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1975-1976
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BOARD MEETING
COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING

DATE JANUARY 8, 1976 5:30 TIRR LIBRARY

PRESENT: Bobby Kafka, Joe Villareal, Will Clark, Ray Lennart, Nita Weil, Mary Lou Clayton, Lex Frieden, Joyce Nelson, Bob Geyer, Evelyn Thibedeaux, Don Rossi, Linda Pickle.

ABSENT: Joe Hallmark

The meeting was called to order by Bobby Kafka, who introduced our guest from Houtran, Mr. John Landom. Mr. Landom reported that some 6,000 questionaires had been sent out with very disappointing response. He explained that out of the 6,000 sent out, they received only 200 responses, and that's only 2%. He went on to say that it had been difficult to locate handicapped people and that the questionaire was not well distributed. HGAC distributed the questionaire to the following healthcare organizations: American Cancer Society, Public Welfare, The Cerebral Palsy Center and Community Welfare Planning Association. Joe Villareal recommended PSA be followed by newspaper advertisements and that Houtran's next step should be putting together three routes. Mr. Landom went on to say that he had made an exploration of the tunnel system downtown and found one place nothing could be done, but two places where ramps could easily be installed. He will mail a marked map of the point for the Mini buses with wide sidewalks, little pedestrian traffic and a nice little accessible mall downstairs. In looking at the routes for the Mini buses they will try one between Independence Hall, the University of Houston and the Medical Center which will link up at the 100 Milam building with another from the University of Houston to the Medical Center. A third between University of Houston and Independence Hall making Bell Village a kind of collection point. Another route may be down West Dallas to the Retarded Center. On the routes proposed he said it would be $125,000 per year and the city will subsidize these. Mr. Landom reported that Atlanta had just put in their bus service, which he regarded as something of a failure, although they were very pleased. It's a subscription type service and often they have only two people riding the bus. After several recommendations from Committee members Mr. Landom said he would report to Mr. Goodman what had taken place at the meeting and would then report back to us.

Don Rossi proposed that we invite Jess Erwin, head of TPC to a Board Meeting, sometime within the next two months so that we can get to know him on a more personal basis and have better input to him in Austin.

A long discussion followed on HUD subsidizing rent through a lottery type selection system. Everyone felt this was inadequate and improper because it took no account of need or personal situation.

The Wheelchair Guidebook is going to the printer. The cost is $2,028.00 for 2,000 copies, to be paid for by the Auxiliary of TIRR.

Lex Frieden moved that the Treasurer send $10.00 to renew our dues in the American Coalition for this year. It was seconded and passed.

Lex said the American Coalition General Meeting will be in April or May of this year and suggested that we send someone as our representative.

Lex said that the TRC Senate Bill SP-111 passed in January 1970, stated any building built with County or City Funds should be barrier free and follow the requirements stated in it or we can sue and have those buildings modified. The Building Inspectors said that they inspect buildings according to plans. The plan checkers check buildings according to City Building Code which is not consistent with the State Regulations and Architectural Barriers Committee. Doug Lawson needs to be contacted, and this will be done either by mail or by Nita Weil who said she would invite him to the next General Meeting.

The proposal for the curb cuts needs to be in by February 1st.

Margaret Watson with the Work Activity Program would like to make a presentation on microfilming for jobs for people with disabilities. She will be at the General Meeting on January 15, 1976.

It was suggested that we publish a monthly newsletter with information for it coming from the Committee Board Representatives, as well as that generated by the Board itself. Any news should be in by the 20th of each month.

Texas passed a law regarding special license tags and parking privileges for the handicapped. You must have a Doctors signature and call the Bureau that issues these parking privileges. You can park as long as you want, as long as it is in a specially marked place for the handicapped. You need a sticker on your car and contact Floyd Johnson, Texas Legislative Counsel for more information. Discussion followed on where these "specially marked places" might be since no one on the Board had seen any.

There was discussion on having food for the Board Meetings. Nita Weil will get information concerning this for the next meeting.

Evelyn Thibedeaux asked about telephone contacts. We discussed having an outside group like THE INDOOR SPORTS CLUB act as our Telephone Committee or if necessary having the board itself divide the membership list among its members and do the calling itself. No clear decision was made.

A copy of the National Center for Barrier Free Living was passed around with the possibility of us taking out a subscription. No decision was made.

It was suggested that Nita write to the Westwood Mall people indicating our thanks and approval for the manner in which the Mall was constructed, totally barrier free.

The next Board Meeting will be February 12, 1976, at 5:30 p.m. in the Library.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted,

Nita Weil,
Recording Secretary

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March 11, 1976

GENERAL MEETING OF THE C.B.F.L. AT T.I.R.R.

A G E N D A

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. READING OF MINUTES
3. TREASURER'S REPORT
4. GUEST SPEAKERS:
   a.) Bob Gammage, U.S. Representative
   b.) Gene Jones , Texas Senator
   c.) Lance Lalor, Texas Representative
5. COMMITTEE REPORTS
   a.) Transportation - Bob Geyer
   b.) Architectural Barriers - Sub: Guidebook - Nita Weil
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   i.) Recreation - Will Clark
6. NEW BUSINESS
7. OLD BUSINESS

BOARD MEETING
COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING

MARCH 4, 1976 TIRR LIBRARY

PRESENT: Bob Kafka, Ray Lennert, Bob Geyer, Lex Frieden, Don Rossi, Joe Villareal and Nita Weil

ABSENT: Joe Hallmark, Will Clark, Linda Pickle and Mary Lou Clayton

Bob Kafka opened the meeting by asking Joe Villareal to introduce his guests, Robbie Oheil and Bob Johnson who are with Photographic Laboratories. They are interested in donating their time and talents, as a young, and new company, to making PSA's for us. They will work closely with Joe on this and will also look at hand-out type PR.

After they spoke, Joan Glance from the Rice Media Center talked about doing an 8 MM Video film on one or more of our group. This will cost the CBFL approximately $75. and was so approved by the Board. Work will hopefully being on Monday, March 8th. Messers: Bob Gammage, US Representative, Gene Jones, Texas Senator and Lance Lalor, Texas Representative have been invited to attend our March 11th General Meeting, and it is hoped that we have a good turn-out in order to present our issues and goals effectively.

Ms. Melva Burnham, Social Services Department TIRR, and University of Houston attended in order to learn more of the CBFL's work, and to help us in any way she can.

A motion passed making Don Rossi official liaison between the CBFL and REC (Rehab. Engineering Clinic). Don asked that all members be contacted by phone by a volunteer, in an effort to learn our experiences with TRC.

Don Rossie also suggested that copies of all official letters should be sent to the President. It was moved and passed.

A motion was passed that Bob Geyer write a letter to Barry Goodman, asking what the status is on the Houtran Buses, and when we can expect more on the streets of Houston. Discussion followed that it was our feeling that all Houtran buses should be made accessible.

A new time for meetings was set: BOARD MEETINGS 1st Thursday of every month.
GENERAL MEETINGS: 3rd Thursday of every odd no. month

All of the Board members were asked to bring in a short paragraph on their committees work for the Newsletter.

Bob Kafka asked Nita Weil to check with Mort Levy on the status of the Building Code, and asked Lex Frieden and Bob Geyer to contact Messers. MacDonagle and Bob Moore of the Housing Authority regarding Section 8. We are not satisfied with the random selection of recipients. Pulling names out of a hat, as it were, without regard for need, eligibility, etc. seems irresponsible.

The President asked Don Rossi to write a letter concerning the telephone exemption form dealing with increased rates.

Don Rossi was voted to be our Parlimentarian. It was felt a little more order was needed in the conducting of meetings.

