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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 8, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR POLLY CARVER
KRIS VAN GIESEN

FROM: SUSAN STROUD

SUBJECT: HOUSTON COMMUNITY SERVICE SITES

Following are two different community service programs that could be mentioned or visited when the Vice President is in Houston this Thursday March 11 with Senator Krueger. Please contact me at x6444 if you would like to know more about either of the programs or if I could assist in setting up a visit to any of the sites.

RICE UNIVERSITY STUDENT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP)

In 1985 a handful of Rice University students formed RSVP to create a liaison between the university and the Houston community. It now serves as an umbrella organization that serves over 40 service programs or organizations. Rice University has a strong presence in the community service world.

One particular program the Vice President may be interested in is the Rice Recycling and Recovery program which collects everything from aluminum cans to copy paper. Profits from Rice recycling go to the RSVP Community Fellowship, which provides a grant to a Rice undergraduate doing volunteer work in Houston during the summer. RSVP is more than willing to arrange a tour and photo opportunity where the VP and Senator could take part in collecting recyclable goods with campus volunteers.

Off campus programs include: Big Brother/Big Sisters; crisis shelter volunteering; and literacy education for adults and children.

Of political interest, Jimmy Carter is giving the commencement speech this spring at Rice; George Bush held the 1990 economic summit at Rice and James Baker is heavily involved with, I believe, the Board of Governors.

VISTA

In the Houston area, VISTA has 39 volunteers working on 6 different projects. One especially good project is outlined below:

The Teen Health Clinic provides comprehensive primary and reproductive health care to inner city adolescents who reside in Harris County. The clinic is actively involved in providing health care to teenagers to lower the rate of infant mortality in catchment areas. VISTA volunteers 1) develop a tracking system which evaluates patients needs and monitors spending 2) market services and 3) develop a philanthropic funding base.

April 22, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR CHRISTINE VARNEY

From: Rick Allen,
Jina Sanone,
Office of National Service
Subject: Commencement speeches

With college and university commencements just around the corner, we would like to explore the possibility of cabinet secretaries mentioning National Service during their commencement speeches.

It seems to be the perfect setting for furthering the President's message about the importance of National Service. We are aware that Secretary Shalala will be speaking at Tufts because the speech writing department at HHS has directly contacted our office. We were able to provide them with more information about National Service and local community service programs around the Boston area that already exist. We would love to do the same for other agencies.

Any help in effectively circulating this thought to the right places is greatly appreciated.

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MARCH 18, 1993

MEMORANDUM TO ANDY PAVIN

FROM: JINA SANONE

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Here is a rough idea of two activities happening Saturday March 27, 1993. I will have more detailed information tomorrow.

Unfortunately all of the colleges and universities that have good community service programs will be on spring break for this particular weekend.

CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION (CRF)

CRF's Youth Task Force LA, consists of 30 teams made up of high school and community agency youth, to heal and rebuild communities. The goal is to provide training and assistance in planning and implementing projects in their schools and neighborhoods. Projects are focused on the following issues: youth development and urban education; police and community relations; community and economic development; and race relations.

Saturday the 27th of March 35 high school students will join elementary students for a mentoring session in Compton, California. At noon everyone meets at the Compton Center located at 439 W. Compton Blvd., Compton CA 90220. The group will then walk over to Wilson Park located at 123 North Rose Ave., Compton CA 90221 - cross streets are Alameda and Compton Blvd. While at the park, the group will play baseball and other recreational type activities.

It would be a good opportunity for the Secretary to interact with all of the students, to ask and answer questions about how the mentoring experience effects their outlook.

LOS ANGELES CONSERVATION CORPS

The LACC is one of the best corps the country and run by one of the best program directors, Martha Diepenbrock. The corps goals are to 1) expand in order to provide more opportunity for youth; 2) implement a more comprehensive program of education and work-experience training; 3) strengthen and expand youth leadership and 4) increase the presence and effectiveness of the LACC in working with local community interests and organizations.

Saturday the 27th of March they have a tree planting activity with junior high students. It begins at 7:00 am and lasts until 2:00 pm. They will be planting trees along Talmadge Street starting at the intersection of Prospect. This is close to Fountain and Hollywood Blvd in the Hollywood/Los Feliz Area.

To: Billy Webster
Fr: Jina Sanone
Re: Site visit for National Volunteer Week
April 19, 1993

On the following two pages are four site suggestions from San Francisco State University. The college has an excellent reputation for community service and the entire staff of their community involvement center has made a special effort to develop some good options for your visit.

Major Robert Gordon has informed me that the best time to take a break in your schedule is Thursday between 11:30 and 1:30. Three of the suggestions made by SFSU have fallen into that time frame. I gave a copy of the options to Robert before he left for California.

Ray Cortinez from Education looked into other possibilities for you. He spoke with Marcia Hunt who provided me with information about a Spring Valley Elementary School where 16 students from a private high school come to tutor the elementary school students. The contact at the Elementary School is Loni Chin at 415-749-3535.

Please let me know if I can help with anything else. I will let Steve C. [unclear] at SFSU, or Marcia Hunt from the San Francisco School District know about the status of your visit unless you would like to make the arrangements yourself.

cc: Sarah Lizenby