April 3, 1965

TO: FRIENDS OF SNCC OFFICES

FROM: ARLENE WILGOREN

RE: ARKANSAS SUMMER PROJECT

Enclosed you will find the following items regarding the summer project we have planned for Arkansas:

1. A number of applications with a covering letter to applicants about the program and the requirements to participate.

2. A report on Arkansas in general, a brief account of the general condition of the Negro in Arkansas, and an outline of the work SNCC has done here in the last 2 years.

We now have 8 full-time workers in the state (including volunteers), 4 of whom are white. At this time, we anticipate that we can use approximately 50 volunteers for the summer although that figure may change if our staff increases, or, there are more Negro volunteers than we expect. I hope we don't have to emphasize the desperate need for Negro workers, staff or summer volunteer.

A number of the staff will be traveling to various parts of the states and would like to interview prospective volunteers at that time. Following is a tentative schedule:

Nancy Stoller, Howie Himmelbaum, myself and perhaps Stan Tillman will be NE during the week of April 18-24. We are definitely visiting Boston, New York and Washington. If requests are made for interviews in that area, we will stop there also.

Bill Hansen will be in Cincinnati from April 15-20.

Jim Jones will be in Milwaukee, Madison and possibly Chicago during the week of April 26-May 1. (Ben Grinage may be with him for part of this trip).

Jerry and Marsha Tecklin will be in St. Louis April 14-19.

We will be in touch with each SNCC office when we get into town but if you could set up appointments for interviews beforehand, we will be able to plan our trips better.

If you want any more information or any more of the forms enclosed, please let us know.

Yours in Freedom,

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