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December 7, 1995

MEMORANDUM FOR HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON

FROM: Brenda Costello
SUBJECT: Briefings for Friday, December 8

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DECEMBER 7, 1995

MEDICARE LISTENING SESSION

DATE:	Friday, December 8
TIME:	10:00 am
LOCATION:	Margeson Apartments, Portsmouth, NH
FROM:	Brenda Costello

I. PURPOSE

To participate in a Medicare listening session with seniors living in the Margeson Apartment complex.

II. BACKGROUND

You will participating in a Medicare listening session with residents of the Margeson Apartment complex in Portsmouth, NH. Six seniors (5 women, 1 man) will participate, with an audience of approximately 100 seniors who live in the apartment complex.

Anita Freedman, Commissioner of the Portsmouth Housing Authority will welcome participants and introduce you. Freedman, Co-Chair of the Clinton primary campaign in 1991/1992, recommended this venue. She is active in New Hampshire politics and met with the President at the White House last month. The discussion will commence after your brief opening remarks. Anita Freedman will close the program.

Note: Portsmouth Mayor Eileen Foley will present you with an ornament (Portsmouth Harbor) at the conclusion of the listening session.

Margeson Apartments

Margeson Apartments is a seniors residence which houses 160 residents in 137 units. This six-story complex opened in 1973. Ted Connors, Manager of Margeson Apartments, estimates that approximately 90 percent of the residents are senior women. There are a few non-seniors living in Margeson who are disabled and eligible for SSI. Over 80% of all residents receive Medicare benefits.

Statewide, the percentage of citizens over age 65 is 11.27%, with women accounting for 60 percent of that number. The mean rent on an apartment in New Hampshire is \$489 per month. The cost per year, including utilities, would be \$7,200. The average income of families living in public housing is currently around \$6,400. In this complex, the maximum income of residents is \$23,000 per year, with 30 percent of income required to be paid for rent.

Portsmouth Housing Authority

Margeson Apartments is run by the Portsmouth Housing Authority (PHA) and receives 100 percent of federal funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The PHA has received high performance ratings from HUD for its management and has won awards for the past two years. With a 100 percent rating this year, another award is expected. PHA is located on the first floor of the Margeson Apartment complex .

PHA runs several other senior facilities (Margeson is the largest), including two additional 6 story high rises and four other sites. Close to 500 seniors reside in PHA housing.

In addition to running Margeson Apartments, the Portsmouth Housing Authority runs/provides numerous social service programs for seniors as well, including a Meals on Wheels program (for Margeson residents as well as seniors in neighboring towns, a Senior Center which provides nutrition, counseling, recreation, and a full time nurse free of charge to seniors, and the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program, one of the largest senior volunteer program in New England (which they are especially proud of).

III. PARTICIPANTS

-Anita Freedman, Commissioner, Portsmouth Housing Authority
-Violet Constant
-Robert Forsing
-Alda Irons
-Macy Morse
-Priscilla Hall
-Irene Peters
(See attached descriptions)

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- HRC arrives Margeson Apartments
- HRC proceeds to Recreation Room and directly to seat on stage
- Anita Freedman welcomes and introduces HRC
- HRC makes remarks and opens discussion with participants
- Participants discuss their stories
- Anita Freedman closes program and introduces Mayor Eileen Foley
- Mayor Foley presents HRC with gift
- HRC works ropeline and proceeds to hold
- HRC departs

V. PRESS

Open press.

VI. REMARKS

Talking points prepared by Jennifer Klein.

SEATING CHART

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1995
MARGESON APARTMENTS, PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE
10:00AM-11:00AM**

X ANITA FRIEDMAN

X ROBERT "BOB" FORSING

X ALDA IRONS

X VIOLET CONSTANT

X HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON

X MACY MORSE

X IRENE PETERS

X PRISCILLA HALL

***Older Women's League**

***AARP**

***National Breast Cancer Coalition**

PORTSMOUTH PANEL MEMBERS

(None of the panelists come from the Margeson Apartments)

ALDA IRONS

A 80 year-old cancer survivor who is currently in remission from bladder cancer. She needs constant check-ups and realizes how expensive medical care could be. Alda is a recipient of Medicare and Medicaid and is very concern at the cost of her treatment if she lost the governmental benefits. Medicaid currently covers prescription drugs and eye glasses.

VIOLET CONSTANT

A 69 year-old volunteers a great deal of her time with the American Association of Retired Persons, the National Breast Cancer Coalition and the Women's Health Network. Her husband, Albert, is not in good health, but fully supports her volunteer efforts in the area of breast cancer. They are both recipients of Medicare.

MACY MORSE

A 74 year-old railroad widow, Mother of 13. She is Medicare dependent since her income is based on a small railroad pension and social security. She hurt her shoulder this summer and only through Medicare was she able to get any kind of physical therapy. Macy is very frightened by current congressional proposals. Macy is a member of the Older Women's League.

PRISCILLA HALL

A 65 year old who believes that Medicare's mammography screening benefit is very important. She receives her primary insurance through her employer's plan until January 1996. Medicare is her secondary insurance. She worked in a medical office and has seen the positive impact Medicare has on people's lives, especially for women. Priscilla is a member of the Older Women's League.

ROBERT "BOB" FORSING

A 67 year old American Association Retired Persons volunteer. Bob is a Medicare recipient, he supplements it with insurance coverage. His wife Patricia was diagnosed six years ago with breast cancer, had a mastectomy and radiation and chemotherapy. Last November she was told that the cancer had metastasized to the liver and bones. The couple are worried and frightened about rising costs, higher deductibles, quality of care, and being forced into an HMO. Patricia goes on Medicare January 1996 and wants to know if Medicare will cover her cancer treatment.

IRENE PETERS

A 72 year old volunteer with American Association of Retired Persons. Ms. Peters is our senior expert as a former health advocate for health promotion, health wellness and long term care and worked with the Medicare and Medicaid assistance counseling program (MAPS). The MAPS program was later taken over by HCFA and is now called Insurance Counseling Assistance (ICA). She is a strong supporter of the Clinton Health Care legislation. Ms. Peters will share stories of medicare recipients she works with who are fearful rising out of pocket costs and choice of physician.

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PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Margeson Apartments. This is a 137 unit development for the elderly. It is currently 100% occupied. It is owned and operated by the Portsmouth Housing Authority. It was initially occupied in August 1973.

Portsmouth Housing Authority (PHA). The PHA's Executive Director is Mr. Timothy Connors. PHA has a total of 421 units of public housing. Here are some noteworthy items regarding the PHA:

- o PHA won an award from the Department of Housing and Urban Development last year for being a High Performing Public Housing Agency with exceptionally high ratings (scores of 98 or above) for two consecutive years. This year it appears that the PHA will achieve a perfect score of 100%!

- o PHA is very proactive in the way of social services. Some examples include:

- (1) **Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP).** There are 190 different sites in Portsmouth and in other areas in Rockingham County where a total of 1164 volunteers are providing various services. Last year a total of 257,000 hours were donated by seniors living in the various public housing developments operated by the Portsmouth Housing Authority! This RSVP Program, funded by the Corporation for National Service, reportedly covers one of the largest areas in the northeast.

- (2) **Meals on Wheels.** The PHA coordinates the delivery of 40,000 meals which includes not only Portsmouth but other towns which do not have organized public housing agencies.

- (3) **Senior Drop-in Center.** These are places set-aside in various developments owned by the PHA where seniors can come in to visit other residents or non-residents for socialization.

- (4) **Nursing/Social Workers.** The PHA provides space in its developments for use by nurses and social workers for discussing concerns by the residents as well as a base for making home visits.

- (4) **Transportation Program.** The PHA owns three buses for the purpose of providing transportation to its residents for doctor appointments and for shopping.

The PHA provides these services as an attempt to keep its elderly residents in place as long as possible and to maintain their independence as an alternative to nursing homes.

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
TALKING POINTS FOR VISIT TO MARGESON APARTMENTS
DECEMBER 8, 1995**

[Acknowledge the excellence of the Margeson Apartments and the Portsmouth Housing Authority, which have received numerous awards from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.]

- I'm happy to be here today to talk with you. This is one in a series of conversations I have had with older Americans about health care. Today's discussion -- about the importance of Medicare for all of you and for so many other older Americans -- is particularly significant given the current debate over the Federal budget.
- On Wednesday, the President vetoed the Republican budget because it violates the values we hold dear in this country -- values like family, community, dignity, opportunity and responsibility. He vetoed the biggest Medicare and Medicaid cuts in history, deep cuts in education, a rollback in environmental protection, and a tax increase on working families.
- Yesterday, the President announced his plan to balance the budget in seven years. His budget shows that we don't need to do any of those things to balance the budget. That we can protect our investments in health care, education and the environment, and give a tax cut to working families.
- Now the hard work begins. We need to work together to balance the budget to strengthen the economy and protect our children from debt, but we need to do it in a way that protects our priorities and honors the commitments we have to each other.
- We're here today to talk about Medicare -- a program that for 30 years has relieved older Americans and their families from the burden of unmanageable health care costs, and from the fear that they might not be able to afford those costs.
- The Republicans say that they need to take huge cuts in Medicare -- \$270 billion -- to strengthen the program for the future. But we can secure the Medicare trust fund -- as the President does in his budget -- with far lower cuts. We can do it without forcing hospitals to close and without threatening the quality of health care in this country. And we can do it without making health care unaffordable for Medicare beneficiaries -- 75 percent of whom have incomes of less than \$25,000 a year.
- The Republican budget would increase premiums by \$264 for elderly couples in 1996 alone, and premiums would nearly double by 2002. That would place a huge burden on all people on Medicare, and would be particularly harmful for older women. Today, the average income for women over 65 is only about \$8,500 a year. Some, like the people here at Margeson, are doing okay. But it's difficult to imagine how older Americans, especially women, will be able to absorb dramatically increased health care costs.
- [Open panel discussion.]

