## HOW DOES CHIP WORK ?

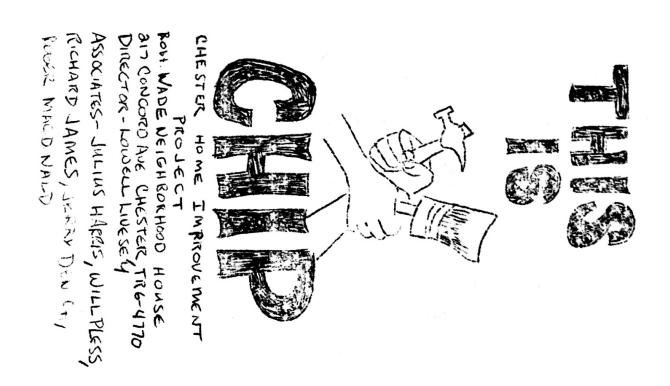
Volunteers gather at the Robert Wade Neighborhood House, 217 Concord Ave. in the heart of Chester at 7 P.M. on Friday night -- every Friday night all year long.

The first evening may be a trip to a magistrate's court to see some of the human problems first-hand and to talk with the judge. Upon returning to Wade House, there is group discussion of Saturday's jobs: where, what, how much paint, and why are we here anyway? What do we hope to accomplish? Who are we and what skills of hand and mind do we bring? Bedtime (using two floors and separate facilities) is -- well, whenever we and the chaperones think we really must get to sleep!

Saturday breakfast is 7:45 sharp, then we're off to work. During the day the CHIP staff tours the various projects to check on supplies, give advice and encouragement, bring our lunches if the host family does not provide it. Talking, eating, working together with people of all ages and diverse ideas makes the day worthwhile. And the glow on our hosts' faces when the new paint gleams on the walls or the porch no longer sags is reflected on our own!

Back to Wade House to clean up for supper at 6:00. Then organized recreation, or a speaker on urban renewal or employment problems, skits perhaps, a surprise excursion, a record hop, a special visitor — the evening may hold any or all of these. And always time to TALK about what we've learned today. Then home to the various corners of Delaware County that we came from. If the group wishes, they can arrange to stay over and attend a local church service on Sunday morning.

Volunteers should be 15 years or older. Please bring a bedroll or sleeping bag and a donation of \$2.00, if possible, for meals and insurance. Please call Robin Hart, 353-1917, or Jeff Long, Ki3-3075.



## WHAT IS CHIP ?

- CHIP is .... a weekend workcamp in Chester, Pa.
- CHIP is .... a chance to work with Chester residents in the rehabilitation of individual Chester homes
- CHIP is .... an opportunity to make a real, personal contribution to the welfare of disadvantaged people
- CHIP is .... a small, working pilot project to show what can be done by cooperative effort in a block, a neighborhood, or a city -- when people care
- CHIP is .... part of the larger picture of Chester's efforts to pull itself up by its own bootstraps
- CHIP is .... where a volunteer may get training in the nature of social problems and the means of solving them, through discussion with others who have lived and worked in Chester
- CHIP is .... a place to learn the human skills of understanding by painting, papering, sanding, repairing -- together
- CHIP is .... a day painting -- or a weekend you'll never forget -- or an adventure in understanding -- or a chance to encourage others in self-help
- CHIP is .... what its volunteers make it!

## WHO ARE THESE VOLUNTEERS ?

High School Students, from all over Delaware County
CHIP has become a new experience to me. It offers an opportunity
for me to help people to help themselves.

Homemakers
CHIP has given me a way to show my feelings for others.

College Students

I've got a feeling for life in Chester that's a step beyond reading THE OTHER AMERICA.

Chester Residents

I didn't understand at first why you came to help us, but I'm;
certainly glad you did. CHIP helps us hope for a better Chester."

A workcamp needs people of goodwill: any age, any sex, any skills. It can be an ordinary experience. It can be a springboard to discovery of yourself and others, of the world's needs and the world's answers. At the least, it's several hours of hard work well spent on fixing the house of someone who needed help. At the most, it's a new dimension in cooperation and commitment.