



UNITED STATES
COMMISSION ON
CIVIL RIGHTS

624 Ninth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20425

July 24, 2000

The Honorable William J. Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

I am writing on behalf of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights to request a meeting with you to discuss the agency's current activities and accomplishments and to elicit your views on how we can be more effective in the future.

During my tenure as Chairperson, the Commission has performed significant work on a variety of critical civil rights issues such as police-community relations, equal educational opportunity, access to health care, church burnings, schools and religion, and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Our State Advisory Committees, which are composed of community volunteers, have recently examined Native American issues in South Dakota, African Americans in the Virginia criminal justice system, Hispanic students in the Oklahoma City public schools and law enforcement in Sonoma County, California. I am proud of the Commission's work products and its potential impact on diminishing the attitudes of intolerance and division.

As you know, the Commission is an independent, bipartisan fact-finding Federal agency, established in 1957 to monitor and report on the status of civil rights in the Nation. As the Nation's conscience on matters of civil rights, the Commission strives to keep you, the Congress, and the public informed about civil rights issues that deserve concentrated attention. In doing so, the Commission continually reminds all Americans why vigorous civil rights enforcement is in our national interest. Since our inception, every President except you and President Reagan, has met with the Commissioners to share ideas in the area of civil rights.

We look forward to the opportunity to meet with you in the near future. Please feel free to contact my Special Assistant, Krishna Toolsie, at (202) 376-7417, should you need additional information or have any questions.

Sincerely,
For the Commission

Mary Frances Berry
Chairperson

cc: Maria Echaveste, Deputy Chief of Staff
Ben Johnson, Assistant to the President

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CRUZ M. BUSTAMANTE

Lieutenant Governor
State of California

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July 25, 2000

The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500
VIA FACSIMILE

Dear Mr. President:

I wish to extend an invitation to you for the Latino Showcase event that I am hosting at this year's Democratic National Convention, which will feature Enrique Iglesias, Los Lobos, Jimmy Smits and other celebrities.

This celebration will feature top Latino entertainers and will be held on the evening of Tuesday, August 15, 2000 at the Universal Amphitheater in Los Angeles, California.

This event promises to be one of the most exciting highlights of the convention, with more than 6,000 guests. Those in attendance will include convention delegates, press, VIPs, sponsors, television and movie executives and community leaders from throughout the nation.

I would be very honored if you could attend.

With kindest regards,


CRUZ M. BUSTAMANTE
Lieutenant Governor

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The DELTA Project

What Works! - Community Programs in Action

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President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
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In November 1995 I had the great pleasure of introducing you to the DELTA Project. We briefly discussed the DELTA Project and the deep involvement of two of our National Advisory Board members, Ernie Green and Betsey Wright. Your follow-up to that discussion led to our presentation to the White House Domestic Policy Staff in February 1996.

Today I would like to bring to your attention a pilot project of the DELTA Project, the Mississippi Community Works HELP DESK (MS-CWHD). The HELP DESK has been established in Jackson, Mississippi with a charter to provide customized linkages combined with information and referral services, to communities and community-based organizations throughout the state. The HELP DESK is a model for provision of customized information so local communities can avoid "reinventing the wheel" when designing and implementing programs for change. It initiated service on April 1, 1999; and as of July 2000 has served more than 140 communities and community-based organizations throughout the state. The response from the Mississippi communities with which we are working is so enthusiastically positive that we are now getting requests from neighboring states in the Mississippi delta region to provide similar services. Client comments have been universally positive:

- * "[The HELP DESK concept] is an answer to Mississippi's problems...there has never been a service like this before."
- * "The HELP DESK saved me at least 200 hours of research, and even then I would not have found all the information they gave me."
- * "[The HELP DESK] will continue to be a catalyst for furthering the economic development of the community."

Unfortunately, the future of the HELP DESK is in jeopardy. The HELP DESK pilot is currently funded through a cooperative agreement with the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) at the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. The pilot project was placed in HHS/ASPE because at that time ASPE was responsible for coordinating HHS outreach to the EZ/EC/Champion Communities.

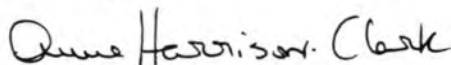
While the HELP DESK was originally slated for two years of funding, shifting priorities within ASPE have meant that the HELP DESK only received support for one year of operations. The funding allocated for one year has been stretched to cover almost two. However, these monies will run out in approximately six weeks. The HELP DESK desperately needs additional short-term funding so it can maintain its services to communities and community-based organizations through the balance of the current fiscal year and until FY 2001 funds become available.

Failure to receive the necessary funding to enable the HELP DESK to continue operations will mean that we will have to shut down the HELP DESK at the end of August 2000. Over 140 vulnerable communities and community-based organizations in Mississippi will no longer receive our services, nor will there be an opportunity to extend this unique and successful service to other states. We felt that you would want to know of this unfortunate development, given that your New Markets Initiative and economic development programs for the Mississippi Delta region focus on the very communities the HELP DESK serves.

We hope that somewhere within your administration the \$150,000 needed to keep the HELP DESK open can be found. I would be pleased to answer questions or work with appropriate members of your team to this end. I can be reached at (301) 913-9540.

This brings best wishes.

Sincerely,



Anne Harrison-Clark
Executive Director/External Affairs

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 7, 2000

The Honorable Mark D. McElroy
Desha County Judge
Post Office Box 188
Arkansas City, Arkansas 71630

Dear Mark:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Delta Project. I was interested in your comments about the Mississippi Community Works Help Desk, and I have shared your correspondence with members of my economic development team.