SUGGESTED QUESTIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS

Irene Peters, State Coordinator for Advocacy Services for AARP (Expert): What do you find are the two or three greatest concerns that older Americans raise about health care?

[NOTE: She is prepared to talk about Medicaid and long-term care as well as Medicare.]

Macy Morse: Older Americans already spend 21% of their incomes on health care. At the Margeson Apartments, residents spend 30% of their incomes on housing -- and that's a good deal less than other older Americans in less fortunate situations. That does not even take into account food and other necessities. Can you tell us about your concerns about increased costs and about the Republican proposals to cut Medicare?

[NOTE: Macy hurt her shoulder this summer and only received physical therapy because of Medicare. She is worried that you can have an unexpected illness or injury at any time that may be costly.]

Robert ("Bob") Forcing: Under the Republican Medicare plan, costs may rise so much in traditional Medicare that some people will only be able to afford HMOs. Do you and your wife worry about losing the ability to keep your doctor and about making sure you get high quality care?

[Bob is on Medicare. Bob's wife has breast cancer and will be eligible for Medicare in January 1996.]

Violet Constant: You have been a breast cancer survivor for 12 years. Can you tell us how you discovered the cancer?

Follow up: And now you get regular mammograms under Medicare?

[NOTE: Last year, we launched a campaign to encourage women to take advantage of the mammography benefit offered by Medicare. Under the President's Medicare proposal announced yesterday, we: (1) eliminate cost sharing for mammograms; and (2) cover them every year.]

Alda Irons: I understand that you are covered by both Medicare and Medicaid. Many people don't know that Medicaid serves older Americans by covering services that Medicare doesn't cover -- like prescription drugs and long-term care -- and by paying Medicare premiums and cost sharing.

Alda, I know that your cancer is in remission, that you've needed expensive health care in the past, and even today you go for constant check-ups. Under the Republican plan, premiums would rise dramatically for people on Medicare. At the same time, Medicaid would no longer help pay Medicare costs. Are you concerned that health care could become unaffordable?

Priscilla Hall: You work in a doctor's office. Do you find that people delay going to a doctor because of concerns about the costs?

Follow up: We have tried to encourage early doctor visits so that people get preventive care. In the President's Medicare proposal, he takes steps in the right direction by offering new preventive services (e.g., new preventive injections for pneumonia, flu and hepatitis B), colon cancer screening, mammography).

Meet and Greet with Members of State Legislature

Carole S. Appel
Roger Berube, Demo St Rep
George Brown, Demo St Rep St Comm
Frank Callaghan, Demo St Rep
Richard Cavanaugh, County Sheriff
Lynanne Clark, Town Chair, St Comm, VP County Comm
Marlene Dechane, Demo St Rep
Donald Gordon, Town Chair, St Comm
Anne Grassie Jr., Demo St Rep, St Comm
Elaine Hashem, St Comm
Roland Hemon, Demo StRep
Dana Hilliard, Demo St Rep. St Comm
Jackie Jenkins
William Knowles, Demo St Rep, St Comm
Allan Krans
Suzanne Loder, Demo St Rep
Raymond Lundbom, Demo St Rep, School Board
George Maglararas, County Commiss
Amanda Merrill, Demo St Rep, St Comm
Deborah Foote Merritt, Demo St Rep
Arthur Peltetier, Demo St Rep
Janet Pelley, St Comm
Raymond Proubc, S.E.A. Officer
Kimberly Quint, County Reg of Deeds
Claire Snyder, Demo St Rep; Town Chair, St Comm
Lincoln Soldati, County Attorney
Leo Spencer, County Chair, St Comm, Exec Comm
Brian Stern
Francis Vincent, Demo St Rep
Janet Wald, Demo St Rep
Katherine Wells Wheeler, Demo St Rep, St Comm
Claudia Watson
Jeanne Shaheen, Demo St Sen, St Comm, Exec Comm
Susan Pillsbury-Jenkins
Julie Roberts

Caroline McCarley will introduce Mrs. Clinton to Strafford County Democrats before the speech at the University of New Hampshire.

CAROLINE McCARLEY
Political Director, Clinton-Gore, New Hampshire

Caroline McCarley is the political director of the Clinton-Gore campaign in New Hampshire and a resident of Rochester, New Hampshire. Born in Birmingham, Alabama, Caroline McCarley has been a resident of New Hampshire since 1974. She has chaired the Rochester School Board since 1989, and was re-elected to the Board in 1995. In 1994, Ms. McCarley ran for the N.H. State Senate in District Six. She has also served as the Deputy Executive Director of the N.H. Democratic Party. Ms. McCarley is an incorporator of the N.H. Charitable Foundation. Since 1974, she has been married to Dan Harkinson and is the mother of Ben, McCarley and Sam Harkinson.

December 7, 1995

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE ADDRESS

DATE:	Friday, December 8
TIME:	11:40 am
LOCATION:	Lundholm Gymnasium, UNH
FROM:	Brenda Costello

I. PURPOSE

To address students, faculty and staff of the University of New Hampshire and members of the Durham community about the Administration's accomplishments.

II. BACKGROUND

University of New Hampshire

Founded in 1866, UNH is a coeducational public university with 10,800 undergraduates and 1,500 graduate students. Forty percent of the students come from outside New Hampshire with about one percent international student population, and 60 percent in-state.

UNH is located in Durham, NH, a semi-rural area in the southeast region of the state, 20 minutes from Portsmouth. Boston is about 90 minutes away. More than 600 faculty members support the full range of courses and disciplines at UNH. Grants, loans and work-study are available to the 64 percent of students who receive some form of financial aid.

Program

You were invited to speak by the College Democrats, the Student Senate, and a Women in Politics class, taught by Aline Kuntz and Janet Polasky. Approximately 2,500 are expected, with 1,000 on the floor and 1,500 in the balcony. The audience will be predominantly students and faculty, with Clinton/Gore supporters, a group of High school students and some Durham residents.

UNH President and former Governor Walter Peterson will give welcoming remarks and introduce Liz Purdy, President of the UNH Student Senate and College Democrats. Liz will give brief remarks and introduce you.

Note: Madeline Kunin was scheduled to speak at the University last week but canceled her trip to NH.

III. PARTICIPANTS

- Walter Peterson, UNH President
- Liz Purdy, President, Student Senate; President, College Democrats
- Jared Sexton, President, Student Body, UNH
- Virginia Dearani, Vice President, Student Body, UNH
- Aline Kuntz, Professor, Political Science, Women in Politics course
- Janet Polasky, Professor, History, Women in Politics course

IV. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- HRC and Walter Peterson, UNH President, are announced
- HRC proceeds to seat on stage
- Walter Peterson delivers remarks, introduces Liz Purdy
- Liz Purdy delivers remarks, introduces HRC
- HRC delivers remarks
- HRC works ropeline and departs

V. PRESS

Open press.

VI. REMARKS

Prepared by Lissa Muscarine.

Platform Party
University of New Hampshire
Friday, December 8, 1995
Lundholm Gymnasium

Walter Peterson, Interim President, July 1995 - Present;
President, Franklin Pierce College, Rindge, NH, 1975 - 1995; President of New
Hampshire Constitutional Convention, 1974-75; Governor of New
Hampshire, 1969 - 1973 (Republican); House Majority Leader and then
Speaker of the New Hampshire House of Representatives, 1965 - 1969;
wife - Dorothy (will give greetings)

Liz Purdy, student; senior political science major; from Westfield, Massachusetts;
Speaker of the UNH Student Senate, 1995-96; President, UNH College
Democrats Organization, 1995-96 (will introduce the First Lady)

Jared Sexton, student; senior dual major in American history and economics; from
Webster, N.Y. UNH Student Body President, 1995-96; UNH Honors Program;
the Washington Center's Minority Leaders Fellowship, summer 1994;
President, Black Student Union, 1992-1995, Varsity Football, 1992-1994.

Virginia Dearani, student, senior psychology major; from Fitzwilliam, N.H.; UNH
Student Body Vice President, 1995-96.

Janet Polasky, Professor of History and Women's Studies; at UNH since 1981; Ph.D.
Stanford University, 1978; currently teaching Women in Western Political
Theory course.

Aline Kuntz, Associate Professor of Political Science; at UNH since 1988; Ph.D.
Cornell University, 1987; currently teaching Women in Western Political
Theory course.

