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LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS FACT SHEET AUGUST 1973

Re: PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDATE

To: The Honorable Donald R. Wright, Chief Justice, and the Honorable Justices of the Supreme Court of California

PETITIONERS
Richard Lopez and Joseph Andaya, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Western Region, League of Women Voters of San Diego, and Citizens United for Racial Equality (CURE)

vs.

RESPONDENTS
State Allocation Board, Wilson C. Riles, Verne Orr, Lawrence R. Robinson, Jr., Albert S. Rodda, Lou Cusanovich, Leroy R. Greene, and Dixon Arnett, as members of the State Allocation Board

On February 15, 1973 Petitioners made a formal written demand that the State Allocation Board take all necessary steps to insure that the monies it apportions are not expended by local districts to perpetuate racial and ethnic segregation. On March 16, 1973 the State Allocation Board decided that it would not take any steps to insure that the public funds allocated by it would not be used to perpetuate recial and ethnic segregation. The Board predicated its refusal on the fact that Proposition 21 (adopted by the voters in November 1972) abrogated their responsibility in regard to eliminating and preventing racial and ethnic imbalance.

Under the School Housing Aid Act enacted in 1971 by the state legislature, the State Allocation Board was charged with apportioning money to local school districts for the purpose of replacing and repairing structurally inadequate school buildings. This money,$325,000,000, is made available at this time to enable local school districts to meet the deadline of June 30, 1975 established by the legislature.

Approximately 70% of the reconstruction work is to be done in seven major urban districts:

School District	Non-conforming (Field Act)	Racially Imbalanced	To be constructed on imbalanced site
Los Angeles Unified	132	120	64
San Diego City Unified	25	14	10
San Jose City Unified	18	13	10
San Francisco Unified	55	23	19
Stockton Unified	11	9	6
Oakland Unified	32	25	no plan
Sacramento City Unified	20	11	no plan

Most of these and the additional 30% of the local school district plan to replace the present non-conforming schools with a new structure on the same racially segregated site.

On July 20,1973 the petition was filed in the State Supreme Court for a writ of mandate to compel the California State Allocation Board to comply with the Federal and State Constitutions by taking all steps necessary to insure that the $325,000,000 of public funds now being allocated by it for school construction pursuant to the School Housing Aid Act will not be used to perpetuate racial and ethnic segregation.

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PRE-FIELD ACT SCHOOLS IN SAN DIEGO UNIFIED

ELEMENTARY

*	Sherman	
	Euclid	
	Hamilton	
*	Pacific Beach	No funding presently available
*	Emerson	
*	Balboa	
*	Brooklyn	
*	Logan	
	McKinley	Funded
*	Grant	
	Cabrillo	
	Fremont	Demolition of unsafe buildings, minor remodeling and addition of portable classrooms completed or will be completed by June 30,1975
	Carfield	
	Edison	
*	Loma Portal	
*	Mission Beach	
*	Ocean Beach	

SECONDARY

*	Memorial Junior High	
=	Roosevelt Junior High	
*	San Diego High School	Funded
	Hoover High School	
*	La Jolla High School	
	Point Loma High School	
=	Roosevelt Junior High	No funding presently available
*	Pacific Beach Junior High	
+	Snyder Continuation High School	

* Racially and ethnically imbalanced
= Funding unsure
\+ Racial and ethnic composition unknown

Balanced schools	11
Imbalanced schools	14
Unknown	1
Total schools	25