It was deicded that the Minutes of Board Meetings should be sent out no later than 10 days after a meeting. This was done in order to keep members informed on what they are to do, decisions that were made, and so that members who were not present may keep up on what transpires.

Bob Geyer announced that the Crawford Trust has money for handicapped people who are in college and under 21. If you are 21 when you received this money, and need to use it until you are out of school, it still applies.

Bob Geyer stated that you can obtain a handicapped Parking Sticker for your car by sending in $1. and a letter from your doctor stating your disability. Send this information to the County Clerks Office.

Linda Pickle is to see if ABAC will provide service to CBFL and use this as a tax "write-off."

Respectfully submitted,

Nita Weil

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Recording Secretary

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AUSTIN, TEXAS 78711

MARK WHITE
SECRETARY OF STATE

SEP 30, 1975

BRUCE HUGHES
ASST. SECRETARY OF STATE

LEX FRIEDEN
9667 MEADOWVALE
HOUSTON, TX 77042

RE: COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING
CHARTER NO. 367719-1

DEAR SIR:

IT HAS BEEN OUR PLEASURE TO APPROVE AND PLACE ON RECORD THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION THAT CREATED YOUR CORPORATION. WE EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS IN YOUR NEW VENTURE.

AS A CORPORATION, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO THE FRANCHISE TAX LAWS. THE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS ADMINISTERS THESE LAWS. FRANCHISE TAX IS DUE ONE YEAR AND NINETY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE CERTIFICATE, AND YOU WILL BE CONTACTED BY THE COMPTROLLER CONCERNING THE PAYMENT THEREOF. IF THE CORPORATION SHOULD BE EXEMPT, YOU MUST APPLY TO THE COMPTROLLER FOR SUCH EXEMPTION. THE SECRETARY OF STATE CANNOT MAKE SUCH A DETERMINATION FOR YOUR CORPORATION.

WE SUGGEST THAT YOU KEEP THIS LETTER AS A REMINDER, OR, SO MARK YOUR RECORDS THAT YOU WILL NOT UNWITTINGLY BECOME LIABLE FOR STATUTORY PENALTIES FOR LATE FILING AND LATE PAYMENT.

IF WE CAN BE OF FURTHER SERVICE AT ANY TIME, PLEASE ADVISE.

VERY TRULY YOURS,
MARK WHITE
SECRETARY OF STATE

BY: BILL KIMBROUGH
DIRECTOR
CORPORATION DIVISION

The State of Texas

Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF FILING
OF

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

FOR

COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING
CHARTER NO. 367719

THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT DUPLICATE ORIGINALS OF THE ATTACHED FOR THE ABOVE, DULY SIGNED AND VERIFIED, HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN THIS OFFICE AND ARE FOUND TO CONFORM TO LAW.

ACCORDINGLY THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SUCH SECRETARY OF STATE, AND BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN HIM BY LAW, HEREBY ISSUES THIS CERTIFICATE AND ATTACHES HERETO THE DUPLICATE ORIGINAL.

DATED SEP. 16, 1975

Mark W. White Jr.
Secretary of State

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COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING

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James B. Clote
Deputy Director, Corporation Division

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the organization shall be the COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING, also referred to as CBFL, a non-profit organization.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

SECTION 1 The purpose of the CBFL shall be to minimize the barriers that obstruct handicapped individuals from achieving the equality of opportunity and respect due every human being.

SECTION 2 A handicapped individual is one who is or has been a consumer of rehabilitation services as defined by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

ARTICLE III

DURATION

The CBFL will continue in existence for a perpetual number of years.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 An active member is one who is or has been a consumer of rehabilitation services, has participated in at least one (1) of the last four (4) General Assembly meetings, and has paid annual dues of five dollars ($5.00) for the current fiscal year of the CBFL.

SECTION 2 An associate member is one whose primary purpose is or has been to provide service to the handicapped population, and has paid annual dues of five dollars ($5.00) for the current CBFL fiscal year.

SECTION 3 An inactive member is one who has defaulted on requirements for any other type membership.

SECTION 4 A honorary member is one who has rendered exceptional service to the purpose of the CBFL.

SECTION 5 Only active members may vote and hold elective office.

SECTION 6 Each active member shall exercise the right of one vote.

ARTICLE V

NO CAPITAL STOCK

There shall be no capital stock authorized or issued.

ARTICLE VI

BODIES

SECTION 1 These are established as the principal bodies of the CBFL: a General Assembly, a Council of Directors, the Standing Committees, a President, a Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Recording Secretary, which shall be elected by the General Assembly.

SECTION 2 Such auxiliary bodies and positions as may be found necessary may be established by the President, subject to the approval of a simple majority of the Council of Directors.

ARTICLE VII

REGISTERED OFFICE

The registered office in Texas shall be 5226 Holly, Bellaire, Texas 77401.

ARTICLE VIII

REGISTERED AGENT

SECTION 1 The registered agent in Texas is C. Donald Rossi.

SECTION 2 The registered agent's address is 5226 Holly, Bellaire, Texas 77401.

ARTICLE IX

DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the corporation, no assets shall go to any other individual or entity other than a "non-profit organization" as defined in the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

ARTICLE X

COMMENCEMENT

The CBFL shall begin work as a corporation upon issuance of its corporate seal by the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE XI

TRUSTEES

The three initial Trustees of the CBFL are the same persons as the incorporators; namely:

1) Don Rossi

2) Glenna L Eigelbach

3) Joe A Villareal

ARTICLE XII

INCORPORATORS - TRUSTEES

The three incorporators-trustees of CBFL are all over the age of 18; they are also citizens of Texas.

1) Don Rossi — 5226 Holly, Bellaire, Tx 77401

2) Glenna L Eigelbach — 5760 Dunlavy #48, Houston, Texas 77056

3) Joe A. Villareal — 3519 Link Valley #55, Hou, Tx 77025

STATE OF TEXAS X

COUNTY OF HARRIS X

I, EDWARD M. BRUNE, a notary public, hereby certify that on the 12th day of SEPT., 1975, personally appeared before me: DON ROSSI, GLENNA L. EIGELBACH, and JOE A. VILLAREAL, who being by me first duly sworn, each verified that they are the persons who signed the foregoing document in the noted capacity, and verified that the statements therein contained are true.

Notary Public in and for Harris County, Texas
My term expires: 7/1/76

Committee 4 - The Transportation Committee will be charged with the responsibility of helping individuals plan for their private transportation to and from their job, hospitals, and other places away from home in addition to seeking help from the administrators of both local and national transportation services in seeing that our needs for transportation are met.

Other self-explanatory committees are the By-laws Committee, Public Relations Committee, Housing Committee and Job Opportunities Committee.

All of the foregoing activities will entail the cooperative contribution of work, effort, and ideas by the members of the organization. It is contemplated that we will seek grant money from the federal government to help our goals. It is also anticipated that we will be able to set and participate in advisory boards to executive adminstrators on all levels of government and possibly private enterprises also (on a non-profit basis).

If there are further details that you would need to know, please contact me at my address above.

Sincerely yours,

James L. Veerkamp
Attorney at Law

COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING

ALDO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT DECEMBER 13, 1975

Present: Bob Kafka, Joe Villareal, Will Clark, Don Rossi, Joe Hallmark, Mary Lou Clayton, Bob Gyer, Ray Lanert, Andy Moore, Kathy Hyland, Bill Schwinsburg, Margaret Hirsch, Barbara Lanert, Ann Gyer, Ivan & Nancy

Met at Aldo's Italian Restaurant, 5941, Bellaire Blvd.

Meeting was called to order by Bob Kafka.

1) The goals and objectives drawn up by the Board of Directors & Executive Committee will be sent out to the membership who will be asked to select a committee to work on (if they don't choose a committee, they will be assigned to one.) The director assigned to each committee is to act as a liaison between the committee and the board, but is not necessarily the committee chairman.