**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
REMARKS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DURHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE
DECEMBER 8, 1995**

[Acknowledgments: former Governor Peterson, now the interim President of the university; Liz Purdy, President of the Student Senate and College Democrats]

I am delighted to be here in New Hampshire, and to have this opportunity to join you on campus. Whether you are students, faculty, administrators, or members of the Durham community, you can take pride in knowing that this institution truly represents the full diversity and possibility of America. It is a place that takes seriously the education of young people and the future they represent. And that is why, I believe, all of you have so much at stake in the political debate now taking place in Washington and across our country.

This is an unusual time in the history of America. It is a time of great change and uncertainty, a time when our world is moving from the Industrial Age to the Information Age, from the polarization of the Cold War to the new relationships forming within the global village.

It is also a time of enormous potential, particularly for America and Americans. No other nation is so well-positioned to enable its people to fulfill their dreams and to lead the world to peace, prosperity and freedom.

The critical question we face as a nation is how to tap into the potential of the greatest resource we have -- our people -- as we cope with the challenges and changes that this new era brings.

I believe that we don't just do it by talking about family values. We do it by valuing families. By valuing children. By valuing the workers who are the backbone of our economy and our society. By valuing older Americans whose wisdom and experience have helped build and sustain our nation's greatness. By valuing the institutions that are the foundation of our democracy and our way of life.

We do it by putting our values into action.

More than three years ago, my husband came to this campus to sign his filing papers for the Democratic presidential primary.

He said as he campaigned in New Hampshire that he would work to make the America Dream alive and well for every citizen; to value the potential of every person to contribute to his or her own well-being as well as our nation's well-being; to make government smaller, leaner, and more efficient; to promote policies that have allowed our economy to gain steam over the last three years so that we could expand the middle class, shrink the underclass, and produce jobs and continued growth; to restore the old-fashioned American values of hard work and responsibility and to create an economic and social climate in which individuals, families, and communities could all flourish.

Putting people first was what my husband pledged to do as President. Putting people first is what my husband is doing today as President. And putting people first is what my husband will do tomorrow as President. That is why I am so proud to be here in New Hampshire.

I am proud because I know how hard this President has worked to better the lives of all Americans and how much his Administration has accomplished.

I remember during the last campaign going with my husband to factories in this state that were on the verge of closing. Now they are open, thanks to trade and economic policies that have expanded U.S. markets, strengthened our economy and created more than 7 million new jobs, including nearly 35,000 in New Hampshire alone, most of which are in the private sector.

I remember visiting families who were in danger of losing their houses because banks were foreclosing on their mortgages. Thanks to banking reforms put in place by the Clinton Administration, America's banks are safer than they have been in years and are making loans once again to homeowners and small businesspeople who deserve a chance to own a home.

I remember meeting older Americans who pleaded with my husband to do something about health care costs because they and others like them were in the unthinkable position of having to choose between paying for prescription drugs or food on their tables.

The President did not forget these people when he got to Washington, and that is why the gloomy picture that I remember from a few years ago is much brighter today in New Hampshire and across our country.

Not only has this President reduced the federal deficit for three years in a row and reduced the size of government -- something that no other President has done since Harry Truman was in office -- he kept his word on the economic strategy he offered and the policies he fought for have empowered workers, families and businesses and lifted the fortunes of entire communities.

In New Hampshire alone:

-- the unemployment rate has dropped from 7.6 percent to 3.9 percent since my husband became President;

-- 181,000 workers are protected by the Family and Medical Leave Act;

-- home sales have increased, bankruptcy filings have dropped and so have businesses failures.

-- and, perhaps most important to those of you here this morning, 109,700 students and former students around the state are able to benefit from student loan reforms that allow for lowers interest rates and more repayment options.

Here on this campus, and at every other public education institution in our country, we can tell a lot about our national priorities and about who and what we really value as a society.

Historically, our nation has regarded education as a collective responsibility. We have understood that education was a gateway to opportunity that could make an difference in the lives of all of our people. And yet, we see that opportunity under attack. Today, there are some among us who are willing to knock down the ladders of opportunity after they, themselves, have already reached the top rung.

They seem to forget that education is not just important for acquiring facts or knowledge. It is not only important for acquiring skills to prepare oneself for the workplace.

It is also about learning how to meet the challenges of one's time -- how to solve problems and adapt to new circumstances. It is about building a broader understanding of our world, and building one's capacity for tolerance and compassion and responsible behavior. It is about defining one's place in society and creating one's personal identity against the back-drop of how others have lived throughout history.

And education is not, if it ever were, a one-shot deal. There are all kinds of people in our society who need to and want to learn. They range from the very young to the very old. Instead of limiting educational opportunities for our citizens, we should be expanding them, beginning in childhood and carrying on throughout life.

Tragically, we see an attempt to retreat on our commitment to education. It is a retreat marked by a rather unusual argument. Under the skewed logic we hear, slashing education funding is for the good of our children. Somehow, in some miraculous way, we are told, cutting back on education will provide more and better opportunities than we now enjoy.

It does not help our society to deny Head Start funding to 180,000 children; to deny more than one million children in our poorest communities the help they need to achieve both basic and advanced skills; to eliminate Goals 2000 and in so doing deny more than 8 million school children the opportunity to achieve high academic standards;

to deny 380,000 deserving students grants they need to help pay for college; to cut off direct lending opportunities for 2.5 million students next year alone; to deny 155,000 workers who have lost jobs the help they need in becoming skilled for new jobs.

I learned earlier today that about 64 percent of the students at UNH receive some form of financial assistance. We should not make it harder for you to get an education; we should make it easier for you to fulfill your potential as human beings and as citizens.

Let's extend a helping hand, not hold up a stop sign, to the children of working families who want to better themselves and build a better future for our country.

I also find it particularly ironic that those who say they are worried about the loss of civility and character in our society are on a crusade to cut back federal support for education and obliterate the national service program known as AmeriCorps. The program has been a success across the country, including here in New Hampshire, and I would like to thank the students who participate for their commitment to working on behalf of the less fortunate in their communities.

National service is an idea that the President turned into a program. It is built on very old-fashioned values of hard work, discipline, sacrifice and service to others.

It is about rewarding people for being good citizens. But now we are telling these young men and women, who are so eager to help others, that their mission of service and caring about the larger community isn't valued much in our society.

I think it's time we stand up and say that education and service do matter. Investing in our young people and in their futures matters. My husband has shown that we can get our economic house in order without sweeping compassion and common sense out the door. Of course we need to balance the budget -- but let's balance the budget in a way that puts people first and doesn't leave children behind.

In the months ahead, as the debate over our nation's priorities reaches higher and higher pitch, I hope you will consider whether the decisions we are making as a national family are the decisions we would make within our own families.

Would we ever deny our own son or daughter the chance to learn in a nurturing pre-school environment? Would we ever want to make it harder for our own child to get or pay back a college loan? Would we ever try to limit the kind of job training available to a spouse or sibling who has been put out of work through no fault of their own?

Of course we wouldn't.

But too often, when it is time to make political decisions, those good family instincts retreat. We are willing to sacrifice the very values and opportunities we claim to embrace.

Your education is one of the soundest investments your families can make. It is also one of the soundest investments our nation can make. Let's not reverse course when we have so much opportunity to move forward.

Thank you very much.

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To Agenda for following

February 2, 1997

DISCUSSION WITH FINCA BORROWING GROUP

DATE:	February 3, 1997
TIME:	1:00 pm
LOCATION:	Latino Economic Development Corporation
FROM:	Katy Button

I. PURPOSE

To hold a discussion with the members of a FINCA self-employment association in Washington, DC.

II. BACKGROUND

FINCA USA

FINCA (the Foundation for International Community Assistance) USA, Inc., is a private non-profit organization established to promote the economic and human development of low and moderate income families in underserved communities. A relatively new affiliate of FINCA International, FINCA USA promotes economic opportunity by providing micro loans, technical assistance and a savings plan to low income and other entrepreneurs in greater Washington, DC and Minnesota who do not have access to traditional sources of business financing. Loans range from \$100 to \$6,000. Loans start small and gradually over 5 loan cycles. To access FINCA services, entrepreneurs from peer support networks called "self-employment associations." Members of the group make all loan decisions and are jointly responsible for the repayment of each loan in their group.

In partnership with local community organizations like the Latino Economic Development Corporation, in the past two years FINCA has started 13 self-employment associations in the Washington area and 8 associations in rural Minnesota. The 106 members, 84% of whom are women, have started catering, home-based day care, painting and desk-top publishing businesses. You will meet with members of two local borrowing groups, *Visions of Success* and *Business Pathways*. *Visions of Success* was founded in the summer of 1996 and has just completed repaying - on time - its first loan cycle. *Business Pathways* has just received its first loan. Donna Fabiani, the Director of FINCA's U.S. programs, will also participate in the discussion.

FINCA USA recently received a grant of \$450,000 from the Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund. They are also supported by several U.S. foundations, local enterprise initiative funds and commercial banks.

The Latino Economic Development Corporation

The Latino Economic Development Corporation (LEDC), where the discussion will take place, was founded in the wake of the 1991 Mt. Pleasant riot by leaders in the Latino community and the D.C. Latino Civil Rights Task Force as a means to address the economic development needs of the Mt. Pleasant/Adams Morgan neighborhood and of Latinos citywide. As a 501(c)(3) community development organization, LEDC works to promote sustainable communities through business, housing and human resource development.

