NEWSLETTER #2

To Leaders of all Participating Groups:

(1) This edition of the Newsletter contains information about participating organizations, the progress of the March, key people in many areas of the Country, health instructions.

(2) In a few days time you will receive from us organizing manual #2. This will contain detailed instructions for August 28 -- timetable, conduct of groups, program, method of assembly and dispersal, etc. Read this carefully and be sure that copies get into the hands of all March leaders and bus captains in your area. It is the final instruction manual that you will receive.

(3) Keep your local press and publicity media posted on your activities. Send them names of participating groups, names and addresses of committee officers, news about rallies and fund raising events. Let the press know where people who want to go to Washington from your area can get information about travel. Send carbon copies of all releases to us so that we may have a picture of what is going on in your area. (See attached memo.)

(4) Enclosed with this letter is a Bus Captain form. All groups chartering buses should select their captains, fill out this form, and return to us not later than August 19.

(5) Unemployed people are anxious to come to Washington from both Northern and Southern communities. They cannot do so in any numbers unless this is made financially possible by other communities. Please send us any funds that you have raised for this purpose -- payable to MARCH ON WASHINGTON and marked 'unemployed' -- now.
WHY WE MARCH

The historic March called for August 28 of this year raises demands for speedy action on two fronts, civil rights and jobs. It insists that only national action through the Federal Government, can achieve full and speedy integration of public facilities and schools, the end of police brutality, and full equality before the law. It underlines the gravity of the economic crisis, with at least five million people out of work; and insists that only swift Federal action through a massive public works program, can eliminate this threat to national security.

The March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom that will be held on August 28th will mark a new stage in the struggle against the brother evils of American society: racial discrimination and economic deprivation. Never before have such numbers of citizens, of all races and for a wide range of purposes, united in direct action at the seat of the Federal Government to protest their enemies and to inspire their friends. Time is heavy with proofs that there is no substitute for the personal involvement of people who are outraged or oppressed by social wrongs; and the solutions to the great wrongs that affect us all are in a large measure in the hands of the Federal Government.

Thus we call on all Americans to join us in Washington:

to demand the passage of effective civil rights legislation which will guarantee to all

... decent housing

... access to all public accommodations

... adequate and integrated education

... the right to vote

to prevent compromise or filibuster against such legislation

to demand a federal massive works and training program that puts all unemployed workers, black and white, back to work

to demand an FEP Act which bars discrimination by federal, state and municipal governments, by employers, by contractors, employment agencies and trade unions

to demand a national minimum wage, which includes all workers, of not less than $2.00 an hour.
ORGANIZATIONS SPONSORING THE MARCH AND PARTICIPATING IN IT

I SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS

American Jewish Congress
Congress of Racial Equality
Industrial Union Department AFL-CIO
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
National Conference of Catholics for Interracial Justice
National Council of Churches of Christ in America
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
Student non-Violent Coordinating Committee
National Urban League
Negro American Labor Council

II PARTICIPATING GROUPS
(Partial list)

Churches

Hundreds of churches of every denomination are sending buses to Washington and joining the March. Those that have reported to the office their participation include Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, Episcopalian, and Lutheran denominations.

Community Organizations and Institutions

Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
Alumni Association of Catholic University
American Civil Liberties Union
Americans for Democratic Action
American Friends Service Committee
American Jewish Committee
Association of Catholic Trade Unionists
Chicago Commission on Human Relations
Committee on Religion and Race
Committee of Conscience
Council of Community Churches
Delta Sigma Theta Center of Human Relations
Japanese American Citizens League
Jewish Labor Committee
Jewish War Veterans
Mobilization for Youth
National Council of Jewish Women
National Council of Negro Women
New York City Commission on Human Rights
New York City Mission Society
National Federation of Settlements-Neighborhood Centers
New York State Association of Elks
Pan African Student Organization
Presbyterian Interracial Council
Prince Hall Grand Lodge of the Masons of the State of N.Y.
Prince Hall Order of the Eastern Stars
Princeton Human Rights Group