2) Notices of the meetings will be posted at TIRR Independence Hall and Springtree, as well as sending individual notices to the membership.

3) Joe Hallmark gave the treasurers report:

Bank Balance:	$1,251.04	
Outstanding debts:	61.39	- Coke bill from the Festival
	1.58	- Supplies for Nita
Outstanding assets:	15.00	- Dues
	16.70	- Refund from Board members for A.C.C.D. Banquet

A motion was made by Joe Hallmark that the Coke bill be paid. The motion was seconded. The motion passed and the bill will be paid.

Present balance: $1,219.77

4) The handicapped seating in the Summit (Sec. 118) will be available at the lowest ticket price for every event. There are electrical outlets for respirators. Others who attend with the handicapped must pay regular ticket prices.

5) The distribution of the wheelchair guide books was discussed and several suggestions were made. It was decided that Joe Villareal and Nita Weil's committees should handle the distribution.

6) The Public Relations committee and Recreation Committee will work on getting a halftime wheelchair basketball game at the summit during a Houston Rocket game.

7) University of Houston Handicapped Organization wants to join the Coalition as an associate member. The P.V.A. is interested in becoming an associate member, but is not sure if it would violate their national organization's rules.

8) The need for a brochure about the Coalition was brought up. In the discussion the general feelings were that the brochure contain an outline of the Coalitions goals and what it wants to see come about. Joe Villareal said the brochure will be drafted in January. Bob Kafka is working on getting the printing done free.

9) Ray Lanert suggested that the Board meetings continue to be on either Saturday or Sunday and that they be held some place other then TIRR or Goodwill. The suggestion was discussed and Ray Lanert moved that the Board Meetings be held on Saturday or Sunday. The motion was seconded and passed. The next Board Meeting will be on January 10, 1976, the place will be prescribed at a later date.

10) Joe Hallmark moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed.

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September 16, 1975

reply: 9667 Meadowvale
Houston, Texas 77042

Dear Sir:

The CBFL is a local nonprofit organization of handicapped citizens who have joined together to try and eliminate architectural, educational, employment, transportation, and many other barriers to handicapped persons. We are working with public and private agencies to make society aware of the problems which confront us every day.

In order to be self-sufficient and thus maintain our integrity as an organization, we are holding a benefit carnival at St. Francis DeSales Church on October 5, 1975. Proceeds from this event will be used to underwrite future organizational expenses.

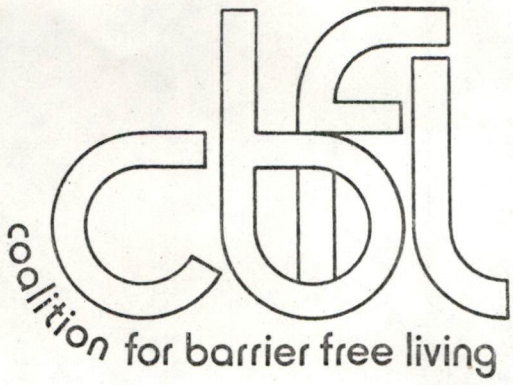
We would like to have beer available for carnival guests - we are expecting about 500. If you could donate the beer, we would sell it for 25¢/cup or so, and give you credit for the donation. There will be considerable publicity associated with this event as all the media will be represented, in addition to many local political and sports figures.

If I can add further information, please call me. Thank-you for your gracious consideration. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Lex Frieden
Member of the Board

telephone: 781-8949



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C. Social Action - Mary Lou Clayton

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3) To influence future legislation for the protection of the rights of the handicapped.

4) To make the information provided in each act known to the membership of CBFL.

D. Public Relations - Joe Villareal

1) To insure that the views and goals sought by individual committees and the CBFL are brought before the general public for support.

2) To work together with the Fund-Raising and Membership Committee to have other organizations, business groups, etc. join the CBFL in support and/or membership.

E. Consumer and Medical Services - Don Rossi

Short Term

1) Exemption from additional charge for services at gas stations.

2) Request that telephone company provide speaker phones and fast dialing for the handicapped at no additional charge.

3) Compile a register of physicians that are willing to treat the severely disabled.

Long Term

1) Establish a consumer complaint center (telephone linked to recorder).

2) Consumer information and referral service
   a) Computer system devised for relaying of information stored on file.

F. Housing - Lex Frieden

1) Make 10% of all apartment housing totally accessible to persons in wheelchairs.

2) Make public housing subsidies (Section 8) more available for mobility impaired individuals - raise fair market rent limit.

3) Encourage and support cluster housing for severly disabled persons.

G. Employment - Raymond Lenart

1) To make the public aware of the various occupations disabled persons are capable of entering and successfully doing.

2) To bring attention to the barriers to employment that exist in the community.

3) To identify real or potential gross under employment of disabled persons.

4) To become expert in information related to the goals of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and make them known to potential consumer groups.

H. Fund Raising and Membership - Joe Hallmark and Linda Pickle

1) Solicit associate membership of professional and consumer organizations.

2) Solicit individual membership.
   a) individual contact
   b) Associate members
   c) Public Relations

3) Seek Alternative Funds for operating expenses.

4) Organize CBFL's Annual Fall Festival

I. Recreation - Will Clark

1) Organize recreational activities between CBFL and other organizations.

2) Sponsorship of state wide olympics for wheelchair bound persons.

3) Group trips, parties and other recreational activities for CBFL membership.



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Please indicate which committee(s) you would like to join:

A. Transportation _____

B. Architectural Barrier Sub-Committee Guide Book _____

C. Social Action _____

D. Public Relations _____

E. Consumer and Medical Services _____

F. Housing _____

G. Employment _____

H. Fund Raising & Membership _____

I. Recreation _____

Remarks & Suggestions: _____

_____

Current Mailing Address:

Name _____

Street _____

City & Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Please mail as soon as possible to:

CBFL
P. O. Box 20803
Houston, TX 77025

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR! SEE YOU NEXT YEAR

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C. Social Action - Mary Lou Clayton

1) To undertake a needs assessment for the improving services available to the handicapped through State and Federal monies.

2) To evaluate the effectiveness of the current services provided by TRC and investigate alternative avenues of service through city programs.

3) To influence future legislation for the protection of the rights of the handicapped.

4) To make the information provided in each act known to the membership of CBFL.

D. Public Relations - Joe Villareal

1) To insure that the views and goals sought by individual committees and the CBFL are brought before the general public for support.

2) To work together with the Fund-Raising and Membership Committee to have other organizations, business groups, etc. join the CBFL in support and/or membership.

E. Consumer and Medical Services - Don Rossi

Short Term

1) Exemption from additional charge for services at gas stations.

2) Request that telephone company provide speaker phones and fast dialing for the handicapped at no additional charge.

3) Compile a register of physicians that are willing to treat the severely disabled.

Long Term

1) Establish a consumer complaint center (telephone linked to recorder).

2) Consumer information and referral service
   a) Computer system devised for relaying of information stored on file.

F. Housing - Lex Frieden

1) Make 10% of all apartment housing totally accessible to persons in wheelchairs.

2) Make public housing subsidies (Section 8) more available for mobility impaired individuals - raise fair market rent limit.

3) Encourage and support cluster housing for severly disabled persons.

G. Employment - Raymond Lenart

1) To make the public aware of the various occupations disabled persons are capable of entering and successfully doing.

2) To bring attention to the barriers to employment that exist in the community.

3) To identify real or potential gross under employment of disabled persons.

4) To become expert in information related to the goals of the Equal Employment Opportunity Act and make them known to potential consumer groups.

