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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 29, 1999



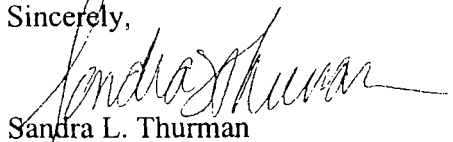
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President Clinton asked me to respond to your letter in which you ask for funding to initiate an HIV prevention program in Memphis, Tennessee.

Please be advised that this office does not provide direct funding to any organization. You may want to contact the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Information Network, toll-free, at 1-800-458-5231. They should have a listing of organizations and funding sources operating in the Memphis area, in particular your local health department and the name of the state AIDS coordinator. Each of these organizations should be able to provide you with additional information on potential funding sources.

I wish you success in your efforts to develop a prevention program in Memphis. Thank you for your continuing dedication to ending this epidemic.

Sincerely,

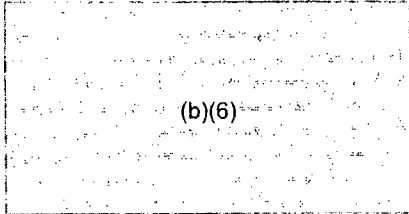


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Director

Office of National AIDS Policy

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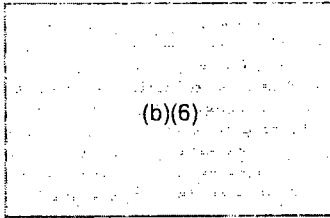
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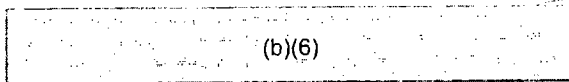
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~~Please note that for the most part individuals are rarely provided funding. Rather, nonprofit community-based organizations are the usual recipient of funding to implement prevention programs.~~

I wish you success in your efforts to develop a prevention program in Memphis. <sup>Efforts such as</sup> ~~yours will help end this epidemic.~~ *Continue to fight. Thank you for your continuing dedication to ending this epidemic.*

Sincerely,

Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

22 Jan 99  
DATE

MEMORANDUM

FOR:

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FROM:

SUE J. SMITH  
DIRECTOR, AGENCY LIAISON

SUBJECT:

REFERRAL OF CASEWORK

I am forwarding the attached letter to your office for appropriate action. Please send us a copy of your written response or your telephone report along with the writer's original correspondence and envelope to the following address:

Ms. Sue J. Smith  
Director, Agency Liaison  
Room 6, OEOB  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20502

If you have any questions, call my office at 202/456-7486.

Thank you for your help.

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January 16<sup>th</sup>, 1999

Office of the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Honorable William Jefferson Clinton:

I am writing to request your assistance, guidance, and personal intervention in securing a grant funding for my HIV/AIDS prevention project here in Memphis.

The purpose of said project is to provide educational seminars and counseling to enhance the awareness of this devastating disease. It is my objective and intention is to provide such services to inmates and homeless populace.

I am confident that I will be successful in this noble endeavor because my life was changed when I discovered several years ago I was HIV positive.

I can be most effective to communicate HIV prevention. I am a living witness to this fact.

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Once again I would appreciate  
your assistance in securing funding to  
start this life saving project

Respectfully yours,

(b)(6)

[001c]

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 21, 1999

Ms. Dorothy A. Means  
460 South Cody Court  
Lakewood, Colorado 80226

Dear Ms. Means:

Thank you for your letter expressing your views on the Administration's efforts to ensure that people with HIV/AIDS are able to live long productive lives, including being able to work.

This Administration is committed to ensuring that people living with HIV and AIDS are integrated into all segments of society. We must develop creative options to address the unique needs of people living with HIV, including developing policies which allow for flexible work hours, providing retraining, addressing privacy concerns, and ensuring adequate income levels.

This Administration will take the very complex concerns raised in your letter into account as we continue to develop options which allow for people living with HIV to continue to contribute to society in a productive manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Sandra L. Thurman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy

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The issues you raised in your letter are valid and complex. This Administration will take them into account as we continue to develop options which allow for people with HIV to continue to contribute to society in a productive manner.

Sincerely,

Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

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Please proof-read for spelling, grammar + style.  
Print on WH stat.  
& give back to me.  
Not urgent.  
Thanks!  
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OFFICE OF NATIONAL AIDS POLICY  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20500

December 1, 1998

ATTENTION: SANDRA L. THURMAN, DIRECTOR

Our local newspaper, ROCKY MOUNTAIN NEWS, on November 30, ran the following headline and a column by Robert Pear of the NEW YORK TIMES:

"CLINTON TO EXPAND MEDICARE, MEDICAID".  
Sounds wonderful -but they are forgetting one thing. Allowing disabled persons to keep their Medicaid/Medicare benefits is a GREAT comfort, when they return to the work force. -but many of them MUST also keep their Social Security payments and or SSI benefits.

A great many of the disabled would love to be able to work - part time - at something. To feel useful again. To go out into the workplace on a daily basis, or to work at home. But if they DO, they lose their SSI.

Most of these people have been out of the work force for years - (in my daughter's case for 15 years). IF they are able to go back to work at all, they might NOT be able to work a full day. And they WILL lose their subsistence. And even if they CAN work an 8-hour day, they will probably be earning a minimal salary which would not compensate them enough to survive without SSI.

Employers (in spite of the ADA) will not welcome them with open arms. Employers will be concerned about "down" time - about their not being able to produce profitably, about scheduling around their particular needs, about how long, realistically they WILL be able to work, and about dozens of other things.

But the biggest problem of all is the loss of their subsistence - they can not survive without it! Let us not hold out the carrot of continued medical benefits without also allowing them to have a minimal standard of living.

Sincerely,

DOROTHY A. MEANS  
440 South Cody Court  
Lakewood, CO 80226  
303-987-3808

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 5, 1999

Kellie Gibbs  
via fax

Dear Ms. Gibbs:

It was wonderful talking with you the other day. I am so happy to hear that Vyvx/Teleport is working with you on your film project. It is essential that we continue to build partnerships between private and public sectors in combating the HIV/AIDS epidemic, especially in Africa and other developing countries where the impact of such a collaboration is so highly beneficial.

I am leaving for Africa on January 24th, but will be back in Washington on the 7th of February. I hope we have the opportunity to get together upon my return so that I can catch up on the film's progress.

Sincerely,

  
Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy