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The tasks were overwhelming, the means small, but CURE continued its efforts towards a just community. The board of directors of CURE made written and oral presentations to governmental agencies about South Bay Terraces and its possible contribution to segregation, need for a school lunch program, support of the attorney general's integration law suit, support and expansion of the Silvergate/Fremont school plan, updating tenant and landlord laws, opposition to termination of CIC and were represented on the county's ad hoc committee to form a human relations agency.

CURE has worked with and supported individuals and groups in the League of Women Voters voter registration campaign, opposition to the Carswell nomination, matching and referral of volunteers, answering nation-wide requests for information, participated in the U. S. Civil Rights Commission area conference in Berkeley, participated in the NCCJ police conference, helped sponsor the PTA/NCCJ "Rearing Children of Goodwill" workshop, initiated an intercultural church camp scholarship fund, was instrumental in formation of a revolving education scholarship fund with Metro, supported the breakfast bar program, supported Call for Action, supported ACRE's Del Mar fair booth, assisted in bringing two housing discrimination cases to successful conclusion through the FEPC, struggled to retain CIC, supported minimum income by co-sponsoring a community Urban League educational program, supported the YWCA's Southeast Center for Alternative and sponsored the "Black Art" exhibit at the central library.

The newsletter carried articles about voter registration, the Friends Committee on legislation program, opposition to Carswell's nomination, requested help for the food distribution center, St. Rita's child development center, child care for Mead Elementary school, Spanish speaking volunteers for University hospital, California Indian assistance, head start, La Jolla Black art exhibit, requested musical instruments for Southeast Community Music School Assn. and Access, announced the availability of films, book reviews and TV programs, published a directory of community and public organizations, supported Omega Fayette Miss. fund and the community relations conference of Southern California, Sunday in the Park, Charles Drew foundation, requested food and furniture contributions for grape strikers, Chicano Coronado bridge park, Metro's summer youth camps, SOFA, tutors for La Jolla Community Education Service, breakfast bar program, WRO's instant breakfast for children, transportation for Child Guidance Clinic and St. Andrews pre-school, transportation to the hospital, YWCA job corps, Call for Action, Rumor Control Clinic, Heartland Human Relations Assn., Lemon Grove Assn., Southeast co-op, South Bay Terraces, school lunch program, school tax over-ride, Silvergate/Fremont school plan, Indian children education problems, low income housing, CIC, county ad hoc committee, minimum income, Yellow submarine, 6th grade camp, Lincoln High School's booster club, educational courses, lectures and workshops.

STATISTICS

First year:

419 members . . . . 132 subscribers (without membership)

Circulation increased from 2,500 to 4,000

Second year:

472 members . . . . 99 subscribers (without membership)

Circulation increased from 4,000 to 5,500

FINANCES

First year:

Total income $3,962.73

Total expenditures . $3,648.70

Second year:

Total income
(includes $1,900 contributed by the Scott Foundation)
$5,896.43
Total expenditures $6,056.83

Itemization of Expenses

Newsletter printing	$2,598.98
Newsletter postage	2,140.66
sub total	$4,739.64
Telephone	$ 91.95
Office supplies	219.28
Postage (includes newsletter return postage)	348.66
Membership drive	366.13
Bumper stickers	96.08
Accountant	140.00
Petty cash	30.09
Misc	25.00
sub total	$1,317.19
Total	$6,056.83

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CURE's FIRST YEAR

The most obvious, concrete accomplishment of CURE during its first year was the publishing of the monthly newsletter. The purpose of the newsletter is to provide a forum for the dissemination of information and expression of opinion among those concerned with combating racism. Many times the opinions expressed did not represent official CURE policy but nevertheless the CURE board of directors believed that these opinions needed to be expressed, since the opinions were held by large groups of San Diego citizens and there was no other forum open to them.

Our reporters and authors came from all segments of the community but they had in common their desire to promote racial equality. In the newsletter we supported: the grape boycott, the ElementaryInstitute of Science, the Teen Posts, the Crisis Center, CIC and Design for Understanding and their other programs, operation Stimulation, Mickey's missiles, the Walk for Justice, the Chicano legal defense fund, and the law suit against school board. Considerable coverage was given to: the school bonds, the inner city project and the Urban Coalition. The newsletter has contained hundreds of ideas for those who are asking, "What can I do?"