H. Fund Raising and Membership - Joe Hallmark and Linda Pickle

1) Solicit associate membership of professional and consumer organizations.

2) Solicit individual membership.
   a) individual contact
   b) Associate members
   c) Public Relations

3) Seek Alternative Funds for operating expenses.

4) Organize CBFL's Annual Fall Festival

I. Recreation - Will Clark

1) Organize recreational activities between CBFL and other organizations.

2) Sponsorship of state wide olympics for wheelchair bound persons.

3) Group trips, parties and other recreational activities for CBFL membership.



post office box 20803 houston, texas 77025

Please indicate which committee(s) you would like to join:

A. Transportation _____

B. Architectural Barrier Sub-Committee Guide Book _____

C. Social Action _____

D. Public Relations _____

E. Consumer and Medical Services _____

F. Housing _____

G. Employment _____

H. Fund Raising & Membership _____

I. Recreation _____

Remarks & Suggestions: _____

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Current Mailing Address:

Name _____

Street _____

City & Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Please mail as soon as possible to:

CBFL
P. O. Box 20803
Houston, TX 77025

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR! SEE YOU NEXT YEAR

Next General Membership Meeting - January 15, 1976 - 5:30 P.M. - T.I.R.R. Dining Room

COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING

TIRR Library November 6, 1975

Present: Bob Kafka, Will Clark, Mary Lou Clayton, Lex Frieden, Bob Geyer, Ray Lenart.

First action of the President was to make appointments to the standing committees as established in the bylaws of the CBFL. These appointments may or may not be chairmanships. The function is to have a board member as a transition from the committee to Board of Directors. The appointments to the standing committees are as follows:

A. Transportation - Bob Geyer.

B. Architectural Barriers - Sub Handbook - Nita Weil

C. Social Action - Mary Lou Clayton

D. Public Relations - Joe Villareal

E. Consumer and Medical Safety - Don Rossi

F. Housing - Lex Frieden

G. Employment - Ray Lenart

H. Fund Raising and Membership Co-chairman - Joe Hallmark & Linda Pickle.

I. Recreation - Will Clark

Following the appointments of Board Representatives to the Standing Committees the Board discussed the role of committees - how often they should meet - what function they should serve etc.

Upon request each of the appointed Board Representatives of the Standing Committees gave a brief extemporaneous idea of the goals as they were seen by Board appointed representatives to the committees. It was agreed that these goals for the committees would be written in final form and submitted to the Corresponding Secretary or to the President by Friday, November 21. The tentative goals for the standing committees were discussed at some length by members of the Board of Directors.

The next meeting for the Board of Directors was set for December 13, 1975. For further information contact Nita Weil.

Chapter XVII. AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the present bylaws shall come into force for all members of the CBFL when they have been adopted by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the General Assembly.

Chapter XVIII. RATIFICATION

These bylaws have been amended, accepted, and ratified in a General Assembly meeting.

_____
President

_____
Secretary

_____
Date

BYLAWS
COALITION FOR BARRIER-FREE LIVING

Chapter I. NAME & PURPOSE

Article 1.

The name of the organization shall be the COALITION FOR BARRIER-FREE LIVING, also referred to as CBFL.

Article 2.

The purpose of the CBFL shall be to minimize the barriers that obstruct the handicapped individual from achieving the equality of opportunity and respect due every human being.

Article 3.

A physically handicapped individual is one who is or has been a consumer of rehabilitation services as defined by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Chapter II. MEMBERSHIP

Article 1.

An active member is one who participates in committee activities and who has paid annual dues of five dollars ($5.00) for the current fiscal year of the CBFL.

Article 2.

An associate member is an organization who has paid annual dues of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) for the current CBFL fiscal years.

Article 3.

An inactive member is one who has defaulted on payment of dues or committee activities.

Article 4.

An honorary member is one who has rendered exceptional service to the purpose of the CBFL.

Article 5.

Only active members may hold elective office.

Article 6.

Each active member and associate member shall exercise the right of one vote.

Chapter III. BODIES

Article 1.

These are established as the principal bodies of the CBFL: a General Assembly, a Council of Directors, the Standing Committees, a President, a Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Recording Secretary.

Article 2.

Such auxiliary bodies and positions as may be found necessary may be established by the President, subject to the approval of a simple majority of the Council of Directors.

Chapter IV. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Article 1.

The General Assembly shall consist of all the members present at a general meeting.

Article 2.

General meetings shall be held no less often than bi-monthly.

Article 3.

A quorum shall consist of one quarter (1/4) of the active members.

Article 4.

The General Assembly may discuss any questions or any matter within the scope of the present bylaws or relating to the powers and functions of any body provided for in these bylaws.

Article 5.

The General Assembly has the power to overturn any decision of the Council of Directors by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

Article 6.

Any other questions are to be decided by simple majority vote.

Article 7.

The General Assembly shall approve all expenditures incurred on the behalf of the CBFL exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars ($250.00).

Article 8.

During a General Assembly meeting held in the last month of the fiscal year, there shall be elections held for the offices of President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and the additional members of the Council of Directors to serve for the next fiscal years. When the General Assembly is notified of this meeting, they shall be notified that this vote is to be taken.

Article 9.

The General Assembly may meet in special sessions as occasion may require. Special sessions shall be called by the President, or upon written request of a simple majority of the Council of Directors or one quarter (1/4) of the General Assembly.

Chapter V. THE COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS SHALL:

Article 1.

Consist of all elected officials and six (6) additional elected by the General Assembly.

Article 2.

(a) Determine eligibility and class of membership; (b) Have the prerogative of waiving dues by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

Article 3.

Convene at least monthly.

Article 4.

Have the prerogative of all legislative power not explicitly delegated to any other body.

Article 5.

Determine when any member shall be suspended for repeated violations of the bylaws.

Article 6.

Approve all expenditures incurred on behalf of the CBFL exceeding fifty dollars ($50.00).

Chapter VI. COMMITTEES

Article 1.

Committees shall be formed that relate to the purpose of the CBFL.

Standing committees shall be:

A. Transporation
B. Architectural Barrier Sub-Committee Guide Book
C. Legislative
D. Public Relations
E. Consumer and Medical Services
F. Housing
G. Employment
H. Fund Raising

Article 2.

Additional committees shall be formed at the discretion of the Council of Directors by simple majority vote.

Article 3.

Any committee other than a standing one may be dissolved by a simple majority vote of the General Assembly.

Article 4.

Each member of the CBFL shall choose the committee(s) on which he/she are to serve or be assigned to a committee by the Council of Directors.

Article 5.

Each committee shall elect a chairperson from among the committee members.

Article 6.

Each committee may make recommendations in writing of findings that are relevant to the goals of the committee to the CBFL, the General Assembly, the Council of Directors, or the President.

Article 7.

Each committee may set the time and place of its meetings.

Article 8.

Each chairperson shall have the responsibility for the minutes of each committee meeting and shall be responsible for submitting the minutes to the Recording Secretary two weeks after each committee meeting.

Chapter VII. ELECTIVE OFFICES

Article 1.

(a) The term of office shall be one year and be held only by active members.
(b) The President and Vice-President shall be physicall handicapped.
(c) Six (6) of the remaining elective officers or Council of Director members shall be physically handicapped.

Article 2.

The President shall:
(a) Be the Chief Executive officer of the CBFL and the Council of Directors.
(b) Have the prerogative of all executive duties not designated to other bodies in these bylaws.
(c) Preside at all meetings of the General Assembly and the Council of Directors.
(d) Have a vote only in the event of a tie.
(e) Appoint all non-elective officers with majority approval of the Council of Directors.
(f) Be an ex-officio member of all committees.
(g) Be limited to two (2) consecutive terms.

Article 3.

