors, store hours, etc. inside. "U-Haul" Truck Rental Co. has expressed a strong interest in putting in an outlet on the Shell Service Station premises, which would be a significant vote of confidence for new business in the community. A new business which is already under way is a one-man operation, selling and installing burgular gates, locally owned and operated.

Other key events in the community this past week have been a voter information table at the Shopping Center, the Safe Streets Ball, the CBS television interviews, and Preschool Halloween party. The voter information table featured a voting machine demonstration, and was one of the events sponsored by the Blocks Association's Voter Education Course. The Safe Streets Ball was a fund-raising event for the Safe Streets Patrol. It was well supported by the Men's Club, the Business Association and many other 5th City groups. The television interviews have been in preparation for at least two half-hour documentaries on 5th City which will be featured on Chicago's Channel 2, on a program called "People". All aspects of the community life are being shown, but emphasis will be on changes that have occurred since the consult. The prime significance of the Preschool Halloween Party is that it was almost totally arranged and executed by preschool parents. The parents' group is becoming extremely active, and more and more they are assuming major responsibility for the welfare of the preschool program.

The futuristic contradiction that the auxiliary sees itself facing has to do with having a model for engaging people that is broad enough to elicit a vocational decision. It's not asking someone to do a little bit here and a little there. What the serious community leaders seem to be responding to is a "chunk" of responsibility that requires all their creativity and know-how. The additional challenge to the auxiliary is how to present the opportunities for engagement in such a way that people can say yes.

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PROGRAMS, AGENCIES AND GUILDS REPORT

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14 PROGS. 56 COMPNTS	I Light Indus.	II Auto Servic	III Commc'l Dev	IV Financ Servic	V Busness Mgt	VI Neigh'd Envir	VII Comm'ty Hs'ing	VIII Neigh Safety	IX Comm'ty Engag	X Child Dev	XI Life Insti	XII Stud't House	XIII Social Acts	XIV Urban Agr
EXISTING (17)	Indus. Promotn Corp* (3)	.	Bus. Assn* (9-11) Comc'l Corp* (9-10)		Retail Promtn (18)	40 Blk Assn* (21)	FCCRC* (26) Prop'ty Mgt. Corp.* (26)	Men's Club* (30-31) Safety Patrol* (29)	Com'ty Forums (33) Transpt (34) Info (35) Hlth O.P.* (36)	Prssch* (39) Presch Brd.* (39) Presch Parents Assn.* (38)			Reform. Corp.* (49)	
FIRM (9)				Advisory Board (13-14)	Comc'l Sch. * (20)		Hs'ing Enter- prise* (28)	Modern Equip (32)	Hlth Assn.* (36)	Sat'lte Care (37) Infant Care (39)	Employ Tech (42)		Season Acts (50)	
EMERGING (12)	Print Shop (1)	Auto Serv Ctr. (5-8)	Plaza Dev (10) Mall (11)	Cap'tl Dev (16)		Public Works (24)	Crafmn Guild (27)					Work Corps (47)		Equip Pool (56)
FIFTH CITIZENS	Odom Ratliff	Trice Simpson	Stanley Pinkstn Langstn	Pinkstn Stanley	Lill.F. Pinkstn	Connie Stennis Constnt	Glover Stanly Car. N. Fox Pierce Waters Saunds	Towns'd Sissac Constnt Brooks	Connie Colemn Vel.B. Jean L Nola R	Ruth C. Car. W. Berdine Mild.R. Malone Anna C.	Lil.F. Lil.C.	Pinkstn Stanley	Connie Lelã M. Liles	Connie Buckner
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* Formalized Group () Component number

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Development calls on major corporations are netting good returns in terms of monetary support, in-kind materials, and business connections. The Masonite Corporation recently donated \$2000.00 worth of panelling for various 5th City buildings. Fort Dearborn paper has offered to supply all the typing paper the Commercial School will need. Representatives from several significant foundations have been out for site visits and are now in the process of helping us meet their grant qualifications. The Industry Building and Commercial School seem to be the most sellable programs. (Business wants to support business.) This week members of the 5th City Business Association met with a group called the National Development Council, who are out to link the resources of the Small Businessman's Assoc. with local man. It was a very favorable meeting, and we look forward to the possibility of 5th City businesses being able to obtain loans for expansion, renovation, etc. via this contact.

The Commercial School is now scheduled to open early in January. It will teach clerical skills such as typing, bookkeeping, and filing, as well as devoting considerable attention to job seeking skills. In preparation for the opening, we are now in the process of in-kind equipment and supplies; renovating space; building curriculum; and establishing rapport with several agencies which may eventually play an active role in the school's administration (Malcolm X College--accreditation; 10 South Kedzie--possible CETA funds).

A bold sign of grass roots initiative within the community has been a petition being circulated by one of the local businessmen. It calls for a crack-down on drug traffic within the community; and it has been signed by over 150 adults. The petition is circulated discretely for fear of retaliation; but it is a new sense of community corporateness that allows local citizens to take this step in spite of their apprehension.

The 5th City Health Outpost is beginning to take seriously their own role in self-support and patient recruitment. They met with auxiliary this week to make plans for the "Hypertension Clinic", which will be held in a couple weeks.

We are at a stage where community leadership needs to be involved on the ground level of program development--fund-raising, planning, staffing--the nuts and bolts of putting together a complete program package. Also we are sensing a great need to formally rehearse with various community groups the consensus methodology. Many of the new organizations are being blocked by a strict adherence to "Roberts Rules", when corporate decision-making methods are badly needed.

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Representatives from ten different 5th City organizations met this week to begin planning for a 5th City Congress. This was the second time that new leadership from different groups have gathered to report on the programs they are engaged in and have discussed matters pertaining to the community as a whole. A target date in January was set for the Congress, with a large planning session and Christmas celebration set for early in December. Other community Christmas events were discussed and responsibility for them was assumed by individual groups. The meeting was lead by Mr. Wetzel Connie of the 5th City Blocks Association. An ICA auxiliary did a spin on the consensus method and the importance of the Congress.

Two special meetings were held this week with Health Outpost staff, auxiliary, (potential guardian) health personnel, and interested community residents. The purpose of the meetings was to plan the up-coming hypertension clinic; to recruit volunteer health personnel for increased clinic hours; and to develop a general base of community support for the outpost. Eventually community residents will form a health board, and take over the function of policy-making, budget preparation, and fund raising--functions which are currently being handled by auxiliary and health outpost staff.

Simplifying and organizing the housing books has been one focus of the environmental re-development team. Also there has been an attempt to select several key tenants from each of the Pack I and II apartments to begin the process of catalyzing a tenants organization.

In the realm of commercial expansion, an architect has sketched a preliminary drawing of a second 5th City Shopping Center. The grocery store has already outgrown its space, and could bring in business to support a store twice its current size. A developer for the Automotive Services Center has been approached and has responded positively to working with local businessmen in setting up this program.

The staff for the Commercial School met for the first time this week to make concrete plans for the school's curriculum and time-design. Two community women who are very skilled and experienced in secretarial work will be working with two auxiliary for the first term.

The contradiction we sense ourselves up against this week has to do with appropriating a new time of visioning. Our propensity now is to do, to dig into the concrete, achievable tasks for all we're worth. In actuality, however, what is required is to enable others to do what needs to be done, and to push on to the new vision, the next step that is required.