LEDC works with FINCA to recruit, facilitate and provide technical support for self-employment associations like *Visions of Success* and *Business Pathways*. By the end of February, LEDC will launch a neighborhood business loan fund, which will complement the FINCA program as an intermediate source of credit (up to \$25,000 per loan) for small businesses. LEDC also facilitates credit relationships with conventional and SBA lenders for its business clients with needs over \$25,000. These credit facilities, along with business counseling services, enable LEDC to provide a “continuum of credit and support” to assist business start-ups and the growth of established businesses.

LEDC is supported by the DC Department of Housing and Community Development, the Community Development Support Collaborative, NationsBank, Signet Bank, the Citibank Foundation and other local donors.

III. PARTICIPANTS

- HRC
- Donna Fabiani, Director of US Programs, FINCA USA
- Marlene Léon-Lattimore, member of *Visions of Success* borrowing group
- Vivian Smith, member of *Visions of Success* borrowing group
- Pam Smith, member of *Visions of Success* borrowing group (and daughter of Vivian Smith)
- Marina Mendoza, member of *Visions of Success* borrowing group
- Manuel Carela, member of *Visions of Success* borrowing group
- Keran Dyer, member of *Visions of Success* borrowing group
- Silvia Murillo, member of *Business Pathways* borrowing group
- Alberto Hoyos, member of *Business Pathways* borrowing group

ENTREPRENEURS

February 3, 1997

Marlene León-Lattimore is a single mother of two boys. After losing her full-time job, she decided to start her own business. She connected with the Latino Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) and found out about FINCA USA. She joined six other entrepreneurs to form *Visions of Success* and became the president of the self-employment association. The group approved Marlene's application for a \$500 loan to purchase computer equipment for her desktop publishing business. Marlene is unique because as well as being a FINCA borrower, she is a trained FINCA facilitator, forming and monitoring new self-employment associations in the northern Virginia area. She currently facilitates two start-up associations.

Vivian Smith's crafts business grew out of her desire to do something positive for the children in her Columbia Heights neighborhood. With several other residents, she started a club for children and taught them arts and crafts. In her class, she designed the handmade crafts which eventually led to the creation of her business, "A 'Little' Something Different." She joined a FINCA self-employment association when friends and a business counselor at the Latino Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) encouraged her to formalize her crafts into a business. Vivian joined *Visions of Success* and borrowed \$100 to buy materials to make her personalized, miniature chairs and pillows. She says that the FINCA program and support of LEDC have helped her professionalize her business. She has an occasional employee and plans to continue to grow her business.

Pam Smith's love of children led her to open Smith's Small Frys, a home-based child care business. After hearing about the FINCA program through her mother, **Vivian Smith**, Pam decided to join the *Visions of Success* self-employment association. Although her daycare had been open for about a year, Pam borrowed \$50 from FINCA for business cards to advertise her business. Since then her business has grown to five children. Pam says she has benefited from the support and assistance she receives from the group. She has learned to better manage her business by understanding budgeting and cash flow. Recently her business began to earn a profit, allowing her to open her first personal savings account. Eventually Pam wants to move her business out of her apartment into a child care center.

Marina Mendoza sells Mary Kay cosmetics. A native of Nicaragua, she came to the United States two years ago to live with her brother and his family in Alexandria. She joined *Visions of Success* because her friend Manuel Carela, whom she met in English class, knew she wanted to start her own business and encouraged her to join the group. Although Marina has a degree in biology and formerly worked for Nicaragua's Department of Health doing malaria education, she has not been able to find work in her profession here in the United States. She has a job cleaning offices at night, and supplements her wages with her Mary Kay income. Marina believes that what she has learned with *Visions of Success* has helped her gain the courage and confidence to launch a satisfying career. Marina used her first \$500 loan to buy inventory. She plans to apply for a second loan of \$1,000 to further expand her business.

Manuel Carela is the owner of M&M Construction, Inc. In his native Dominican Republic, Manuel worked in government as both an appointed and elected official. Since coming to this country eight years ago, Manuel has found employment in cleaning, construction, and sales. Although Manuel has the experience and ability to run his construction company, he has found it impossible to obtain financing from traditional sources. For Manuel, FINCA loans are not only an important source of capital, but also a means of establishing a credit history. Manuel used his first \$500 loan to buy materials and tools for his business. He plans to use his next loan to purchase a computer and more equipment.

Keran Dyer recently started her massage therapy business. To support herself during her business start-up, she is working a full-time job and doing massage part-time. She also continues to study massage therapy. A member of *Visions of Success*, Keran invested her first \$500 FINCA loan in the purchase of massage oils and other supplies. Now that her business is growing, she plans to borrow \$1500 to buy a portable massage chair so that she can do business at her clients' locations, in offices and at conferences. Aside from offering her credit and assistance in marketing, *Visions of Success* has been an important support group that Keran can call on for help. Keran was born in Jamaica and came to the United States in 1986.

Silvia Murillo is a single mother who runs a vintage clothing and used furniture shop with her 12-year old son Marco, her "business partner." Silvia's Vintage is located on 18th Street in Adams Morgan. Silvia has lived in Washington, DC for 25 years after immigrating from Bolivia. Silvia's Vintage is located in a low-rent basement store front. Because it is unheated, Silvia pays reduced rent during the winter months; she opens only on warm weekend days during that season. A member of *Business Pathways* self-employment association, Silvia borrowed \$400 to repair the walls in her shop, which are rough, uneven and cover her merchandise with dust. Once the walls are fixed, she will be able to better protect and display her merchandise, and be able to charge slightly higher prices.

Alberto Hoyos is the owner of Latino Computer Systems, a new computer repair business to be located in the Casa del Pueblo Methodist Church in the Mount Pleasant neighborhood. Like many other immigrants, Alberto found it impossible to work in his profession, chemical engineering, when he came to the United States. Until he took a computer repair training class in this country, his work opportunities were limited to unskilled labor, such as cleaning and doing odd jobs. Although he found employment as a computer repair technician, he has never been able to save more than a few hundred dollars each year. Alberto believes his own situation reflects that of many Latino immigrants. "We come here to follow the American dream, and many times we end up worse off economically than we were in our own countries. Language is a barrier, and self-employment is one of the few ways out of a future of low-paying jobs." Alberto is a member of *Business Pathways*.

VISIONS OF SUCCESS self-employment association started in the summer of 1996. Members received their first FINCA loans in August and made their final loan payments -- on time -- in January. They are now preparing to apply for second loans of up to \$1,500 per business.

BUSINESS PATHWAYS self-employment association started in the fall of 1996. Members received their first loans at a January 27 loan ceremony.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 13, 1997

HHS Delivery of the Adoption 2002 Report

DATE: February 14, 1997
TIME 12:30 p.m.-1:10 p.m.
LOCATION: The Oval Office
FROM: Bruce Reed

I. Purpose

On December 14, 1996, you directed the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide within 60 days specific recommendations for strategies to move children more quickly from foster care to permanent homes and to meet the goal of at least doubling adoptions and other permanent placements over the next five years.

At this event, HHS will deliver to you the report, *Adoption 2002*. The report responds to your Executive Memorandum and takes its name from one of its central goals --to double by the year 2002 the number of children adopted or placed in other permanent homes each year.

At the event will be children waiting to be adopted, adopted children and their families, and representatives from HHS. The children will present you with valentines and you and the First Lady will give the children valentines.

II. Background

The Department developed *Adoption 2002* as a blueprint for bipartisan Federal leadership in adoption and other permanency planning for children in the public child welfare system. To prepare this report, the Department of Health and Human Services consulted with child welfare professionals, policy experts, advocates, and foster and adoptive parents at the national, state and local levels.

Adoption 2002 outlines an agenda to help overcome barriers to adoption and to accelerate the path to permanency for all waiting children in the public child welfare system. The report presents strategies to establish, track and meet state-by-state annual, numerical targets for adoptions and other permanent placements -- targets that will bring us to a national doubling of adoptions and permanent placements in the year 2002. To help states reach their targets, the report commits to providing expanded technical assistance, rewarding states for incremental increases in adoption levels with per-child financial bonuses, and otherwise recognizing successful performance. The bonus not only

provides an incentive for increasing the number of adoptions, but also pays for itself with the cost of the bonuses offset by savings in foster care costs. *Adoption 2002* also includes a proposal to establish competitive grants available to states for dismantling barriers to permanency.

In addition to providing incentives to states to meet new targets, *Adoption 2002* outlines ways in which the Federal government can assume leadership in breaking down barriers to permanency for children in foster care. The Department will issue strong guidance on the implementation of law signed by President Clinton that makes it illegal to deny or delay the placement of a child based on race or ethnicity, and it will outline the penalties for non-compliance.

Perhaps most important, while working with Congress on its legislative proposals that seek to define the "reasonable efforts" provision, the Department will issue guidance that clarifies its meaning. This clarification will make it clear that in determining when to remove a child from his or her family and when to reunify the family, federal law requires that the child's health and safety shall be the paramount concern.

The Department also will issue model guidelines for state legislation to ensure that the child's health and safety is the paramount concern in decisions to terminate parental rights. Furthermore, the *Adoption 2002* urges that the Administration seek legislation that shortens the time before a child's first disposition hearing --the hearing in which a permanency decision is first made --from 18 months to 12 months and changes its name to a "permanency planning hearing."