CURE has entered the public debate on issues touching our area of concern. The board of directors have made written and oral presentations to governmental agencies such as the board of education, city council, city-community dialogue, county board of supervisors, state board of education. In this way we supported an increased budget for CIC, urged that the county adopt the surplus food program, recommended that the city have a leased housing program, recommended that there be minority representation on the housing advisory committee, urged the appointment of minority people to fill council vacancies, urged that a black principal be appointed at Lincoln High School and that there be black officers on the police force. We ojected to the Clayton Brace editorial concerning CIC and the police department and to the San Diego Union editorial concerning Lincoln High Schools student walkout, and to the absence of plans to reduce de facto segregation through the recent school bonds.
CURE's telephone tree has provided a rapid communication network through which messages can be passed which will tend to combat racism in San Diego. These emergency messages called our members to action, and have transmitted information to them which could not wait for slower, more conventional distribution.

Our members have been informed of and urged to attend meetings and demonstrations which might influence our community leaders to move toward equal opportunities for all. Through this method our members learned of the TORCH protest concerning the housing crises, the Black Panthers clothing drive at Christmas, the Christmas party for disadvantaged children given by Jim Jones, the Mexican-American legal defense fund raising dinner-dance, the Chicano protest to the Life magazine ad of the San Diego Gas & Electric Co., the black-brown coalition picketing of San Diego motels using unfair hiring practices.

CURE has helped in the creation and execution of several educational programs designed to disseminate information about racism and how to combat it. These programs have attempted to mobilize (particularly the white middle class community) toward getting that job done. 650 San Diegans attended a CURE-UCSD Extension Workshop last September with the hope of learning how to become involved in the fight against racism. We supported the Jewish Community Center's dramatization of the Report of the Kerner Commission, Synanon's Black plays, and Roland McFarland's summer black theatre. We helped fund Ernie Chamber's appearance in San Diego.

CURE has recently been working with the UCSD Extension representatives again to plan a class for next fall which will help the participants solve the problems involved in social action. Our annual meeting to be held May 7th will feature a reactor type panel responding to practical problems presented from the audience. We hope to show, "How to Be Effective Today Through Practical Politics."

CURE has an over-worked one woman Volunteer Bureau. At the UCSD-CURE workshop in September, many in attendance indicated their skills and willingness to volunteer on forms which were provided. Many of these people have been paired up with needs in the community. We frequently receive requests by telephone for special help -- such as finding transportation to medical facilities, finding housing. We also have attempted to refer volunteers who call in.

CURE has survived for a whole year and perhaps that in itself has been a real accomplishment! 500 voices don't speak loud enough in the councils of government; so one of our projects for the future will be a membership drive. We are considering publishing a magazine, perhaps a quarterly, which will provide space for in-depth articles concerning San Diego's racial problems and their possible solutions. We are considering the advisability of initiating some community-wide action projects. We have thought too of having some community wide social activities -- beach parties, picnics, pot-luck suppers which would help all people who agree with our purposes to get acquainted. We urge all who share our goals to join us, to roll up their sleeves and to work for a better San Diego.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT
1968-1969

Total income		$3,762.33
Expenditures:		
Newsletter production	$1,804.86	
Newsletter postage	1,267.05	
	3,071.91	
stationery & office supplies	56.53	
postage	75.23	
phone	63.90	
Ernie Chambers lecture fee	93.50	
incorporation papers	33.85	
advertising & promotion	15.00	
subscription to Voice	6.00	
	344.01	
Balance		$206.32
special fund for folding of newsletter		135.00
petty cash		5.09
		346.41
Outstanding bills	53.58	

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The tasks were overwhelming and the means small, but CURE continued its efforts towards a just community. Through the newsletter publication, letters, verbal appeals, referral and support of individual and group efforts the work was continued in the following ways:

Voter registration & legislation: Inxdivuals actively participated with the League of Women Voters in voter registration. Information was published about the Friends Committee on Legislation.

