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CURE is an organization of volunteer citizens promoting racial equality in San Diego. We are primarily, but not exclusively, white middle-class, with many friends and close contacts in the minority communities.

Over 4000 copies of our newsletter are distributed each month throughout the entire county with significant numbers going to Chula Vista, La Mesa, Spring Valley, El Cajon, Lakeside, Poway, Del Mar and Escondido. A one day workshop on Racism at San Diego State College in September, sponsored by CURE and U.C. Extension, was attended by 650 citizens, also from the entire county. Thus our experience is that there is a countywide interest and concern in promoting racial equality.

We assume you are as aware as we are of the need for a countywide human relations organization, and that you are familiar with the functions of CIC.

We are here first to express our unqualified and vigorous support for CIC as an effective human relations organization concerned with racial justice. Our second purpose is to say that we believe we do in fact express the feelings of actively concerned responsible citizens of this county who are well aware of both the practical and moral issues involved and are deeply committed to the establishment of racial justice now in our county.