III. Participants

Children Waiting to be Adopted

Frank Heath

Frank, 15, has had several placements with relatives and in foster care. He is very athletically inclined. Frank enjoys sports and reading.

Edward Tauber

Edward, 6, is a very challenging child who has been diagnosed with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), is emotionally needy, and has significant behavior problems. Edward is currently in a therapeutic foster home which specializes in meeting the needs of "special needs" children.

LaToya Miles

William Smith

Joseph Pickney

LaToya, 8, William, 7, Joseph, 5, are three young children who are awaiting an adoptive home. They are outgoing, active children who enjoy a variety of activities. They need a home which will provide them with a lot of support, structure and nurturing.

Children Who Have Been Adopted and Their Families

James R. Collins, II

Charade Collins

Deanna Collins, 15

Deanna was in foster care since the age of 3 when she was removed due to abuse and neglect. She had had a variety of foster care placements during the ten years she spent in the foster care system.

In November 1995, Deanna left her group foster home at The Villages in Topeka, KS, to travel to Washington to read a poem and give a speech about her foster care experiences at a National Adoption Month event at the White House. She had many articles written on her trip and subsequent publicity in Parade Magazine.

Shortly after returning to Kansas, Deanna was adopted by the Collins family, who had read about her in publicity about the event. Mrs. Clinton was so moved by Deanna's speech and the poem she read, she included Deanna's story in her book, It Takes a Village.

Debra Krauss

Dennis Krauss

Danielle Krauss, 14

Mr. and Mrs. Krauss adopted 14 year old Danielle on July 24, 1996. Danielle was is foster placement with the Krauss's two years before permanent custody. She was not sure she wanted to be adopted. However, six months ago she became finally became permanently adopted. This will be her first Valentine's Day with the Krauss's.

Jannice Butler

Tiara Butler, 3

Jannice, a single parent, adopted Tiara, 3. Tiara's adoption was final in December, 1995. Jannice has had Tiara since she was 3 months old. Tiara was in foster care in DC after being abandoned in the hospital.

Edna Moore

Michael Moore

Marcus Moore, 5

Marcel Moore, 5

Calvin Moore, 8

Ehony Moore, 10

Mr. and Mrs. Moore became the foster parents of twins, Marcus and Marcel. When the Moores

discovered there were 2 other siblings, Calvin and Ebony, in foster care. they fostered them also. The Moore's adopted all of the children in late 1994. The Moores are also fostering a 16 year old Hispanic girl.

IV. Press Plan

Open press

V. Sequence of Events

- 12:15 p.m.-12:30 p.m., pre-event briefing, Oval Dining Room
- 12:30 p.m., enter Oval Office for event
- First Lady speaks, points out valentines on wall from Iowa children waiting to be adopted (**see attachment regarding the Iowa Citizen Foster Care Review Board Valentine Adoptive Child Watch Project**)
- Olivia Golden from HHS presents the report to President
- President makes remarks
- First Lady returns to lectern, introduces Deanna Collins (an adopted child) and the Collins Family
- Deanna speaks and presents a valentine to POTUS and FLOTUS
- President and First Lady present children their valentines
- Event concludes

VI. Remarks

Speech writing will give you prepared remarks.

**Iowa Citizen's Foster Care Review Board
Valentine Adoptive Watch Project**

DeAnn Jones, Division Administrator
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The Iowa Citizen's Foster Care Review Board is a state agency created in 1984 to monitor the effectiveness of the Iowa foster care system to move children to permanent homes.

The Valentine Adoptive Watch Project is a citizen project created in response to interviews with foster children waiting for adoption. All 1000 waiting Iowa foster children with terminated parental rights are represented by a construction paper heart every Valentine's Day. (In Iowa, there are 5,000 children total in foster care and of those, 1,000 are free for adoption.) The child's story is printed on his or her heart. Those hearts are strung on ribbon are being presented to the President and the First Lady.

Each year when the valentines are made, the children who have been adopted, children who are waiting to be adopted, and citizens volunteering their time, gather at the state capitol to help make the valentines. In getting ready for the event this year, the children decided they wanted the President and the First Lady to know about them. So the children made a special set of valentines to send to the White House so that the President and Mrs. Clinton can see and touch their hearts and know their story of waiting.

Attached is a story of one special boy who has sent the President and Mrs. Clinton a valentine. This 11 year old boy, Raleigh Boesel, has been waiting for an adoptive home for eight years. His story is similar to many of the children involved in this program.

February 13, 1997

CLEVELAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL VISIT

DATE:	February 14, 1997
TIME:	10:00 am
LOCATION:	Cleveland Elementary School
FROM:	Pauline Abernathy Katy Button

I - PURPOSE

To visit the Cleveland Elementary School, highlight its partnership with the Holland & Knight Law firm, challenge other DC law firms to engage in similar partnerships, and to celebrate Black History Month.

II - BACKGROUND

Cleveland Elementary School

The Cleveland Elementary School, located in the Shaw neighborhood, serves 315 children in grades pre-K to 3rd. Every student is eligible for free or reduced price lunches and 89% of the students receive AFDC. The school, however, enjoys a high level of community participation and is recognized within the District for its early childhood development program. Cleveland operates a Head Start program, before- and after-care services, "lap reading," a studio school for arts instruction by visiting artists, special education for children with special needs, bilingual education for non-English speaking students, and the "Daisy Program," which helps children who have been affected by the drug and alcohol abuse of others.

The Cleveland School's early childhood development program was initiated in 1992 in response to "Right from the Start," the report of the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Task Force on Early Childhood Education, on which you served. Cleveland's program is modeled after the recommendations in the report, including parent-teacher conferences, a parent resource room and cultural diversity instruction. The school employs an early learning coordinator, Dr. Sandra Braxton, who works with teachers and provides instructional and programmatic support.

Holland & Knight Law Firm

The Law Offices of Holland & Knight -- a firm based in Florida and consisting of 12 offices in Florida, Atlanta and Washington, DC -- initiated a partnership with the Cleveland Elementary School in 1995 to extend its involvement in the Shaw

neighborhood. Holland & Knight, who invited you to visit the Cleveland Elementary School, already provided ongoing pro bono legal assistance throughout the Shaw Urban Renewal Area in order to help residents rebuild their community. The firm primarily worked with the MANNA Community Building Initiative by lobbying city officials and the police on behalf of the neighborhood and the PTA. Shaw residents agreed to match every hour billed by a Holland & Knight lawyer for the community with one hour of their volunteer work through the "Time Dollar Network," a nationally recognized service-exchange program. As Members of the Network, residents volunteer to tutor, clean up neighborhoods, babysit or garden. Their commitment comes back to them in the form of pro bono representation by Holland & Knight.

Once a week, several lawyers and staff from Holland & Knight go to Cleveland's "after-care" program and provide assistance in the form of tutoring, playing games and organizing activities and field trips for the children. Holland & Knight has also donated books, computers, games, and supplies. Lawyers and staff will participate extensively in the annual "Christmas in April" program (in which DC residents volunteer time to improve public and private properties) and attempt to remedy some of the school's physical needs: plumbing, electrical, plastering, painting, locks replacement, etc. Each year, Holland & Knight has recognized the school's "Students of the Month" by taking them on a field trip to the Botanical Gardens. The firm also organized a trip to the Stand for Children rally for students and parents.

During the past 15 months, Holland & Knight firm members have dedicated approximately 650 hours, valued at \$115,000, to its work with the Cleveland Elementary School. During the same period, they contributed approximately 920 hours of pro bono legal work to provide legislative, corporate, tax, real estate and litigation counsel to non-profit groups in the Shaw neighborhood. The partnership has benefitted both the school and the lawyers and staff of Holland & Knight. School officials say that the firm's volunteers are "as much a part of the school faculty as we are." Holland & Knight, which has a long tradition of community involvement, insists that they have gotten more out of the partnership than those they are helping. The firm has a Community Services Team, which consists of two lawyers and a paralegal.

In addition, Holland & Knight works with *Reading Is Fundamental* (RIF), the national non-profit organization aimed at motivating children "to read often and well." RIF assists local groups, like Holland & Knight, in selecting and purchasing appropriate books for children (local groups pay 25 percent book costs). Last year, RIF provided over 11 million books to nearly 3.8 million children nationwide, and 136,000 books to 4,500 children in Washington, D.C. Lynda Johnson Robb, the Chairman of the Board of RIF, and Ruth Grave, RIF's President, will both be at the event. Funding for RIF is provided through a variety of sources, from individuals, corporations, foundations, and the U.S. Department of Education. Federal funding for RIF totaled nearly \$10.3 million last year, and the Administration has requested \$12 million this year.

III - PARTICIPANTS

Discussion Participants:

HRC

General Becton, CEO, DC Public Schools

Iris Toyer - Director of the Public Education Legal Services Project at the Washington Lawyers Committee (WLC) and member of the ABA's Public Schools Committee

Norman Wood - Chair of local school reform team, community activist

Nancy Griffin - Parent and PTA President, volunteer at after-care program

Ted Small - Holland & Knight lawyer, Chair of the ABA's Public Schools Committee

NOTE: Ted Small will serve as the discussion's moderator

Dr. Sandra Braxton - Cleveland Elementary School's Early Learning Coordinator

Book Reading Participants:

HRC

General Becton

Melinda Burrows - Holland & Knight Lawyer

Miss Casey - Educational aide at after-care program

50 children from Cleveland's 2nd grade

Audience:

- Mayor Barry
- Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton
- Frank Smith, DC City Council Representative from Ward 1
- Hilda Mason, DC City Council Representative
- Kevin Chavous, Chair of the DC Council Education Committee
- Wilma Harvey, DC School Board representative
- Lynda Robb, RIF, Chairman of the Board
- Ruth Grave, RIF, President
- Jim Dickerson, Founder of MANNA
- Steve Powell, Holland & Knight
- Approximately 50 representatives from local community organizations, Holland & Knight, the DC Bar Association, the American Bar Association, Washington Lawyers Committee, RIF, Covington & Burling, Steptoe & Johnson and the DC Corporation Council.

III - SEQUENCE

- HRC arrives Cleveland Elementary School
 - Greeter: Annie Mair, Principal, Cleveland Elementary School
- HRC proceeds to the All Purpose Room
- HRC is briefed outside All Purpose Room
- HRC proceeds to podium (behind discussion table)
- Annie Mair, Principal, makes welcoming remarks and intros HRC
- HRC makes remarks from podium
- After podium is moved, HRC is seated at table with 6 other discussion participants
- Ted Small, a Holland & Knight lawyer, moderates discussion
- After discussion, HRC proceeds to chair in front of table for book reading as children are brought into the room
- HRC follows in book with children as Melinda Burrows, a Holland & Knight lawyer, reads "The Story of Bessie Coleman"
- After reading, White House Valentine's Day cookies are distributed to children
- HRC departs

IV - PRESS

Open Press

V - REMARKS

Provided by June Shih

DISCUSSION PARTICIPANTS

Iris Toyer, Washington Lawyers Committee (WLC) -- Project Director of the Public Education Legal Services Project at WLC. She is also a member of the national ABA's Public Schools Committee. Former DC public school student, parent of children who attended DC public schools, former PTA President and former school board member. Member of the national ABA's Public Schools Committee.

Ted Small, Holland & Knight -- the full-time pro-bono associate on Holland & Knight's community services team. He is the lawyer in the DC office specifically assigned to the Shaw neighborhood project and serves as a tutor at the Cleveland Elementary School. He also chairs the national ABA Public Schools Committee of the ABA Section on Individual Rights and Responsibilities.

General Becton, CEO of DC Public Schools -- Appointed by the DC Control Board in 1996. Formerly served as Director of Office of US Foreign Disaster Assistance and President Reagan's Director of FEMA. Also served 40 years in the U.S. Army.

Norman Wood -- Chair of the local school reform team and former Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner. Former PTA President. Graduate of Cleveland Elementary School. Parent and grandparent of Cleveland School students. Informally serves as the school's "guardian angel." (See attached article)

Nancy Griffin, PTA President -- Parent of Cleveland students, volunteer at the after-care program.

Dr. Sandra Braxton, Cleveland Elementary School's Early Learning Coordinator -- Started at Cleveland as a Pre-K teacher 27 years ago and helped develop the Early Learning Program.

III. Community Building Initiative

Manna, Inc.

The Community Building Initiative of MANNA, Incorporated ("MANNA") requested that Holland & Knight provide ongoing pro bono legal assistance for MANNA's community development efforts in the Shaw Urban Renewal Area in Washington, D.C. This representation is an important opportunity for the firm to become involved in the Washington D.C. community by helping MANNA to make home ownership by low income residents a cornerstone of the redevelopment of the Shaw area. Through its representation of MANNA, our Washington office has in essence "adopted a neighborhood" and made its pro bono services one part of a coordinated and integrated series of solutions to complex social problems in that neighborhood. Moreover, Shaw residents are an integral part of these integrated solutions because, through their participation in the highly acclaimed Time Dollar Network, they do one hour of volunteer work in Shaw for each billable hour worked by lawyers at Holland & Knight.

Involvement in the Shaw Urban Renewal Area has provided the firm with a unique opportunity to become a partner in the rebuilding of a neighborhood whose historic rise, fall, and attempted renaissance may have a profound impact on current policy debates. Shaw is located in the north central section of Washington, D.C. and consists of 105 city square blocks which include other communities such as Logan Circle, Bate Street, and U Street. Although the designation of Shaw as an urban renewal area did not occur until May, 1966, the constituent parts of Shaw share a long history as the home of some of the strongest and most influential black businesses, churches and institutions in Washington's African-American community. Examples of the premier black institutions established in the Shaw area include Howard University founded in 1867, black businesses such as the O Street Market established in 1886, the Capital Savings Bank of Washington founded in 1888 and the Whitelaw Hotel built in 1919, famous meeting and recreation facilities such as True Reformers Hall, the Phyllis Wheatley YWCA and the Anthony Bowen Twelfth Street YMCA, and popular theaters such as The Howard, Dunbar and Lincoln Theaters.

Shaw initially developed as a racially and economically diverse area during the Civil War era. However, Shaw became increasingly segregated at the turn of the century as new residential areas to the west and northwest replaced it as a preferred neighborhood for middle class whites. At the same time, Jim Crow segregation enforced by restrictive conveyances made Shaw one of the only residential neighborhoods available to black Washingtonians. Shaw's black businesses and institutions initially flourished because of the increasing number of black residents moving to Shaw. However, Shaw soon began experiencing economic depression which began with the severe overcrowding that resulted

from residential segregation in the 1920s and '30s and persisted because of the economic slowdown related to the Great Depression in the 1930s, the exodus of middle class black residents to newly desegregated neighborhoods in the 1950s and '60s, and the 1968 riots following the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

With other corporate and government sponsors, MANNA has begun the important work of rebuilding the Shaw area into a safe and prosperous neighborhood. MANNA is a thirteen-year-old nonprofit organization that designs, builds and sells houses to low income families across the District, but with a focus on Shaw. Founded in 1982 by Reverend Jim Dickerson, MANNA has received widespread publicity for having developed over 400 units of attractive cooperative, condominiums and single-family homes through construction at abandoned and dilapidated properties. After providing practical training to potential homeowners in its Home Buyers Clubs, MANNA has been able to make over 400 housing units available to households usually earning between \$12-28,000 at average prices between \$55-80,000. The median sales prices of D.C. housing generally is about \$160,000. MANNA's outstanding achievements in affordable housing are made possible through the commitments of a diverse staff of 48 individuals--African-American, white and Hispanic, male and female, young and old--who all share a commitment to helping families recapture the American Dream and renew their neighborhoods. MANNA also depends on the contributions of thousands of neighborhood volunteers who participate in old-fashioned "houseraisings."

Holland & Knight has provided legal assistance to MANNA's Community Building Initiative program, which name aptly describes a series of ongoing and future neighborhood improvement projects. MANNA has committed a full-time staff director, part-time administrative assistant and a part-time Americorps volunteer to this program. With MANNA's assistance, Shaw residents organized several neighborhood clean-ups and established two new associations including: (1) the Shaw Neighborhood Improvement Council ("SNIC") to serve as an umbrella organization for all neighborhood initiatives; and (2) the "I Have A Dream Neighborhood Association" to coordinate community efforts including the elimination of drug dealing in certain dilapidated rental properties. Also with MANNA's organizing assistance, residents of Shaw have produced a neighborhood vision statement which identifies education, increasing jobs and entrepreneurship, youth, drugs and crime and affordable housing as their top five priorities. Shaw residents have identified the clean-up and renovation of the Kennedy Playground, a once prominent recreational attraction for the entire city, as one discrete project for moving the neighborhood towards realizing its vision.

Holland and Knight's assistance to MANNA's Community Building Initiative focuses on legal needs that arise from a number of discrete community projects. Our work on the Kennedy Playground restoration project has included lobbying city officials to disburse previously appropriated funding and with negotiating

fundraising agreements. For the I Have A Dream Neighborhood Association project, the firm has developed legal strategies that will lead to the eviction of identified drug dealing tenants. These efforts have included lobbying for greater responsiveness to complaints by Shaw residents at the police department, the city council and the U.S. Attorney's Office. The firm has also provided general legal assistance to the Shaw neighborhood, including 501(c)(3) tax advice for the newly formed associations and sponsorship of training sessions on effective lobbying at the local and national level. The Washington office has "adopted" the Cleveland Elementary School, a public school in the Shaw neighborhood. Our legal and non-legal staff alike work directly with children in the Shaw neighborhood to improve their lives.

Shaw residents agreed to match every hour billed by a Holland & Knight lawyer with one hour of their volunteer work through the "Time Dollar Network." The Time Dollar Network is an nationally acclaimed service-exchange program developed twelve years ago by Edgar Cahn, a professor of law at the District of Columbia School of Law. Shaw residents, as members of the Network, volunteer to do such services as neighborhood clean-ups, babysitting or gardening for neighbors in need, tutoring school kids or testifying before the city council on behalf of the Shaw projects. Each hour that residents devote to serving others and improving the Shaw community earns them one credit which is recorded in a computerized database, similar to a savings account, that is maintained at the offices of Time Dollar Network. The commitment of Shaw residents to match each hour of our legal service with one hour of their volunteer work in Shaw ensures the residents themselves will always be working with us, albeit through non-legal service, to make a difference in their neighborhood.