The Vice-President shall:
(a) Perform all duties and exercise all powers of the President in the President's absence.
(b) Succeed to the presidency in case of a vacancy in that office and serve out that term.

Article 4.

The Corresponding Secretary shall:
(a) Take care of all correspondence pertaining to transactions of the business of the CBFL.
(b) Give notice of all regular and special meetings to those relevant members.
(c) Keep an accurate record of all memberships and dues.

Article 5.

The Treasurer shall:
(a) Be the Chief Fiscal Officer of the CBFL.
(b) Receive all funds paid to the CBFL and shall deposit such funds in such banks as the Council of Directors may designate.
(c) Pay all bills for expenditures of the CBFL after those bills have been certified and approved by the Council of Directors.
(d) Keep or cause to be kept in suitable form detailed accounts of the assets, liabilities, receipts and disbursements of the CBFL.
(e) Render financial reports at all General Assembly and Council of Directors meetings.

Article 6.

The Recording Secretary shall:
(a) Be responsible for the recording of all minutes of all meetings.
(b) Be responsible for the recording attendance at all General Assembly and Council of Directors meetings.

Chapter VIII. FINANCE

Article 1.

The CBFL shall be a non-profit organization.

Article 2.

Any expense incurred in behalf of the CBFL not exceeding fifty-dollars ($50.00) shall have the prior approval of the President and Treasurer.

Article 3.

The CBFL may upon a simple majority vote of the Council of Directors accept dues, gifts, grants, contracts, and make and let contracts in connection with the operations of the CBFL.

Article 4.

No elective office shall be salaried.

Article 5.

The signatories of all CBFL expenditures shall be the President and Treasurer.

Chapter IX. DISSOLUTION OF THE CBFL.

Article 1.

The CBFL may be dissolved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the General Assembly at a special meeting specifically called for such purpose.

Article 2.

Upon dissolution all assets remaining after paying the CBFL obligations shall be distributed by the General Assembly to those organizations sharing the purpose in Chapter 1, Article 2.

Chapter X. RECORDS

Article 1.

The books shall be audited annually by a qualified individual approved by the Council of Directors.

Article 2.

All books and records of the CBFL may be inspected by any member upon reasonable request.

Chapter XI. FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the CBFL shall commence on the 1st day of October and shall end on the last day of September of the following year.

Chapter XII. PARLIMENTARY AUTHORITY

A Parlimentarian shall be appointed by the President with majority approval of the Council of Directors. Roberts Rules of Order, revised, latest edition, shall govern the meetings of the CBFL.

Chapter XIII. VOTING

All votes shall be by simple majority unless otherwise specified in these bylaws.

Chapter XIV. QUORUM

A quorum shall consist of one-fourth (1/4) of the relevant body.

Chapter XV. NOTICE OF MEETINGS

Notice of any general assemble meeting where a vote is to be considered shall state the time, place, and purpose and shall be served personally or by mail to those relevant members and shall be at least two (2) weeks prior to such meeting.

Chapter XVI.

(a) No individual or group may represent the CBFL to any other individual or organization without previous majority approval of the Council of Directors or the General Assembly.

(b) Each associate member shall submit in writing an executive order designating its representative to the CBFL.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR THE COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the organization shall be the COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING, also referred to as CBFL, a non-profit organization.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

SECTION 1 The purpose of the CBFL shall be to minimize the barriers that obstruct handicapped individuals from achieving the equality of opportunity and respect due every human being.

SECTION 2 A handicapped individual is one who is or has been a consumer of rehabilitation services as defined by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

ARTICLE III

DURATION

The CBFL will continue in existence until all barriers to the handicapped are eliminated from society.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1 An active member is one who is or has been a consumer of rehabilitation services, has participated in at least one (1) of the last four (4) General Assembly meetings, and has paid annual dues of five dollars ($5.00) for the current fiscal year of the CBFL.

SECTION 2 An associate member is one whose primary purpose is or has been to provide service to the handicapped population, and has paid annual dues of five dollars ($5.00) for the current CBFL fiscal year.

SECTION 3 An inactive member is one who has defaulted on requirements for any other type membership.

SECTION 4 A honorary member is one who has rendered exceptional service to the purpose of the CBFL.

SECTION 5 Only active members may vote and hold elective office.

SECTION 6 Each active member shall exercise the right of one vote.

ARTICLE V

NO CAPITAL STOCK

There shall be no capital stock authorized or issued.

ARTICLE VI

BODIES

SECTION 1 These are established as the principal bodies of the CBFL: a General Assembly, a Council of Directors, the Standing Committees, a President, a Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Recording Secretary, which shall be elected by the General Assembly.

SECTION 2 Such auxiliary bodies and positions as may be found necessary may be established by the President, subject to the approval of a simple majority of the Council of Directors.

ARTICLE VII

REGISTERED OFFICE

The registered office in Texas shall be 5226 Holly, Bellaire, Texas 77401.

ARTICLE VIII

REGISTERED AGENT

SECTION 1 The registered agent in Texas is C. Donald Rossi.

SECTION 2 The registered agent's address is 5226 Holly, Bellaire, Texas 77401.

ARTICLE IX

DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the corporation, no assets shall go to any other individual or entity other than a "non-profit organization" as defined in the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

ARTICLE X

COMMENCEMENT

The CBFL shall begin work as a corporation upon issuance of its corporate seal by the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE XI

INCORPORATORS

The incorporators of CBFL are :

NAME	ADDRESS
1) _____	_____
	_____
2) _____	_____
	_____
3) _____	_____
	_____

STATE OF TEXAS X

COUNTY OF HARRIS X

I, _____, a notary public, hereby certify that on the ____ day of _____, 1975, personally appeared before me; _____,

_____,

_____,

who being by me first duly sworn, each verified that they are the persons who signed the foregoing document in the noted capacity, and verified that the statements therein contained are true.

_____

Notary Public in and for Harris County, Texas
My term expires: _____

BY-LAWS FOR THE

COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING

ARTICLE I

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SECTION 1 The General Assembly shall consist of all the members present at a general meeting.

SECTION 2 General meetings shall be held no less than bimonthly.

SECTION 3 A quorum shall consist of one quarter (1/4) of the active members.

SECTION 4 The General Assembly may discuss any questions or any matter within the scope of the present bylaws or relating to the powers and functions of any body provided for in these bylaws.

SECTION 5 The General Assembly has the power to overturn any decision of the Council of Directors by a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

SECTION 6 Any other questions are to be decided by simple majority vote.

SECTION 7 The General Assembly shall approve all expenditures incurred on the behalf of the CBFL exceeding One Hundred Dollars (100.00).

SECTION 8 During a General Assembly meeting held in the last month of the fiscal year, there shall be elections held for the offices of President, Vice President, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and the additional members of the Council of Directors to serve for the next fiscal year. When the General Assembly is notified of this meeting, they shall be notified that this vote is to be taken.

SECTION 9 The General Assembly may meet in special sessions as occasion may require. Special sessions shall be called by the President upon written request of a simple majority of the Council of Directors or one quarter (1/4) of the General Assembly.

SECTION 10 The General Assembly by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) shall have the power to remove any member of the CBFL or an elective officer.

ARTICLE II

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1 The Council of Directors shall consist of all elected officals and six (6) additional elected by the General Assembly.

SECTION 2 The Council of Directors shall determine eligibility and class of membership.

SECTION 3 The Council of Directors shall convene at least monthly.

SECTION 4 The Council of Directors shall have the prerogative of all legislative power not applicate to any other body.

SECTION 5 The Council of Directors shall determine when any member shall be suspended for repeated violations of the bylaws.

SECTION 6 The Council of Directors shall approve all expenditures incurred on behalf of the CBFL exceeding Fifty Dollars ($50.00).