Carswell's nomination: appealed to readersthrough the newsletter and a special mailing urging them to express their opposition tothe appointment, expressed the board's opposition to Calif. congressmen, loaned material to other groups requesting use of our literature.

Volunteer bureau: through the newsletter conveyed requests for volunteers to help the Salvation Army food distributioncenter, St. Rita's child development center, assistance at Mead Elementary school, need for

Spanish speaking persons to help at University Hosp., help with So. Calif Indian assistance and help with the head start program.

Art&s Culture: CURE sponsored the "Black Art" exhibit at the Central Library in the month of October, published information about the L Jolla Black Art Exhibit, requested musical instruments for the So.East Community Music School Assn. and also for ACCESS.

Films & Literature: published information about the availability of films offered by Operation Stimulation, Sesame Street TV program for 3-5 yr olds and book reviews on current problems.

Directory: published a directory of community and public organizations for which we received hundreds of requests for additional copies and many compliments from the community.

Fund Raising: Assisted Omega Feyette Miss. fund through an insert in the newsletter and appealed for assistance to Community Relations Conference of So. Calif.

Police: publicized and participated in the NCCJ police conference, published articles about Sunday in the Park.

Health: supported the Charles Drew foundation to research sickle cell anemia through articles in the newsletter.

Grape Strikers: published articles and appeals for invovlement with contribution of food etc.

Recreation: published an article about the Chicano Park under Coronado bridge, Metro's summer youth camps, was involved in setting up a church scholarship fund for a summer intercultural camp.

Tutoring: published an article about SOFA and directed volunteers to them and the La Jolla Community Education Service for tutoring.

Food: Initiated the breakfast bar program through the newsletter& stimulated individual involvment , publicized and supported the WRO's instant breakfast for school children program, appealed for food for

grape strikers.

Furnishings: published appeals for furniture and Christmas needs in Delano.

Transportation: requested rides for children to and from the Child Guidance Clinic, St. Andrews pre-school, YWCA Job corps, and to and from the minority community to the county hospital.

Community projects: participated in and published information about "Call for Action", contributed literature to ACRE's Del Mar fair booth, published information about the Job Corps, SOFA, Rumor Control Clinic, announced the establishment of the Heartland Human Relations office, and the Lemon Grove Assn.

Business: published information about the Southeast Co-op.

Education: Actively helped find prsons to initiate a revolving student loan fund through Metro which is currently assisting a student finish her work at USC, actively expressed concern about the So. Bay Terraces development and its effects on segregation, supported through newslette publication and verbal expression the school lunch program, supported the March tax override, $50 clothing allowance for welfare children for school clothes, petitions to the SD school board with 1600 signatures urgining support of the Atty General's integration suit, urged exapansion of the Fremont/Silvergate experimental integration plan, published information about school problemsof Indian children.

Housing: Spoke to the Assembly Committee of Urban Affairs & Housing on updating landlord tenant laws. Expressed to the Planning Commission, School board and our readers, concern about So. Bay Terr., published information about low income housing in San Diego and assisted persons experiencing housing discrimination problems. Two were brougth to successful conclusion through the FEPC. One rec'd a $500 judgement the other rented to house.

Human Relations Commission: Actively fought dissolution of CIC, were represented on the County's Ad hoc committee to form a new commission.

Minimum Income: Supported the Urban League's program and sponsored a Community educational meeting on the subject, published articles on the subject and the activities of the YWCA's Public Affairs Comm. on this.

Youth: Offered support to the YWCA's SE Center for Alternative, published information about the Yellow Submarine interracial pre-school, information about the city schools' 6th grade camp, helped sponsor the NCCJ/PTA "Rearing Children of Goodwill" conference, published information about Lincoln High School's Booster club

Educational courses & seminars: published information about special Afro and Mex/Am coll ge courses and workshops, Jewish Community Center's series on "Taboo Topics."

Statistics this will include the number of 1st year and 2nd year members and the fact we circulated to 5,000 persons all year.

Finances This will be the resume of the yearly financial statement.

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