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FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

For period ending December 31, 1973 Program Director: Alison K. Gilbert



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CHILDREN'S BAPTIST HOME
7715 SOUTH VICTORIA AVENUE
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Children's Baptist Home founded in 1931, is a specialized treatment center caring for children with emotional problems ranging in age from 6 to 12 years. The Home is licensed by the State of California Department of Social Welfare to care for 90 children in residence on a spacious campus consisting of 9½ acres of land. Most of the 90 boys and girls who live at the Home are dependent children who need a home and loving care and understanding. They come from broken and unhappy homes, from experience of anger and frustration, bitterness and rejection, insecurity and sometime cruelty. Most are referred by the Department of Public Social Service, by the courts, by ministers and sometimes by helpless parents. Psychiatrists and Social Workers give professional guidance to each child during his or her stay at the Home. Each child receives individual attention and care and is taught how to live in the presence of others and be a part of a wholesome group.

CONVENT OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
1500 SOUTH ARLINGTON AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90019

Mother Mary Jeanette,
Executive Director

Mother John
Dean of Girls

The Convent of the Good Shepherd is a closed residential setting, psychiatrically oriented for the care and treatment of emotionally and behaviorally disturbed teenage girls, who are within the range of normal, educable intelligence, but who are unable to adjust satisfactorily living at home and in the open community. It is under the administration and direct

supervision of the Sisters of the Convent of the Good Shepherd, a Catholic Religious Order founded in Angers, France in 1829; in the United States in 1843, and in Los Angeles, California in 1904. Throughout the world the Sisters of the Good Shepherd care for girls with problems. In the United States the Sisters of the Good Shepherd focus on the care of teenage girls with special needs who are placed by the Juvenile Courts and Welfare Agencies.

The treatment program uses a team approach and is specifically structured to motivate behavioral change, emotional growth, moral value, and educational progress. These goals are accomplished through the supervision and direct services of a multi-disciplined professional staff; a behavioral modification orientation house program; professional staff; an accredited Junior and Senior High School; twenty-four hour supervision; a planned recreational program; individual group and family therapy; a Foster Grandparent Program; and for the preparation of the girl's return to open community life on an individual basis.

FOUNDATION FOR THE JUNIOR BLIND
5300 ANGELES VISTA BLVD.
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90043

Norman Kaplan
Executive Director

Bill Young
Principal, Special Education Program

The Foundation for the Junior Blind is a non-profit organization, started in 1953 by Mr. & Mrs. Norman Kaplan. The Foundation is alone in Southern California and unique in the entire country in offering a year-round program of special education, recreation and social development to all blind children from 6 to 21 years of age. With such assistance, a blind youngster can be prepared to meet society on an equal footing with their sighted contemporaries. There are no restrictions as to race or creed. The Foundation is supported entirely by voluntary contributions. All of the facilities and activities are available to all blind children without a fee of any kind ever charged the children or their parents. Since their inception in 1953 their roster has grown from 15 children to over 700.

COMMUNITY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
AGENCY/STATE PRE-SCHOOL HEAD START
BY: Frankie D. Veale, Child Development
Supervisor

The Community Youth Development Agency State Pre-School Head Start Program has been under the direction of Columbus D. Batiste, Project Director since June 1965. The Agency provides services to three hundred families with emphasis on the growth and development of pre-school age children from low socio-economic backgrounds.

The Agency provides services to eight centers located in areas of Cudahy, Gardena, Los Angeles, San Pedro, South Gate and Wilmington.

Services provided by the agency includes complete services for all Head Start Children and their families. In the area of Child Development, the program is based on the open education approach to learning. We have found that this method works best for our pre-schoolers. In Social Services, the social worker for the Pepperdine Center, Miss Annie Noble provides counseling, consumer education, emergency food, clothing and housing. The social workers seeks to bring about mutual relationships between the family, the community, and the child development center. The Nutrition Department provides daily a snack and a hot lunch with special emphasis on the nutritional needs of pre-school children. The Health Services Department provides comprehensive services to Head Starters consisting of complete physicals including lab test on blood and urine, dentals, vision screening, psychological services and follow-up. Parent Involvement and Volunteer Services are concerned with the importance of parents and community volunteers to assist in volunteering in the classrooms and other components. Volunteers and parents are involved in policy making and educational workshops. The survival of the program is dependent upon the support of parents and community volunteers.

Career Development provides an opportunity for parents and staff members within all components of Head Start to improve job status and grow to maximum potential. The Director gives each staff member time off to pursue educational and career goals. The Enrollment Department is primarily concerned with the enrollment of each child. Verification of age 3.9 to 4.9 and income criteria, which is based on the Office of Child Development's (OCD) income and age guidelines.

INTER-COMMUNITY EXCEPTIONAL
CHILDREN'S HOME
2666 GRAND AVENUE
LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA 90815

Inter-Community Exceptional Children's Home is a private non-profit corporation whose sole purpose is the care of retarded and physically handicapped children. The home is a 24-hour residential facility.