As I said in my State of the Union address, my Administration will continue working to make our nation's prosperity a reality for the Delta region. I have proposed the formation of a Delta Regional Authority to bring the resources of a federal-state partnership to the fight for economic growth in the area. I believe this effort, coupled with my New Markets Initiative and the economic development programs for the Delta, which I announced last December, will help to bring opportunity and prosperity to the people of the Delta.

As we continue our work to promote economic growth in underserved communities in Arkansas and across America, I appreciate your leadership. Best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Bill Clinton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.



The DELTA Project

What Works! - Community Programs in Action

November 8, 1995

President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton:

What a pleasure to be able to meet you in person and to introduce you to the DELTA Project. The DELTA Project is a new non-profit organization whose mission is to share with requesting communities what is working in social problem-solving in other communities. Ernie Green and Betsey Wright both serve on DELTA's National Advisory Board.

So much is happening at the local level which successfully addresses this country's social needs. What is missing is an infrastructure which promotes and facilitates transfer of information and the provision of technical assistance to allow communities to learn from each other about what is working and what is not working in their respective "backyards."

The DELTA Project has been created to address this need. The DELTA Project seeks to transfer the concepts, programs and experience that have proved successful in solving social problems at the local level from one community to another. Its objective is to put into place the infrastructure and processes needed to assist local communities to draw upon the lessons learned in other communities that have undertaken to address similar circumstances. At a recent presentation on the DELTA Project a member of the audience put it well by saying: "Oh, you specialize in what works!" That is exactly what we do.

Since DELTA's inception, we have developed pilot projects in several areas. Currently, we are building a project in rural Arkansas. It will be the first county-wide cooperative effort the citizens of Desha County have ever undertaken. In addition, we are very excited about our work with East Palo Alto, California, where in one year that small city has reduced its record homicide rate by 85%. We are also pleased with our work with the National Association for the Southern Poor (NASP) where the end result of a new form of grassroots organizing known as the Assembly is the building of a school system which boasts the astonishingly low drop-out rate of 1.7% for K-12 and a community so vibrant that the jail system is no longer needed. *It is these kinds of success stories which we seek, come to understand, and then share with communities which are interested.*

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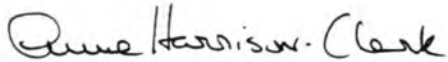
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It is our hope that you will be interested in the DELTA Project and its mission. We would like to discuss DELTA in greater depth with the appropriate member of the White House staff. If you could assist in making such a meeting possible, we would be grateful.

In the meantime, best wishes for success in the months to come.

Sincerely,



Anne Harrison-Clark
Director/External Affairs

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Bernalillo, New Mexico 87004
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July 26, 2000

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The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

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During the past two years we have had the pleasure of working closely with dedicated public officials from the Departments of the Interior, Agriculture and Justice in an effort to resolve our Tribe's long-standing claim to the west face of the Sandia Mountain. The Mountain, which is the wilderness backdrop to both our Reservation and the City of Albuquerque, is extremely sacred to our Tribe and vital to our culture and the practice of our religion. In a word, it is our "cathedral."

Our claim, briefly summarized, is based on a written grant to our Tribe by the King of Spain. This grant was subsequently confirmed by Congress, including its description of our eastern boundary as "the main ridge called Sandia." However, an incompetent government surveyor inexplicably placed the boundary in the foothills, rather than along the crest. As a consequence, and unknown to us at the time, some 10,000 acres of lands were erroneously excluded from our Reservation. These lands, much of which are designated as Wilderness, are now administered by the Forest Service.

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parties entered into mediation. Participants in the mediation process included representatives from the Tribe, the Departments of the Interior, Agriculture and Justice, the Sandia Peak Tram Company, Bernalillo County, the City of Albuquerque and the Sandia Mountain Coalition (a homeowners' group). The County, City and Coalition subsequently withdrew from the mediation, but the Tribe, the federal government and the Tram Company continued to negotiate and ultimately reached a just and comprehensive settlement. Unfortunately, that settlement requires legislation and efforts in this regard have been stymied by Senator Domenici and Congresswoman Wilson. Lynn Cutler of your office, who has been very helpful on this issue, is familiar with the settlement and the political dynamics.

Essentially our opponents are trying to force continuation of the litigation, and we now have little time before scheduled oral argument on September 29th before a very conservative D.C. Court of Appeals panel, which includes Judge Sentelle. The federal government, supported by us, moved to dismiss the appeal, but the appellate panel declined to rule on the motion and instead ordered that the appeal proceed.

Mr. President, continuation of the litigation will not resolve our claim or a host of other issues that are addressed in the proposed settlement. Instead it will only foster continued acrimony and divisiveness among neighbors. In contrast, the settlement, which your Indian policy leadership provided the impetus and constructive framework for, represents a model for resolving a very difficult and complex land issue. It also assures that a beautiful mountain wilderness situated adjacent to an urban area will be protected and preserved for future generations. Consequently, any help that you can provide to persuade Senator Domenici to reconsider his opposition to the settlement (opposition which seems largely attributable to bad advice and his apparent surprise at the announcement of the settlement agreement), or to correct our boundary through executive action, would be enormously appreciated.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Stuart Paisano", with a stylized, flowing script.

Stuart Paisano
Governor

Please call FNS to ask them to approve this ASAP.
LAURENCE F. JOHNSON
ATTORNEY AT LAW *Thanks!*

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Application/Petition I140 Immigrant Petition for Alien Worker	
Applicant/Petitioner CSISZAR, Ivan A	DATE 00 JUL 27 AM 8:22
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