This representation has given the firm a very manageable way to establish a more direct link between our pro bono commitments and the community-building commitments of low income residents who live in a neighborhood with enormous historic significance. The firm has participated with MANNA in helping Shaw residents help themselves. Our ultimate goal is to be a key player in bringing about Shaw's future prominence as a Washington neighborhood. Ted Small (Washington) has played a leadership role in the Manna project which includes George Dalley, Steve Powell, Harold Bucholtz, Stephanie Childs, Chad Tiedemann, Ross Dembling, Hank Brothers, La Fonte Nesbitt, Jerry Levine, Chris Myers, Steve Gordon, Laura Eilers, Jennifer Crowe, Judy Sinkin, Marc Miller, Brad Wine, Robin Pollack, Steve Niles and Marty Duvall.

February 17, 1997

WOMEN'S MICROCREDIT EVENT

DATE: Tuesday, February 18
TIME: 11:45 am - 1:00 pm
LOCATION: Women's Self-Employment Project
Chicago, Illinois
FROM: Brenda Costello

I. PURPOSE

To highlight successful Microenterprises and women who have made the transition from Welfare to work, while highlighting the Administration's efforts to move Welfare recipients into the workforce.

II. BACKGROUND

On Tuesday, you will visit the Women's Self-Employment Project, a nonprofit organization developed by Connie Evans to assist low-income women in the Chicago area move toward economic self-sufficiency. Women's Self-Employment Project (WSEP) is the creation of several business women discussing ways to develop employment opportunities for women, based on a variety of micro credit and job training programs.

As you know, the Women's Self-Employment Project was recently awarded a *Presidential Award for Excellence in Microenterprise Development* in the Poverty Alleviation Category. (See description attached)

WSEP has made more than 575 micro-loans critical to low-income women and welfare recipients attempting to become economically self-sufficient. The project has a 93 percent repayment rate. Since its beginning in 1986, WSEP has loaned more than \$1.2 million in loans ranging from \$200 to \$25,000, with the average loan of \$2,000.

Format

Upon arrival to the Women's Self-Employment Project, you will be guided by Connie Evans to tour eight booths of microcredit projects started by WSEP clients and talk with the women business owners. Most of the women have received public assistance in the past or are currently receiving aid and expect to move off of public assistance altogether soon. Projects will be arranged in a bazaar-like set up. Descriptions of each business owner and their project attached.

Following the tour of businesses, you will participate in a discussion with Connie Evans and four of the business owners you have just visited. As you will recall, you mentioned both Connie Evans and Arinez Gilyard in your recent column about microcredit.

Presidential Awards for Excellence in Microenterprise Development

Excellence in Program Delivery: Poverty Alleviation

Women's Self-Employment Project

Location: Chicago, Illinois
Program Type: A comprehensive range of services that assist low-income women to move toward economic self-sufficiency through self-employment.
Service Area: Metropolitan Chicago
Target Group: Low- and moderate-income women, AFDC recipients
Contact: Connie Evans, President
(312) 606-8255

The Women's Self-Employment Project (WSEP) is a private nonprofit created in 1986 to provide assistance to low-income women interested in self-employment as a route to economic self-sufficiency. WSEP offers a range of services to its clients, including entrepreneurship training, marketing assistance, individual and peer group loans, and savings and networking programs. WSEP has served over 3,000 women over the past ten years. Approximately 60% of its clients have annual household incomes of less than \$15,000. Survey data indicates that WSEP has a business survival rate of 79%.

WSEP is awarded a Presidential Award for Excellence in Microenterprise Development in the Excellence in Program Delivery: Poverty Alleviation category for its continuing excellence in assisting low-income women to pursue self-employment. WSEP has led the microenterprise industry in creating high-quality training programs for low-income women and AFDC recipients, in adapting the peer lending model in the U.S., and in establishing programs that help low-income women to build assets that can stabilize their businesses and families. WSEP has also been a pioneer in working with state and local governments to include self-employment as a work and self-sufficiency option for AFDC recipients.

WSEP has recently completed a special demonstration project focused solely on AFDC recipients. Of the 162 women who entered its training program, 94 started businesses and 39 found wage employment. To date, 30 women have decreased their reliance on welfare, and many others continue to develop their business plans and increase their incomes.

**Arinez Gilyard
Child Care Crew
(773) 924-8824**

Arinez Gilyard had to quit her full time job and go on total bed-rest after she became pregnant with twins in 1991. She had no medical coverage and was forced to go on public assistance. A go-getter at heart, Arinez opened an in-home day care center in 1992, and in 1993, she came to WSEP for business development training and help in expanding her business.

In 1995, Arinez opened her day center from her home to another location. She currently employs two assistants and accepts interns who have completed the WSEP entrepreneurial training program. Working toward establishing a 24-hour child care service, she is busy acquiring additional learning aids and is saving to buy a van.

"WSEP's training opened doors that led to many avenues in the continuing growth of my business. Not only business information but networking skill as well. I really have learned to network. I am the current President of the Generations of Loving Day Care, an association for high risk care givers; and I have been able to persuade the Progress Credit Union here in Chicago to accept all daycare providers as members."

Ms. Gilyard is also a part of a new program developed by WSEP and the Chicago Treasurer's office in partnership with Harris Bank in Chicago. It is called the Individual Development Account (IDA) and encourages low income people to save. Participants deposit \$20 a month for two years into a standard Harris Small Business Savings Account. With a boost from private and public sectors, the accounts are matched up to \$120 per quarter.

"WSEP has enabled me to invest in and work positively toward my goals."

WOMEN'S SELF-EMPLOYMENT PROJECT

CUSTOMER PROFILE

Veronica Omiyale Dupart
Global Bee Trading
(773) 924-8824

Veronica Omiyale Dupart is the owner of Global Bee Trading, which sells African imports, ethnic novelty items and general merchandise. Omiyale also sells delicious butter, oatmeal and peanut butter cookies.

Omiyale has been a business owner for over 20 years, and a member of the Englewood-based Les Papillon circle of the Full Circle Fund (WSEP's group lending program) for over three years. Omiyale is the Chair of the Lindbloom Center and is a role model for women throughout WSEP. Omiyale is an astute and successful business person. Many at WSEP expect her to be the first WSEP millionaire. She is also a source of support and encouragement for the other women in the center. She has a vision and the skills and determination to achieve her goals. Omiyale has successfully repaid five WSEP loans through her strong business management.

More recently, Omiyale has become a sought-after speaker and advocate for microenterprise. After speaking about her microenterprise experiences at a Chicago meeting of RESULTS, she developed a national reputation. Last year, Omiyale was the feature speaker at a microenterprise support conference in Oklahoma. She is also featured in a soon-to-be released book on the Grameen Bank.

As a successful entrepreneur, a mother of eight children, a wife, and a friend to WSEP women throughout Chicago, Omiyale truly is a superwoman.

Diane Deaderick
Lee Williams Cosmetics
(773) 375-9200

Diane owns and operates Lee Williams Cosmetics company. The company markets a cosmetic line for women of color and trains consultants to market and sell the line. She started her business on her kitchen table, moved to a closet, and grew to a commercial space on the south side of Chicago that holds large seminar space, smaller training rooms, and ample storage space for inventory.

Diane Deaderick was a divorced mom of three small children with little money when she started her business. She got the idea of starting the company while reading a bed-time story to her daughter. Diane wanted to find other book that identified beautiful African-American princesses but could not recall ever seeing a book that highlighted beautiful women of color. Her business was created to assist women of color in establishing self-esteem and confidence.

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Pamalita Jones
Madame Pompadour
(773) 721-2558

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Pamalita makes truffles in 27 exotic flavors, including amaretto, chocolate pumpkin, pink champagne, and orange. Her mother was a gourmet cook, and Pam followed in her footsteps. Pam has catered since 1969. She also developed her own chocolate formulas because after researching her business she learned that a chocolate formula could cost up to \$100,000.

Pamalita currently receives public assistance and is looking forward having her assistance discontinued this year. She has experienced many financial hardships and continues to wrestle with running a business and supporting her self.

2 sons - 14 yrs, 19 yrs.

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Glenda Veronica Lewis
Elan' Private Coach Inc.
(773) 660-2000

P6/(b)(6)

Initially Glenda started helping a friend who had a part-time livery service and needed assistance. Gradually, Glenda began to receive requests from friends, family members, and neighbors for safe and convenient livery services. After a while, Glenda was able to identify a market for executive women and her business grew from there. Currently, Glenda provides executive van transportation for women particularly from and to the airport and charter services.

Her long-term goals are to employ at least 10 other female drivers and also to provide executive van service to persons with disabilities.

Clients.

- WSEP
- Quaker Oats
- IBM
- NY Times

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Pamela Francois
The Tender Touch Company
(312) 944-7023

P6/(b)(6)

Pamela creates ethnic inspired accents for the home including pillows, table lines, and kitchen accessories. She has been in her business for only eight months and has seen explosive growth.

