

POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN

COMMITTEES

Listed below are the various committees working on the Poor People's Campaign in the Washington, D.C. area. If you are interested in working on one of these committees, please fill out the application at the end of the committee list and mail it to our office. Someone from the Campaign will then get in touch with you.

A. "New City" Committees

1. Alternate Housing: To develop alternate housing arrangements in the Washington Metropolitan area (e.g. Private homes, churches, gymnasiums, hotel facilities, etc.) in case the participants are unable to live in the New City.
2. Transportation: To develop resources (e.g. buses, cabs, private cars, etc.) for transportation participants without expense to various campaign activities in the Washington Metropolitan area.
3. Building Structures and Layout: To design and find resources for the construction of temporary shelters (e.g. tents, prefabricated housing, shanties, etc.) and to arrange them in a manner which enhances social interaction and other functions of the New City.
4. Social Services: To provide specialized care that is not within the framework of Campaign workers. To set up model social services facilities and make referrals to pertinent local chapters in home, communities of the "New City" families.
5. Entertainment: To organize programs of entertainment for participants in the campaign.
6. Food: To make arrangements and be responsible for the feeding of participants of the campaign including the collection of food, its preparation and distribution to participants.
7. Freedom Schools: To plan and implement a model educational program for pre-school and school children, including high school participants in the campaign and to locate the resources, material and instruction necessary to operate the schools.
8. Medical and Sanitation: To work with the Medical Committee for Human Rights in the development of a model health care program for participants in the campaign, to carry out a regular program of health inspection of New City facilities, and develop the water supply and sanitary facilities of the New City.

9. General Services and Administration: To establish procedures for the receiving of new arrivals in the New City, the coordination of the various services and programs of the New City, and to propose methods for democratic operation by its residents.
10. Site Selection: To locate and survey potential sites for the New City and to convey detailed information, with maps, or such sites to the appropriate SCLC Committees.
11. Workshops and Mass Meetings: To develop educational workshops and meetings for the participants in the campaign with the aim of increasing their understanding of the problems facing this country and the world, their suggested solutions and the nature of the campaign.

B. Supporting Committees

1. College and Youth Involvement: To establish committees in support of the campaign on campuses in the Washington Metropolitan area and to develop ways in which college students and other youths may become involved in the campaign.
2. Fund Raising: To secure funds to cover the costs of the campaign.
3. Legal Services: To inform the appropriate SCLC Committee of laws affecting the activities of the campaign and to provide legal defense for those participants arrested during the campaign.
4. Legislative Research: To perform research and write reports and summaries of existing and proposed legislation affecting the campaign, to keep abreast of new bills, to develop procedures and arrangements for poor people to visit Congressmen.
5. Non-poor involvement: To educate the non-poor on the nature of poverty in the U. S., non-violent philosophy, and the campaign; to provide the necessary assistance to the poor (e.g. housing, food, transportation, clothing, fund raising, etc.): to prepare the non-poor to join the poor at the appropriate time when announced by SCLC.
6. Public Relations: To organize the presentation of the planning and operation of the campaign to the public through the mass media and through speeches to groups in the Washington metropolitan area.
7. Procurement Committee: To make arrangements and be responsible for the acquisition of all supplies and necessities pertinent to the needs of all other committees and the general needs of "New City."

To: Poor People's Campaign
Southern Christian Leadership Conference
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Dear Sirs:

I am interested in serving on the _____
_____ Committee in support of the Poor
People's Campaign.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone (home) _____ (work) _____
(ext.) _____

Occupation _____

Organization _____
(if any)

Checks or contributions may be sent to the above address.
Checks should be made payable to the Poor People's Campaign,
SCLC.