

Council
Of
Federated
Organizations



# MISSISSIPPI STUDENT UNION

## What Can You Give MSU?



You can give your time and your talents to MSU. You will be helping other people in Mississippi and helping yourself. You are a part of Mississippi. MSU and COFO want to make Mississippi a better place for all people. If you are in high school, you can give to others by working with MSU and COFO.

The Mississippi Student Union is for every young person in the state who wants to stop:

- bad schools
- poverty
- police brutality

Everyone in MSU will participate fully in COFO's Mississippi Freedom Summer.

#### What Can MSU Give You?

MSU and COFO have many programs that will make Mississippi a better place to live.
Many of these programs will
help Mississippi students become better equipped to fight
for freedom.

The WorkStudy Project is open to all students who are seniors in high school now and who want to go to college. Students in this project can get a one-year scholarship to Tougaloo College. They must spend a year working on voter registration and talking about important issues.

Freedom Schools are special schools during the summer where young people can learn many things our high schools do not teach us. There will also be lessons in regular subjects for those who want to learn more than they can in regular school. There will be classes in dancing, singing, sports and many other things. All of the Freedom Schools will be free.

Scholarships are available for students who would like to go to college outside of Mississippi.

Summer Camps will be available for young people who would like to spend a summer in the north.

MSU will offer many other programs. What are you interested in?

#### What Is MSU?



The Mississippi Student Union began with the first Mississ-ippi Freedom Day in Hatties-burg on January 22, 1964.

Freedom Day was a project of the Council of Federated Organizations (COFO). COFO is made up of all the groups working for freedom in Mississippi.

Students in Hattiesburg wanted to be an important part of Freedom Day. They felt they needed to meet together and work together. They believed they could do more if they all worked together. They called their new group the Mississippi Student Union because they wanted to know and meet with and work with students from all over the state They also wanted to be a part of COFO and wanted to work on all of COFO's projects.

## How Does MSU Work?

MSU has groups now in Canton, Hattiesburg, Vicksburg, and Jackson. An MSU group starts when young people come together to talk about their problems and what they can do to make Mississippi a better place to live.

The group elects a president, vice-president and secretary. There will be statewide meetings where people from MSU groups all over the state come together to talk and meet each other.

MSU groups will work with CO-FO on voter registration activity and in other programs.

If you would like to have an MSU group where you live, contact the COFO office closest to your home or write to the COFO office in Jackson. Addresses of all of the COFO offices are on the back.



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