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TO: CORE SOUTHERN STAFF
RE: January Workshop; other matters
FROM: CORE Southern Office

The workshop for CORE Southern staff will be held Thursday through Saturday, January 21-23, 1965 in New Orleans. Please set up your respective travel arrangements in accordance with the workshop schedule. Together with this memo you will receive an outline of the workshop schedule and content. However, a most important item not listed on the workshop agenda is "SUMMER PROGRAM." Dave Dennis is spending much time in discussion on this with various staff people. At some time during the workshop he will introduce the subject for discussion.

In addition to the workshops, it is planned also to provide individual physical examinations for staff, identification photos and one informal social affair.

Shortly before Christmas each staff member received a personnel information form. This is to be filled out and returned to the Southern Office. Please send it in at once. The above item brings to mind the fact that at various other times you have received requests from the Southern Office for information of one sort or another--program reports, mileage reports, inventory, etc. It is the responsibility of the addressee to respond, or turn the request over to the proper person for answer. If any such request seems unreasonable or impractical, then voice your complaint. However, anything less than complete response leads to a certain amount of confusion in the operations of the Southern area. One of the primary functions of the Southern Office is remove confusion from our procedures as far as possible.

If there are any question concerning the coming conference, please address them to the Southern Office as soon as possible. We will try to answer.

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A Brief Description of Each Element of the CORE Southern Program
To Be Included in the January Workshop (1965)

Community Organization. This is not really a programmatic item, but a technique to be used in all the CORE programs. The technique centers around our efforts to determine:

1. What socio-economic problems are most important to members of the Negro community? (*)
 2. How can we adapt CORE's ideas and resources to those needs?
- (*) For instance, CORE southern staff tends to regard public accommodations campaigns as superficial compared to such fundamental concerns as job-training. But it is recognized that success in the latter may only be achieved by using public accommodations as a means of establishing solid rapport with the people.

Food and Welfare Program. Many Negroes have lost jobs, customers or local credit because of their participation in the civil rights struggle. Others, already unfortunate, have been dropped from subsistence programs or relief rolls. The CORE Food and Welfare Program attempts to provide sufficient subsistence that these people will not be obliged to give in to segregationist pressure to "Come back in and be a good boy." Resources for this program are obtained from donations and from such federal agencies as the Food-stamp Program. Solicitation, transportation, storage and distribution of these goods are all problems.

Community Center. This may house any number of programs: library, game-rooms, freedom school, nursery, adult literacy program, etc. Its function varies according to needs, available resources and imagination.

Freedom Schools. This institution usually works on a four-point program: basic literacy, communication and mathematics; Negro history; human relations in the immediate community and in American life generally; popular subjects not included in the current curriculum of local Negro schools. In most instances the Freedom School draws exclusively from the teen-age group.

Political Education. There are three areas of inquiry: procedures of voter registration, study of local and state government and local organization for most effective use of the ballot.

Federal Programs. Up to now, most of our concern has been in those programs designed to help rural people. Still to be explored are federal assistance in housing, job-training, community welfare and all the elements of the Economic Opportunities Act.

CORE Policy and Procedures. There are not many CORE chapters in the South. In Mississippi, COFO is a more familiar organization than CORE. The "Project" (Canton, Meridian, etc.) has developed its own modus operandi. Thus it is necessary to acquaint the staff members with many particulars of the organization of CORE.

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2. 4 p.m.	Workshop
6 p.m.	Dinner
3. 7:30 P.m.	Workshop

FRIDAY, Jan. 22

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12 noon	Lunch
1 p.m.	Special Services Workshop
2:40 p.m.	Special Services Workshop
4:20 p.m.	Special Services Workshop
6 p.m.	Dinner
7:30 p.m.	Anti-Poverty Program

SATURDAY, JAN. 23

5. 10 a.m.	Workshop
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Summer prog. college program

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BUDGET
FOR FIRST SOUTHERN CORE WORKSHOP, Jan. 21-23

It is likely that some of the listed expenses may not amount to as much as estimated. There is the possibility of some free housing and free rental of conference facilities. In any event, an accurate record of receipts and disbursements will be kept, and submitted to the national office at the conclusion of the conference.

Housing for eighty people @ \$4.00 per da.	\$320.00/	3 days	960.00
Travel expense (see below) round-trip			513.50
Food 2 meals daily @ 75¢/meal.	120.00/	3 days	360.00
Rental of conference facilities @ 25.00/da.			75.00
Information kit @ 60¢/person			48.00
Incidentals and emergencies			75.00
	Estimated Total		<u>\$2031.50</u>

Note: Travel expense is computed on a mileage rate of 5¢/mile for one car each from North Carolina, South Carolina, Jackson, Miss. and Alexandria, Louisiana; two cars each from Florida, Baton Rouge and Monroe, Louisiana; three cars each from Canton and Meridian, Mississippi.