SECTION 7 A special session may be called by one-third (1/3) of the Council of Directors.

SECTION 8 The Council of Directors shall have the power to fill vacancies for the remainder of a term.

ARTICLE III

COMMITTIES

SECTION 1 Committies shall be formed that relate to the purpose of the CBFL. Standing committies shall be:

a. Transportation
b. Architectural Barrier- sub-committie-Guide Book
c. Legislative
d. Public Relations and Fund Raising
e. Consumer and Medical Services
f. Housing
g. Employment

SECTION 2 Additional committies shall be formed at the discretion of the Council of Directors by simple majority vote.

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ELECTIVE OFFICES

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b. have the prerogative of all executive duties not designated to other bodies in these bylaws.

c. preside at all meetings of the General Assembly and the Council of Directors.

d. have a vote only in the event of a tie.

e. appoint all non-elective officers with majority approval of the Council of Directors.

f. be an ex-officio member of all committees.

SECTION 2 The Vice President shall:

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a. be responsible for the recording of all minutes of all meetings.

b. keep a record of the names and addresses of all members.

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FINANCE

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SECTION 3 The CBFL may upon a simple majority vote of the Council of Directors accept dues, gifts, grants, contracts and make and let contracts in connection with the operations of the CBFL.

SECTION 4 No elective office shall be salaried.

SECTION 5 The signatories of all CBFL expenditures shall be the President and Treasurer.

SECTION 6 No expenses shall be incurred or paid in violation of Article II of the Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE VI

DISSOLUTION OF THE CBFL

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SECTION 2 Upon dissolution, all assets remaining after paying the CBFL's obligations shall be distributed by the General Assembly to those organizations sharing the purpose of Article II of the Articles of Incorporation

ARTICLE VII

RECORDS

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ARTICLE VIII

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 1 The fiscal year of the CBFL shall commence on the first day of October and shall end on the last day of September of the following year.

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SECTION 3 All votes shall be by simple majority unless otherwise specified in these bylaws; no proxy votes shall be permitted.

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ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

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ARTICLE X

RATIFICATION

These by laws shall be accepted and approved in a General Assembly meeting.

DATE_____

PRESIDENT_____

SECRETARY_____

Coal

Stock - $300

Goodwill - $100

Rep Davidson, 5200 Jensen Dr.
2:30 Friday afternoon

Easter Seal Society $100

Dr. Sleckler - after trip + May 21 at 4:00 P.M.

Ted Thayer - call in Austin after trip

Connie Wallace - see before going to Boston

Fred Lewis - P.V.A.

Frank Borrecco - H.C.C.R. -> Jim Hale M H M R

George Strong - call & meet after trip

Jim Hale $50.00 and meet after trip also in Washington

Spencer - TIRR $100.00 - meet in Washington

Use David Stock as advisor of coalition

See Charles Poore and Tom Crosscup

Jack Sanders 466-6852
DVA meet May 15
Dr. Crosslup $600 RC
money 8 mos. subject pol
take proposal
Irene Server, Ted Shaw, Geyer

ISSUES

where & how to get money

image

uses & purposes of money

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Bylaws

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Coalition

Consumer reps. + agency profs.

more regs. org.

ex. Regional office
lobby
info center
transp. aux.
memphis ES
attendant pool
wk repair
evaluation center
com. health service

certain many not avail able indep.

Title 20

SRS
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Regional office of ACB
Natl Center for Sp. studies

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issues

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To make these very important judgements and decisions about which methods to use, the investigator should have available as much data about the various possibilities as he can. One very important bit of information which the investigator sorely needs is data on the expected reliability and validity of the possible measuring instruments or methods. A comprehensive perusal of the extant naturalistic studies will demonstrate that very little of this information is available.

The fact is, no researcher really knows the value of his conclusions without knowing the reliability and validity of the method he used to obtain his results (Underwood, 1957). Of all the naturalistic data gathering methods, those which depend on the subject to report his own behavior are probably the most maligned on the basis of unreliability and invalidity.

There is evidence to indicate that some of these criticisms are justified (Broden, Hall, & Mitts, 1971; Johnson & White, 1971; McFall & Hammen, 1971); however, one should not throw the bacon out with the grease on the basis of a few specific instances. Other data indicate that natural-

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Broad based disability groups - no prejudice.

No southern Representitives

need organization + cooperation to improve services - agencies more sensitive to consumers and providers.

Consumer + agency problems - providers take advantage of agencys at taxpayers and agencys expense (EMS + Central supply) Agencys can help consumers get better service. Consumers can help agencys be more effective. Providers should improve quality. or cut price. Non profit agencys are interested in service.

Braniff 8:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Delta 9:40 — 2:59

Eastern 11:39 — 4:59 $218 e/excursion

National

Coach round trip Washington $207

excursion $155

~~air fare $300~~ $300.00
~~room = $250~~ $250.00
~~food =~~

needs - staff, telephone, postage, office space, travel expenses - Austin, to and from work, volunteers!

consultants - donated

~~Goodwill - Ray Davidson~~
suggested contacting
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May 7 1975 No. —

Received of C. B. F. L.

Ten and no/100 Dollars

For ACCD

Previous Balance $ —

Amount Paid $ 10.00

Balance Due $ 0

By Loraine DiPietro

May 2 1975 No. —

Received of Let Frieden

Eight and no/100 Dollars

For ACCD

Previous Balance $ —

Amount Paid $ 8.00

Balance Due $ 0

By Loraine DiPietro

From Jet re Facts for Brochure

According to '70 Census
in U.S. - 11,265,000
persons between 16 & 64
with disabilities preventing
work for 6 mos. or
longer (excluding
persons in institutions)

1 person/11 or 9.3%

604,771 or 9.1%
in Texas

Work Disability
less well-educated
more unemployed
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RESEARCH SUBJECT POOL - - COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING

The purpose of this project would be to provide researchers with an up to date list of volunteers of various disability types who are available and willing to participate as subjects and consultants in various research endeavors.

To begin with, the expected pool size would be between 100 and 200 - mostly spinal cord injured. It is anticipated that individuals of all disability types will eventually be enrolled and it is not now possible to estimate the composite pool size.

Besides the potential subjects names, a variety of other information about the subjects will be made available with their permission. This information may include: addresses, phone numbers, age, sex, disability (diagnosis and/or prognosis), date of onset, transportation needs, times available, etc. In addition to this, detailed records of participation will be kept on each subject by the RSP staff.

It is the intention of the Coalition to contract the information to the R&T center as a service to associated researchers who are committed to improving treatment of and services to consumers of rehabilitation services.

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Contracted funds may be used by the Coalition for any purpose expressed in its Bylaws as long as the Pool Information is maintained and kept up to date.

