

A Brief Description of Each Element of the CORE Southern Program  
To Be Included in the January Workshop (1965)

Community Organization. This is not really a programmatic item, but a technique to be used in all the CORE programs. The technique centers around our efforts to determine:

1. What socio-economic problems are most important to members of the Negro community? (\*)
  2. How can we adapt CORE's ideas and resources to those needs?
- (\*) For instance, CORE southern staff tends to regard public accommodations campaigns as superficial compared to such fundamental concerns as job-training. But it is recognized that success in the latter may only be achieved by using public accommodations as a means of establishing solid rapport with the people.

Food and Welfare Program. Many Negroes have lost jobs, customers or local credit because of their participation in the civil rights struggle. Others, already unfortunate, have been dropped from subsistence programs or relief rolls. The CORE Food and Welfare Program attempts to provide sufficient subsistence that these people will not be obliged to give in to segregationist pressure to "Come back in and be a good boy." Resources for this program are obtained from donations and from such federal agencies as the Food-stamp Program. Solicitation, transportation, storage and distribution of these goods are all problems.

Community Center. This may house any number of programs: library, game-rooms, freedom school, nursery, adult literacy program, etc. Its function varies according to needs, available resources and imagination.

Freedom Schools. This institution usually works on a four-point program: basic literacy, communication and mathematics; Negro history; human relations in the immediate community and in American life generally; popular subjects not included in the current curriculum of local Negro schools. In most instances the Freedom School draws exclusively from the teen-age group.

Political Education. There are three areas of inquiry: procedures of voter registration, study of local and state government and local organization for most effective use of the ballot.

Federal Programs. Up to now, most of our concern has been in those programs designed to help rural people. Still to be explored are federal assistance in housing, job-training, community welfare and all the elements of the Economic Opportunities Act.

CORE Policy and Procedures. There are not many CORE chapters in the South. In Mississippi, COFO is a more familiar organization than CORE. The "Project" (Canton, Meridian, etc.) has developed its own modus operandi. Thus it is necessary to acquaint the staff members with many particulars of the organization of CORE.

CORE SOUTHERN WORKSHOP  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA  
January 21-23, 1965

AGENDA

The topics previously described will be discussed in the workshops as scheduled below. All topics will be treated during each period. The total attendance will thus be able to divide into small groups so as to achieve maximum participation. Participants will divide into three groups for the special service sessions--Legal Services, Community Health and Medical Care, and the National Council of Churches. These are included in the following schedule.

THURSDAY, Jan. 21

12 noon	Lunch
1 p.m.	General Session
1. 2 p.m.	Workshop
2. 4 p.m.	Workshop
6 p.m.	Dinner
3. 7:30 P.m.	Workshop

FRIDAY, Jan. 22

4. 10 a.m.	Workshop
12 noon	Lunch
1 p.m.	Special Services Workshop
2:40 p.m.	Special Services Workshop
4:20 p.m.	Special Services Workshop
6 p.m.	Dinner
7:30 p.m.	Anti-Poverty Program

SATURDAY, JAN. 23

5. 10 a.m.	Workshop
12 noon	Lunch
1 p.m.	Unscheduled
6. 2 p.m.	Workshop
7. 4 p.m.	Workshop
6 p.m.	Dinner
7:30 p.m.	General Session

BUDGET  
FOR FIRST SOUTHERN CORE WORKSHOP, Jan. 21-23

It is likely that some of the listed expenses may not amount to as much as estimated. There is the possibility of some free housing and free rental of conference facilities. In any event, an accurate record of receipts and disbursements will be kept, and submitted to the national office at the conclusion of the conference.

Housing for eighty people @ \$4.00 per da.	\$320.00/	3 days	960.00
Travel expense (see below) round-trip			513.50
Food 2 meals daily @ 75¢/meal.	120.00/	3 days	360.00
Rental of conference facilities @ 25.00/da.			75.00
Information kit @ 60¢/person			48.00
Incidentals and emergencies			75.00
	Estimated Total		<u>\$2031.50</u>

Note: Travel expense is computed on a mileage rate of 5¢/mile for one car each from North Carolina, South Carolina, Jackson, Miss. and Alexandria, Louisiana; two cars each from Florida, Baton Rouge and Monroe, Louisiana; three cars each from Canton and Meridian, Mississippi.

## CORE SOUTHERN WORKSHOPS 1965

The CORE Southern Program is a broad undertaking which attempts to touch the lives of southerners at many points. Each of our workers is concerned with one or several such points, but few have the opportunity to see our full program in depth. This workshop is the first of three scheduled to be held before summer, 1965: Jan. 21-23, March 25-27 and May 27-29.

The subject matter of the three conferences will not vary appreciably. There are three general topics: program, CORE organization and procedures, and non-CORE services (legal aid, etc.). Sessions will be set up in small-group workshops. For the most part, resident staff-people will serve as discussion leaders, but some non-CORE resource persons play an essential role in explaining their special activities.

Either in part or in toto, the conference may handily consider these basic questions:

1. To what human need(s) is this program (or project) addressed?
2. Can you state a goal for it?
3. What methods or activities are presently employed to carry out the program?
4. Can you evaluate the effectiveness of these methods?
5. What programmatic changes and/or additions are necessary?
6. How does your project fit into the total program?

There are presently sixty-five field secretaries and Task Force workers on the CORE staff, plus fifteen or so volunteers. We plan for at least five additional resource people, a number that had best be considered as ten. This adds up to an approximate total number of ninety people, of whom eighty will be from out-of-town. A budget is appended, together with an agenda for the workshop.

There will be three "Special Sessions" on non-CORE services: Legal Services, Community Health and Medical Care, and the National Council of Churches. Discussions on these topics will center around:

1. Resources available through this service
2. Objectives and methods of operation presently practiced
3. Proposed changes to improve program content and co-ordination.