Before she went into her own business she was a computer graphic arts designer. She left her full-time position to seek personal fulfillment as an entrepreneur. She and her mother are partners in this business and anticipate employing at least one other person by 1998.

- Full time since 1996

Pamela was a public aid recipient in 1993 because of lack of employment opportunities and a single income to support herself and her son. Her business will gross \$25,000 this year and she anticipates at least a %25 percent increase for next year.

- sells to retail
- would like to start mail order

Entrepreneurial Training Plan → come out w/ Business Plan

~~*mandatory~~

- must come through program, eligible to apply for \$1500 loan
- ongoing training

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Charlene Moy
Charlene Moy
(847) 679-9883

P6/(b)(6)

Charlene's business allows her to create hand-painted home accessories, including a wonderful line of hand-painted toilet seats retailing for approximately \$160.00.

Charlene explains that she was "re-building" her life when she developed her business. She wanted to find a way to earn income using her talents that would also allow her to stay at home with her daughter. Charlene was a single parent recovering from a very bad relationship and decided to make aggressive changes for the sake of her child.

She currently receives public assistance for her daughter, but would prefer to develop her business to the point of self-sufficiency. She expects to completely discontinue receiving public assistance by 1998.

Her long-term goals are to employ one assistant and develop customized lines that she markets around the country. Ideally, does not want the business to interfere with being mom and looks forward to hiring someone who can partner with her in the business while she raises her daughter.

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Valerie Warnsby -

P6/(b)(6)

**By Design Hand Made Invitations
(773) 924-4396**

Valerie developed her invitation business from a hobby she began over 15 years ago. She uses exotic papers to make hand-made or machine products. The paper is imported from all over the world.

Up until a few weeks ago, Valerie's business was her sole source of income. She now uses her business to supplement a part-time position with a scholarship foundation. She expects to run her business full-time by the summer of 1997.

Her long-term goal is to have a retail outlet and to design her own paper.

*Single - Graduated from Drake,
Univ.*

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Leverta Pack
Pack African Heritage
(773) 776-9022

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Ms. Pack was a surgical nurse for 25 years. After retirement she volunteered work for a daycare association, and then decided to go in to the day care business for herself. Her home day care center for high-risk children. Ms. Pack takes care of children with asthma, learning disabilities and other health problems. She organizes field trips to museums, parks, and swimming. *- since 1989, 8 kids during daytime, after school kids, 2 other employees* She also owns and operates a second business, African Heritage. In her second business Ms. Pack produces graduation attire with African motifs, and baby blankets.

Ms. Pack refused to accept public assistance. She worked more than one job during financial hardship. Ms. Pack is well versed on the history of her neighborhood including the residents, industries, etc. Before nursing she was a photo finisher and seamstress. A major set back in establishing her business was gathering resources for her business. WSEP was able to help with money to purchase inventory.

Ms. Pack is divorced with one daughter.

CHRONOLOGY OF THE FIRST LADY'S INVOLVEMENT IN PROMOTING MICROENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

- 1986 Mrs. Clinton and then-Governor Clinton met with Mohammed Yunus, the founder of the Grameen Bank in Bangladesh, in Arkansas to discuss the relevance of the model of the Grameen Bank to rural Arkansas communities.
- 1988 Mrs. Clinton was involved in the creation of, and served on the Board of, the Southern Development Bank Corporation and its non-profit affiliate, the Good Faith Fund -- one of the first rural microenterprise funds in the United States. Modeled after the Grameen Bank in Bangladesh, the Good Faith Fund provides small loans, training and technical assistance to low- and moderate-income entrepreneurs in rural communities in Arkansas. Several U.S. foundations, through program-related investments, have partnered with the Good Faith Fund.
- March, 1995 Mrs. Clinton visited the Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA) in India and the Grameen Bank in Bangladesh to highlight these important microcredit programs enabling poor women to become self-sufficient.
- May 14, 1995 Mrs. Clinton's op-ed in the Washington Post, "Investing in Sisterhood," underscores how microcredit helps women overcome poverty.
- July 26, 1995 Mrs. Clinton visited Mi Casa, a program in Denver, Colorado promoting microenterprise development, that has received support from the Small Business Administration. She also spoke to the Women's Foundation of Colorado Conference on microenterprise as a tool of opportunity.
- August 28, 1995 President Clinton directed the Secretary of the Treasury to develop an awards program to honor excellence in microenterprise development, and to coordinate all microenterprise programs within the U.S. government. This was announced as part of the U.S. commitments to the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women.
- September 5, 1995 Mrs. Clinton spoke in Beijing, China, at the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) panel discussion on "Women's Economic Empowerment." Other panelists included Ela Bhatt of India's SEWA, and Mohammed Yunus of the Grameen Bank.
- October 12, 1995 Mrs. Clinton visited a FINCA bank, "Mothers United," in Nicaragua (which was subsequently re-named "Mothers United *with Hillary*"), and an Accion microenterprise project, "PenaSol," in Santiago, Chile. Both projects serve very poor women and have been successful in providing economic opportunity.

June 26, 1995	Mrs. Clinton was the keynote speaker at the RESULTS Dinner in Washington, DC honoring Dr. Yunus.
November 8, 1995	Mrs. Clinton spoke at the "Beyond Beijing" World Bank Conference, where she highlighted microcredit and economic opportunity. The World Bank has committed itself to microenterprise lending, which is of great importance to women's economic development.
March 19, 1996	Mrs. Clinton spoke about the importance of microenterprise in development to the Council on Foreign Relations in New York.
May 2, 1996	Mrs. Clinton and Secretary Rubin announced the details of the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Microenterprise Development via video to the Association for Enterprise Opportunity Conference in Rhode Island.
September 16, 1996	Mrs. Clinton spoke at the USAID "Lessons Without Borders" Conference in Baltimore, Maryland, where she described how lessons learned through international assistance can be applied to solve problems at home.
December 3, 1996	Mrs. Clinton visited BancoSol in La Paz, Bolivia -- Bolivia's largest commercial bank and the world's only commercial bank dedicated solely to micro lending. (The BancoSol borrowing group that Mrs. Clinton met with re-named itself the "Hillary" group in honor of her.)
January 30, 1997	The President, joined by First Lady and Secretary Rubin, presented the Inaugural Presidential Awards for Excellence in Microenterprise Development at the White House.
February 3, 1997	Mrs. Clinton keynoted at the International Micro Credit Summit in Washington, D.C.
February 3, 1997	Mrs. Clinton visited a Foundation for International Community Assistance (FINCA) borrowing group in Washington, DC.

POSSIBLE RECIPIENTS FOR 1997:

DOMESTIC:

CHILDREN/YOUTH

(HEALTH, EDUCATION, ADOPTION, FOSTER CARE, CHILD CARE)

Children's Mercy Hospital
Kansas, MO

2/19/97

✓ **Pediatric AIDS Foundation**
Washington, DC

3/4/97

Children's Express

5/2/97

✓ **HIPPY, WDC**
(HIPPY USA)

5/14/97

✓ **City Year**
Providence, RI

6/4/97

✓ **Gallery 37**
Chicago, IL

8/97

California Child Care Resource and Referral Network
Patty Siegel

11/24/97

✓ **California Youth Connection**
San Francisco, CA

11/24/97

Children's Health Fund
New York, NY
Erwin Redliner
*earmark to asthma initiative ?

12/12/97

MICRO-CREDIT/DC:

FINCA (Latin Economic Development Corporation)
Washington, DC

2/2/97

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150

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91
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54
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Women's Self Employment Project
Chicago, IL
Connie Evans 312-606-8255

2/18/97

DC:

Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary of WDC
Washington, DC

10/7/97

***The Ellington School**

Jobs for Americas Graduates

11/97

✓ **Washington Interfaith Network - after school program**

RACE INITIATIVE:

Team Harmony
Boston, MA

12/11/97

**FOR CONSIDERATION
RECIPIENTS FROM 1996:**

✓ **Arkansas Children's Hospital**
✓ **Children's National Medical Center**
✓ **CDF**

Zero to Three Learning National Center for Infants
Matthew Melmed

80% @ \$25,000

INTERNATIONAL:

AFRICA

- MLK Girls' School
- TOSTAN Literacy Program
- Victoria Mxenge Housing Initiative
- Cowley House
- ✓ FINCA
- Dorothy Duncan School for the Blind
- Kuwadzana Health Clinic
- Weru Weru Secondary School (Mt. Kilimanjaro)
- Mama Joan & OSOTWA
- ✓ Tanzania/Masai Education Fund
- ✓ AIDS Information Center
- Ugandan Womens' Efforts to Save Orphans (UWESO)
- Embaderho Health Care Clinic
- ✓ BANA Woodworking Center

English in Action / Oiset

CENTRAL ASIA, RUSSIA AND UKRAINE

- ✓ American International Health Alliance (AIHA)
- Almaty Women's Wellness Center
- FINCA
- Tashkent Medical Institute - Women's Wellness Center
- ✓ Aid to Artisans
- The Bonum Center
- L'viv Oblast Hospital

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA

- ✓ Accion
- FUDEP
- Grandmothers of the Plaza de Mayo
- Techno serve

N. IRELAND

Joyce McCarten Lecture Series

INDIA

- ✓ Mother Teresa Local Charity

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