Prepared by Lex Frieden
Special Projects Administrator

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19	666-2073	ELLENBURG, JIM ✓
20	Ext 202 774-1000	Poor, Charles ✓
21	526-2181 CX# ~~305~~ 312	Delaney Joan ✓
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7	666-5450	VAUGHN, JOYCE (CHRMN.)
8	448-0469	~~Guy~~ MOORE, GUY
9	Ext 202-	Delaney, Joan
10	448-5978	Hallmark, Jee
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EMPLOYMENT 6-19-25

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3	749-1731	LENART, RAY
4	645-8693	ROBERTS, ELAINE
5	448-0469	MOORE, Guy
6	729-0002	WARMINGTON, ROD
7	"	", HILARY
8	526-4281 EXT 312	Delaney, Joan
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12	748-8310 WORK 691-3253 (HM)	Geyer, Bob (Chairman) (6 BURRESS)
13	774-4195	ATTEBERRY, Philip
14	774-4195	DILLON, ROSE
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3	528-3329	HALFORD,	MARGERY
4	523-1150	RHAME,	ED
5	645-8693	ROBERTS,	ELAINE
6	721-4124	SHAW,	DELL
7	721-4124	SHAW,	RODNEY
8	774-4195	THIBODEAUX,	EVELYN
9	528-5985	MINNEY,	MILTON
10	723-8862	BIGHAM,	SCOTT (CH)
11	485-3600	STOCK,	DAVID
12	448-8046	MOORE,	~~Guy~~
13	664-7154	Cole,	JEAN
14	528-5985	MINNEY,	MILTON
15	721-4124	SHAW,	RODNEY
16	"	SHAW,	DELL
17	729-0202	WARMINGTON,	ROD
18	"	"	, HILARY
19	528-4297	wilson,	Richard
20	528-2653	Reedy,	David
21	extra2	Delaney,	Joan
22	448-0978	Hallmark,	Joe
23	691-3223	Geyer,	Bob
24	774-4195	ATTEBERRY,	Philip
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LEGISLATION 6-16-75

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781-8949 FRIEDEN, LEX
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790-1732 PICKLE, LINDA
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446-8970 ALEXANDER, CAROL
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PA9-3320 Clark, Larry
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774-4195 ATTEBERRY, Phil
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723-6193 HENRY, Bob
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862-1763 Clark, W. II

PUBLIC RELATIONS

FORM 20-3 U.S.A.

1	723-8862	BIGHAM,	SCOTT ✓
2	692-8677	BROWN,	JIM ✓
3	522-5980	CLAYTON,	MARY LOU (CHRMN.) ✓
4	522-4247	BOARD,	MARY ANN ✓
5	747-3000 x557 668-9025	EIGELBACH,	GLENNA ✓
6	781-8949	FRIEDEN,	LEX ✓
7	738-6495	HUNTER,	MARY ✓
8	749-1731	LENART,	RAY ✓
9	433-5028	MILLER,	ESTA ✓
10	790-1732	PICKLE,	LINDA ✓
11	645-8693	ROBERTS,	ELAINE ✓
12	665-4349	ROSSI,	DON ✓
13	721-4124	SHAW,	DELL ✓
14	721-4124	SHAN,	RODNEY ✓
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19	626-5162	KIRSCH,	MISCHELLE ✓
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23	"	SHAN,	DELL
24	661-5587	HOTT,	NICK ✓
25	526-4281 ~~[illegible]~~	2. Delaney,	Joann ✓
26	694-5258	Brown,	Dan ✓
27	862-1763	Clark,	Will (CO-CHRMN)
28	723-8862	BROWN,	DELMA
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30	622-4247	Board,	Mary Ann
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TRANSPORTATION

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A STUDY OF DISABLED PERSONS AND THEIR NEEDS IN HOUSTON

COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING - HOUSTON, TEXAS

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Prepared by
Don Rossi
Project Director

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3519 Link Valley #55, 77025
665-5450

Mary Lou Clayton, Vice-President
2346 Tangley, 77005
522-5980

Glenna Eigelbach, Recording Secretary
5760 Gulfton #48, 77036
668-9025(home), 757-3000, ext. 537(work)

Linda Pickle, Corresponding Secretary
7605 Pheonix #205, 77025
790-1732(home), 526-4281, ext. 366(work)

Don Rossi, Treasurer
5226 Holly, Bellaire, 77401
665-4349

Scott Bigham, Director
5422 Gasmer #55, 77035
723-8862

Lex Frieden, Director
9677 Meadowvale, 77042
781-8949

Bob Geyer, Director
6 Burress, 77002
691-3253(home), 748-8310(work)

Joe Hallmark, Director
4307 Gum Grove, 77008
448-5978(home), 869-4971(work)

Reams Cox, Director
5440 Braesvalley #171, 77035
723-5494

Nita Weil, Director
1800 Holcombe #115, 77025
790-1981(home), 526-4281, ext. 375(work)

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16	"	SHAW, DELL	16
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22	448-8978	Hallmark, Joe	22
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LEGISLATION

1	692-2129	DAVIS, DAVID
2	777-8731	EDDEMAN, BILL
3	781-8949	FRIEDEN, LEX
4	649-0354	LEONARD, LARRY
5	747-3000	LEONARD, TWYLA
6	749-1731	LENART, RAY
7	790-1732	PICKLE, LINDA
8	665-4049	ROSSI, DON
9	774-4195	THIBODEAUX, EVELYN
10	790-1981	WEIL, NITA
11	790-1732	NORFA, VELGAR
12	466-8970	ALEXANDER, CAROL
13	729-0202	WARMINGTON, ROD
14	"	" HILARY
15	Ext 202	Delaney, John
16	448-5978	Hallmark, Joe
17	PA9-3320	Clark, Larry
18		Vertcamp, JIM (CHRMN)
19	774-4195	ATTEBERRY, Phil
20	774-4195	Burpee, Sylvia Legislat.
21	723-6193	HENRY, Bob
22	485-3600	STOCK, DAVID
23	862-1763	Clark, W. II
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PUBLIC RELATIONS

FORM 20-3 U.S.A.

1	723-8862	BIGHAM,	SCOTT ✓
2	692-8677	BROWN,	JIM ✓
3	522-5980	CLAYTON,	MARY LOU (CHRMN.) ✓
4	522-4247	BOARD,	MARY ANN ✓
5	747-3000 x537 668-9025	EIGELBACH,	GLENNA ✓
6	781-8949	FRIEDEN,	LEX ✓
7	738-6495	HUNTER,	MARY ✓
8	749-1731	LENART,	RAY ✓
9	433-5028	MILLER,	ESTA ✓
10	790-1732	PICKLE,	LINDA ✓
11	645-8693	ROBERTS,	ELAINE ✓
12	665-4349	ROSSI,	DON ✓
13	721-4124	SHAW,	DELL ✓
14	721-4124	SHAN,	RODNEY ✓
15	774-4195	THIBODEAUX,	EVELYN ✓
16	665-5450	VAUGHN,	JOYCE ✓
17	790-1981	WEIL,	NITA ✓
18	790-1732	Velgar NOBER,	NORFA ✓ ~~VELGAR~~
19	626-5162	KIRSCH,	MISCHELLE ✓
20	~~448-6465~~	~~MOORE, Guy~~	
21	666-8970	ALEXANDER,	CAROL
22	721-4124	SHAW,	RODNEY
23	"	SHAN,	DELL
24	661-5587	HOTT,	NICK ✓
25	526-4281 Ext ~~463~~ 312	Delaney,	Joann ✓
26	694-5258	Braun,	Dan ✓
27	862-1763	Clark,	Will (Co-CHRMN)
28	723-8862	BROWN,	DELMA
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16	526-4281 Ext ~~208~~ EX1312	Delaney, Joan	
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18		Nelson, Joyce	
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20	723-6193	HENRY,	BOB
21	622-5040	MYERS,	RICK
22	473-3844	NELSON,	JOYCE
23	774-4195	SCHUNIOR,	TILLI
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25	862-1763	CLARK,	WILL
26	774-4195	GATLIN,	CAROL
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Fenton – 5/2/75 asked Pr. Stahl, housing conf.; Ellenberg

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MAYOR'S COMMITTEE FOR THE HANDICAPPED

