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March 28, 1994

Hon. Richard Riordan
Los Angeles City Hall
200 N. Spring Street 90012
Los Angeles, CA

Dear Mayor Riordan:

Today, the City of Los Angeles receives additional federal help for its earthquake recovery efforts -- and it is assistance of an unusual and important variety. For today you will join our Corporation for National Service in announcing its grants to Los Angeles service organizations, enabling Angelenos to help one another.

That is why I have long believed that national service is vital for our country: it renews the bond between responsibility and opportunity, and it creates community out of common effort. National service is the American way to change America -- block by block, and neighbor by neighbor.

Your city was shaken and disrupted by forces beyond all human control, but our response after the earthquake lies entirely within our control. People from around the world have marvelled at Angelenos' courage and resilience, and as Americans have always done in the face of challenge, provided support with their hands, their hearts and their wallets. I am proud of the quick and effective response mounted by the Federal Emergency Management Administration and other departments of our administration, working with state agencies and you and other local leaders.

As impressive as this first phase of the recovery effort has been, more is needed. The national service grants announced today will ensure that vital work continues -- and that new efforts, focused on human and physical problems caused by the quake, may begin. The Corporation for National Service will be supplying funding and know-how; some of the finest corps in the country and respected community based-organizations will ensure that the greatest needs are met; and individuals from throughout Los Angeles will provide the time, talent and commitment to get things done.

National service does that -- it gets things done, whether it is immunizing our babies, tutoring our children, cleaning up our parks, comforting our elderly or helping to make our schools and streets safer. And national service gets things done when crises strike. It was there -- and stayed there, long after the television cameras left -- when hurricanes hit Florida, when floods ravaged the Midwest, and as you have already seen, when the earth shook in Los Angeles.

Opportunity through adversity; community through service -- these are the twin strands you unite today. We look forward to continuing this vital work with you.



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March 17, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR JOAN BAGGETT
 PAT GRIFFIN
 MARCIA HALE

FROM: RICK ALLEN

SUBJECT: NATIONAL SERVICE GRANTS

In relatively short order, the Corporation for National Service will begin making a rolling series of grants. While I will try to keep you regularly updated, this memorandum will outline type and timing.

1 Residential programs on military bases. One part of AmeriCorps is the National Civilian Community Corps, originally included by Sens. Wofford and Boren in the 1992 Defense Authorization Act as an attempt to apply military leadership to civilian service. This year, the NCCC intends to open four residential campuses on closed or down-sized military bases; each base will house 250 men and women between the ages of 18 and 24, together with supervisory staff. From these bases, the NCCC members will perform national service in the surrounding communities; although they will help meet public safety, education and human needs, the NCCC intends to have particular expertise in environmental service work.

The NCCC provided certain criteria to the DOD; from a list of bases then developed, the NCCC conducted its own field examinations.

The first base to be selected will be in Maryland at the Aberdeen Proving Ground, in Helen Bentley's Congressional District, 30 miles north of Baltimore. Senator Mikulski, as "godmother" of service, has been involved in the consideration of the base and is pleased with its selection. I am trading calls with Sen. Sarbanes, whom I will reach today to alert him. Sen. Mikulski helped to bring together a community meeting yesterday (the community was exceptionally supportive), and is taking the lead role in the announcement press conference, to be held in the Capitol on March 22. I suggest that we meet immediately after Monday's senior staff meeting to review any suggestions or concerns you may have (we would be particularly interested in any guidance you might have regarding dealing with Congresswoman Bentley). We have not yet contacted the Governor or state legislators. On the local level, the County Executive (allied with Mikulski) has been involved in developing local community support.