Queens's College Student Association
Putters University Labor Institute

Union of American Hebrew Congregations
United Conference of College Teachers
United Hebrew Trades

Workmen's Circle
Workers' Defense League

Young Christian Worker
Young Israel (Pelham Parkway and West Side)
Young Men's Christian Association (National Board)
Young Women's Christian Association (Pittsburgh)

Zeta Nu Omega

LABOR

State Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations
New York City Central Labor Council
Long Island Federation of Labor
Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America AFL-CIO
Amalgamated Laundry Workers
Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butchers Workmen and Fur Workers Division
American Federation of Teachers AFL-CIO
Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters
Building Service Employees
Cleaners and Dyers Joint Board
International Union of Electrical Workers (District 33/4)
Retail Wholesale Department Store Workers
Hotel and Restaurant Workers Joint Board
International Association of Retail Clerks
International Jewelry Workers
International Ladies Garment Workers Union
International Association of Machinists (District Council 15)
International Maritime Union
Oil Chemical and Atomic Workers
Painters District Council #9
Seafarers' International Union
United Steelworkers of America
United Furniture Workers
United Transport Workers
United Automobile Workers

The National Council of Churches of Christ in America has announced that August 28, the day of the March, will be a Church Assembly in Washington. A special printed folder has been distributed to thousands of churches throughout the Country explaining the Christian purposes of the March and the reasons for church involvement in it.

"We need," says the National Council, "thousands of Christians, white and Negro in Washington on August 28. Put everything else aside and COME."

A similar position has been taken by the Catholic Church. A pastoral letter read in Catholic churches August 11 from Cardinal Spellman urges a similar involvement in the March upon American Catholics.

Jews as well as Christians of all denominations have responded to the call to come to Washington. The organization of Methodist and Lutheran Marches to facilitate involvement may be mentioned; and in many areas the churches and synagogues have set up their own coordinators to facilitate involvement of their congregations.

Doctors, dentists, nurses and health workers are participating as part of a medical group. This will make clear to the nation that health workers stand solidly with clergy, labor, and the unemployed in the effort to secure freedom and jobs for all. The medical groups will each march under their own banners (caducei). Further information may be obtained from Medical Committee for Civil Rights, P.O. Box 499, Madison Square Station, New York 10, N.Y. or 4 5660.
NEWS OF THE MARCH

News is pouring in to us of March preparations being made around the country. Committees to publicize the March and arrange transportation and recruitment have sprung up literally in hundreds of communities. City and country-wide committees are coordinating these activities. We include a list of people in different States who are organizing for the March, with their addresses, area codes, and phone numbers.

In the South plans are under way for a Freedom Train from Tallahassee, Florida on August 27, and will travel along the east coast to Washington, picking up people as it goes. Those desiring passage on this train should call Rev. Abraham Woods, 334 Auburn Avenue Atlanta, Georgia. 404 524 1378. Stops at Brunswick and Savannah, Georgia, and Charleston, S.C.

Floyd McKissack, National Chairman of CORE, reports that he has eleven buses ready to leave from North Carolina, and will fill many more before August 28. Robert Moses, director of voter registration in Mississippi, is certain that he can get more than 1,000 people from Mississippi to participate in the March if there is money to pay for transportation (those of you who have not sent funds to the National Office, please note.)

News reaches us of preparations for the turning out of many thousands of people from Baltimore and Washington, D.C. In the latter city government authorities have advised departmental heads to give their employees the day off where possible.

In the mid West two trains and a number of planes have been chartered from Chicago, and one train is scheduled to come from Detroit. Busloads will arrive in Washington from Cincinnati, Cleveland, and Youngstown, Ohio; from Kansas City, Kansas, and Kansas City, Missouri; and from Louisville, Kentucky.

In New York our smallest calculations include that at least thirty or forty thousand people will leave the city by bus, plane, and train. Mayor Wagner has declared August 28 Jobs and Freedom Day. City employees have permission to take the day off, presumably with pay.
Contact the following people in your area for further information:

**California**

Fredericka Cushner  
1958 Golden Gate #3  
San Francisco  
415 FT 6-9082

Rev. Maurice Dawkins  
1025 E. 18th Street  
Los Angeles 21  
213 FT 7-6365

**Colorado**

Tom Milstein  
Boulder March on Washington Con.  
870 Hudson St.  
Denver 20, Colo.  
322-9219

Rev. Joseph L. Griffin  
Greater East Denver Action Com.  
3240 Adams St.  
Denver 5, Colo.  
377-1910

**Connecticut**

Rev. James Peterson  
511 Central Ave.  
Bridgeport  
203 365 0688

**Delaware**

General Jackson  
402 Robinson Dr.  
Wilmington  
302 OL 6-1777

**Georgia**

Joseph Eyer  
16 W. Park Ave.  
Savannah

Rev. Abraham Woods  
334 Auburn Ave, NE  
Atlanta  
404 525-1378

Worth Long  
64 Raymond St.  
Atlanta  
404 668-0331

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312 621-1810

**Indiana**

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Gary  
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## March Coordinators - 2

### Kansas

- **Lela Shanks**
  - 2600 North 12th
  - Kansas City
  - 913 FI 2-9140

### Kentucky

- **George A. Trice**
  - 1101 South 41st St.
  - Louisville
  - 502 774-1174

### Louisiana

- **Isaac Reynolds**
  - Plaquemine
  - 504 687-6214

### Maryland

- **Gloria Richardson**
- **Reggie Robinson**
  - 317 High Street
  - Cambridge
  - MA 8-2040

### Massachusetts

- **Arthur Epps**
  - 541 Massachusetts Ave.
  - Boston
  - 617 CO 7-1058

### Michigan

- **Horace Sheffield**
  - 18th05 Greenfield
  - Detroit
  - 835-8321

### Minnesota

- **James White**
  - 1525 Fourth Ave., So.
  - Minneapolis
  - 612 781 6022

### Missouri

- **William Clay**
  - 722 Chestnut St.
  - St. Louis
  - 314 FO 1-9202

### New Jersey

- **Assemblyman George Richardson**
  - 52 Holland Street
  - Newark
  - 201 BI 8-3788

- **Mrs. Connie Timberlake**
  - 4728 East 44th Terrace
  - Kansas City
  - 816 VI 2-5121

- **Isaac McNatt**
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Richmond MI 4-5678
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Lynchburg

Rev. Robinson
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Norfolk 203 MA 2-9798

Washington, D. C.

Ed. Brown
1417 U St., NW
HEALTH INSTRUCTIONS

For organizations and bus captains:

(1) A professional nurse or a person trained in first aid should be on each bus or train.

(2) The following first aid supplies should be on hand with each transportation unit:

- spirits of ammonia
- aspirin
- travel sickness pills
- enteric coated
- gelusil or antacid tablets
- salt tablets
- waterproof paper bags for travel sickness
- band aids
- paper towels

(3) In case of emergency en route requiring the help of a physician contact the local police and request transportation to nearest hospital with emergency service. If you run into difficulty contact:

Medical Committee for Civil Rights
Willard Hotel
Washington, D. C. 202 NA 8-4420 collect

This number will be staffed continuously from 8:00 p.m. Tuesday night until 8:00 a.m. Thursday morning (27 - 29th August)

(4) In Washington the D. C. authorities are establishing field hospitals at the assembly areas where emergency cases may be brought.

For Individuals

(1) Supply yourself with plenty of water. Do not bring alcoholic refreshments, only water and soft drinks.

(2) Avoid using sandwich fillings that will spoil rapidly in the heat. In particular avoid the use of mayonnaise, as it deteriorates rapidly and may cause serious diarrhoea.

(3) Wear low-heeled comfortable shoes, and bring a light raincoat. Be sure and bring a hat or other protection for your head, as you may be standing and walking for a number of hours in the hot sun. And don't forget sunglasses.

(4) Supply yourself with enough food for two meals. Include fresh fruit, and also dried fruit like raisins which supply energy, and hard candy. Enteric coated salt tablets may help you guard against heat exhaustion. (any food in a cold insulated bag.)