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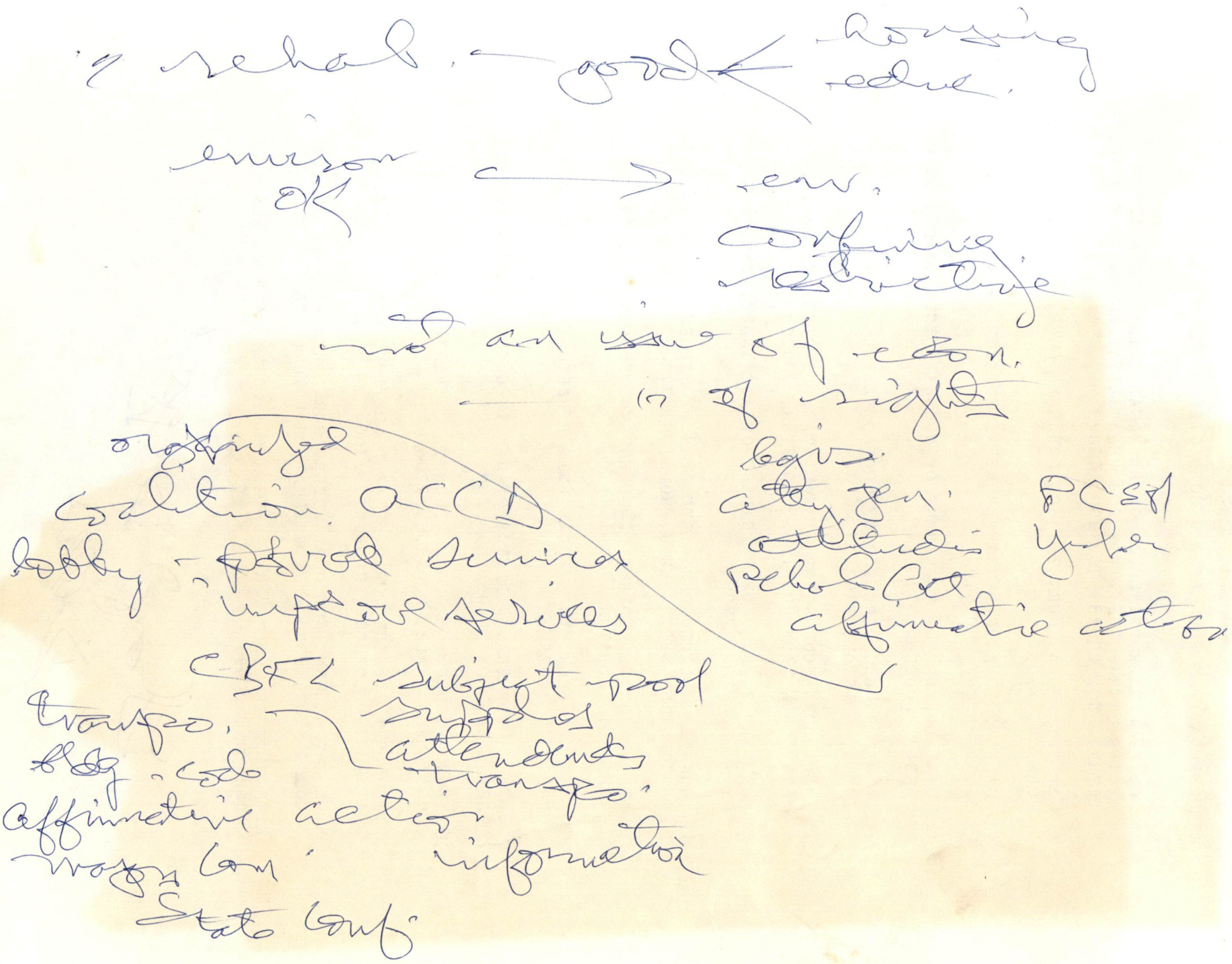
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Floyd Dugger
Dallas 1967



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HANDICAPPED STAGE BUS PROTEST

About 50 handicapped persons, representing the Coalition for Barrier-Free Living, attempt to board city-owned HouTran buses Saturday in front of City Hall. The protest was to show the difficulties the handicapped have in riding buses. The group has complained because the city's new buses do not have wheelchair lifts. Tom Niskala, director of planning and marketing research for the bus system, said the city asked for bids Friday for six ramp-equipped buses with lifts. The coalition wants all buses equipped with lifts. The protest was staged as the city offered free rides all day Saturday to acquaint Houstonians with the City's 100 new buses. Officials estimated that three times the normal 20,000 Saturday passengers took advantage of the free rides.

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A speed bump fails to stop Will Clark, returning to his apartment from the mail box. But two "needless" steps at the mail box did stop him.



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A wheelchair arm rest gets Clark a loaf of bread. He had to go about a mile to find a store where curbs or steps didn't block entrance to the store. "There's always something I can't reach, but somebody will always help," says the paraplegic who prefers not to ask help.



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But, too, the 22-year-old from Kahouka, Mo., says he "left the metropolis of 2,200 because my wheelchair couldn't get good traction in the snow.

"I try to make jokes. Sitting around and feeling sorry for yourself, you're gonna get bummed out," says the young man who has earned his purple belt in karate from a wheelchair. He's been a karate student only a few months, but he's teaching handicapped friends, informally, self-defense tactics he's learned. "Next week I'll give a self-defense demonstration to people in wheelchairs at TIRR (Texas Institute for Rehabilitation & Research).

"I've been completely confined to a wheelchair for 14 months. I was thrown out of the car in an auto accident near home. I didn't graduate from college.

"I went two years and dropped out to get a job to buy the car I had the accident in," Clark says. "I came to TIRR for a rehabilitation reevaluation and decided I wanted to come here to study and live."

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A former varsity high school athlete who says his disability "is a challenge—I make everything a challenge of myself," Clark is full of pride in his independence.

"They say after you're rehabilitated that you're independent, but to me being independent is not having to ask for help." And already he's having to ask.

A new home means new barriers and anger over a world full of steps and curbs. He can't reach his mailbox, the club in his complex or the nearest drive-in grocery because of steps.

An Evel Knievel in a wheelchair, he can hurdle over curbs up to four inches high. "All my mobility is in my arms," says the man with a muscled upper torso. Bigger curbs bring anger.

"I always try to say something, especially when there's a crowd," Clark says. "Like I went with two other people to a Galveston steak house, and they got me over the one little curb blocking my entrance.

"They always notice you when you're handicapped and asked me how the food and service was. I said the service was fine, but you need a ramp at the entrance."

One of the first things the new arrival did was join the newly formed Coalition for Barrier-Free Living. "I've found people to share fighting the problems I faced alone back home."

The coalition was organized in April, says Mary Lou Clayton, vice president, "to fight some of the fights we've been losing as individual voices crying in the wilderness."

The membership turned out June 1 for a wheelchair protest at city hall. Not one of Houston:s buses has a lift to accommodate the 10,000-12,000 Houstonians confined to wheelchairs, says Joe Villareal, coalition president.

The organization has committees on architectural barriers, consumer and medical services, employment, housing, legislation, transportation and public relations.

Villareal says one of the first objectives is to complete a guidebook to Houston for the handicapped—a guide to the back doors and side doors, where you can go in a wheelchair and where you can't.

Nita Weil, head of TIRR volunteers, is working on the booklet and sending copies of state and national architectural standards to builders in hope of preventing future erection of "thoughtless barriers."

Weil lists grievances against the Alley Theater, Houston Music Theater, Greenway Plaza and the Astrodome. But inadequate seating or buildings inaccessible from parking areas are widespread.

"An enormous number of barriers exist everywhere," says Clayton. "I can't even go over to Baylor to have a checkup—a college of medicine, mind you—it doesn't have to be the Galleria not to be able to get into the toilet."

Clark has all this to discover, but is sure it will be much the same as back home "only there's a lot of concrete here."

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Clark says many handicapped people, given adequate transportation, could get needed training and jobs, which would remove them from public assistance rolls.

"I'm proud of this organization. Some of this Texas pride is rubbing off on me already. We're reasonable people. Because we're handicapped we haven't lost our reason.

"But minibuses for 24 passengers isn't enough."