Other bases under prime consideration for the other three campuses include the Charleston, South Carolina Naval base; Denver's Lowry Air Force base; and the San Diego Naval base. Political implications include:

- Regarding Charleston, Mayor Riley has strongly solicited the NCCC. We want to avoid the base selection becoming entangled in his gubernatorial bid.
 - Community reaction in the Denver community adjacent to Lowry has been mixed; the Mayor is supportive and we are working with Governor Romer (a strong national service supporter).
 - San Diego has solicited the NCCC; the City Council has scheduled a vote of support (without legal impact) for the 28th of this month. There is competition in California: Mayor Jordan of San Francisco has been lobbying hard for the selection of the Presidio, despite opposition by local Bay Area corps jealous of their turf. Although we will be in direct contact with Jordan before any final announcement, Marcia may wish also to be involved. (I've talked with Emo about the California politics, and both of us feel that San Diego is an excellent hit for us.)
3. Quake relief grants: Out of the President's discretionary category in the supplemental, we will be making a total of \$2.8 million in grants to a variety of programs in the Los Angeles area. I will probably announce the grants in LA on March 29. Our minuscule government affairs office here will make sure that the Congressional delegation is notified; the announcement will be with and through the Mayor; and I've mentioned it to Emo.
 4. Summer of Safety grants: This summer program is entirely focused on crime and violence. A total of \$11.3 million will be provided to community based organizations, police departments and other law enforcement agencies, and others. The list of VISTA programs are attached (these decisions have not yet been made public). Most of the funding, however, will be in grants (probably 15 or 20 in number) to be selected before April 1 (initial staff and peer reviews are under way). Alexis had originally suggested that participants in the crime leadership meetings from those cities receiving grants be reconvened through her shop for an announcement -- unfortunately, that won't be feasible given the short time frame, but we will work with Alexis on alternatives. We will do Congressional notifications and local media announcements, and would be happy to coordinate with you to the extent desirable.

5. Year-round AmeriCorps grants: In the 45 day period from June 17 through August 3, we will be putting out approximately \$150 million in grants, in roughly equal thirds. One-third will be disbursed to states on the basis of population, to be subgranted predominantly to local non-profits selected through a competitive process. One-third will be granted by us to individual programs placed by their states into an inter-state competition (with grants to be announced on August 3). The final third of grants (to be announced on June 17) will be to applicants who have not gone through the state process: national non-profits, programs operating in more than one state, federal agencies (limited to a third of this category, or roughly one-ninth of our total money). Our greatest discretion, accordingly, is over the second- and third-thirds.

We should discuss both scheduling and process for coordinating grants announcements and the like.

cc: Alexis Herman
John Emerson
Tom Epstein

FIRST ROUND APPROVALS, S.O.S. VISTA PROJECTS 1994

<u>REGION</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>VSAs</u>
I	Fighting Back (Mayor's Office)	New Haven, CT	20
II	Newark Fighting Back New York Council of Smaller Churches	Newark, NJ New York, NY	40 20
III	Ohio Crime Prevention Assoc. Task Force on Violent Crime Children's Law Center Greater Philadelphia Federation of Settlements Hill House	Statewide, OH Cleveland, OH Covington, KY Philadelphia, PA Pittsburgh, PA	150 20 20 35 30
IV	Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence Alabama Assoc. of Housing/ Redevelopment Auth. Juvenile Services Program St. Petersburg Police Dept.	Statewide, AL Statewide, AL Statewide, FL Petersburg, FL	20 20+10 c/s 48 30
V	Chicago Alliance for Neighborhood Safety Project for Pride in Living City of Lansing Detroit Public Housing Dept. Horace Mann-Ambridge Neighborhood Organization	Chicago, IL Minneapolis/ St. Paul, MN Lansing, MI Detroit, MI Gary, IN	20 24 30 50 20
VI	NE Arkansas Council on Family Violence Community Development Corp.	Statewide, AR Kansas City, MO	20 20
VIII	Denvers Mayors Commission	Denver, CO	35
X	Leaders Roundtable (P.A.L.) Fremont Public Associations	Portland, OR Seattle, WA	35 58

TOTALS

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Projects: 22

Associates: 765