Residents are placed privately, or thru other county or state agencies. Besides a nursing department, the home provides educational, social, vocational and recreational programs.

Inter-Community Exceptional Children's Home has adopted, and relentlessly pursues, the philosophy of providing the best possible care for each resident. The rehabilitation program is designed to train each child to achieve his or her maximum potential.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. GENERAL
HOSPITAL - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
12021 SOUTH WILMINGTON AVENUE
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90059

Melvin Fleming,
Administrator

Ms. Bernadette Bowman,
Volunteer Coordinator

Opened for patient care on March 27, 1972, - Martin Luther King, Jr. General Hospital became the first community hospital in the Los Angeles County Hospital system. It is unique in that a private physician can treat a private patient in the hospital.

The hospital units, referred to as wards in other hospitals, are limited to four bed units, two bed units and one bed units.

At present, close to 6000 people a week are served through the hospital's outpatient, walk-in, and emergency services. All patients are admitted first, according to medical needs and secondly, on their ability to pay.

SPASTIC CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
1307 WEST 105TH STREET
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90044

Mrs. Ann Wendt,
Executive Director

Stephen Bennett
Assistant Executive Director

The Spastic Children's Foundation is a private, non-profit agency serving children and adults in residential training programs and provides a referral service for the community. No child is too handicapped and no family is too poor to receive services from Spastic Children's Foundation. Through donations and cooperation with community programs, the Spastic Children's Foundation tries to offer the highest quality of care and training to as many people that are handicapped as possible with an emphasis on the quality of life for each individual.

F O S T E R G R A N D P A R E N T SC H I L D R E N ' S B A P T I S T H O M E

Wilma Nelson	Jessie Turner
Mary Hardy	Irma Christman
Albert Janousek	Floyd Buckner
Linda Smith	Marguerite Bowen
Olga Walsh	Isabella McLin

C O N V E N T O F T H E G O O D S H E P H E R D

Stella Catania	Virginia Harris
Paul Genge	Eva Luttrell
Celia Simonett	Ann Turner
Minna K. Berlow	

F O U N D A T I O N F O R T H E J U N I O R B L I N D

Ada Bresslau	Elenore Waldman
Inez Lewis	Addie M. Hawkins
Eula Battles	Gladys Peyton
Morris Mobile	Augustine Green
Evelyn Parks	Julia Yeldell

H E A D S T A R T - A L P H A

Octavia Jones	Martha Lewis
Myrtle Mosley	Beatrice Scott
Celia Washington	

H E A D S T A R T - P E P P E R D I N E

Octavia Bryant	Margie Neuschwander
Willie Dawson	Leonore Watters
Pearl Williams	

INTER-COMMUNITY EXCEPTIONAL
CHILDREN'S HOME

Alice Smallwood	Suzanne Risher
Edna Puckett	Anna Fredricksen
Margaret McDonald	Carroll Cook
Fay Kimball	Syble Burton
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Ina Bell White	Nella Schiefer
Florence Rodin	Dorothy A. Boyer
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Esther Nelson	Mary McCloskey
Marie Rivas	

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Mary Gardette	Burma Anderson
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Aline Ashley	John H. McDonald
Lizzie Cooley	Paula Rivera
Pearl Collins	Oree Armster
Clara Copeland	

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John Troutman	Leavender Jefferson
Essie V. Janis	Bessye M. Lewis
Helen Henry	Emma Howard
Leah Berkowitz	Pauline Ponder
Leon Williams	Ruby McDaniels
Clarence Jones	Gussie Thomas
Dorothey Brown	Catherine Bowman
Hannah Mitchell	Fred Ross
Ethel Money	Eva Greenbaum
Elizabeth Franklin	Surretha Granberry
Edmonia L. Lockett	Elizabeth Stewart
Teresa Bradford	Alma Ford
Emma Goodson	

GOALS AND
OBJECTIVES

PART I Goals and Objectives:

The report period being covered has displayed much evidence of the success of Pepperdine University's Foster Grandparent Program in keeping with goals and objectives as stated in grant proposal:

A. Not only has the South Los Angeles Foster Grandparent Program met the need for creative and fulfilling community outlets for the elderly in South Los Angeles County, - it has also helped to provide "access" for its elderly minority members. These persons, of which comprise approximately two-thirds of the program, have been provided "access" to many additional services and programs available to them but that they were unaware of. During the past six months a large number of our grandparents have participated in:

- 1 - "The Older Adult in Today's Society" - class offered at Pepperdine University.
- 2 - Long Beach Heart Association Pilot Coronary Risk Factor Screening Program.
- 3 - Nutrition classes - Martin Luther King Jr. General Hospital.
- 4 - Spanish classes - Martin Luther King Jr. General Hospital.
- 5 - Lectures for senior citizens to alert them to the legal aspects of issues with special impact on their lives.
- 6 - Training conducted by the National Senior Citizen Law Center in para-legal interviewing and screening.
- 7 - Representation on the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee of United Way's Project on Aging.

In addition, the many grandparents who reside in South-Central Los Angeles, a predominantly low-income black area including Watts, have been provided the opportunity to gain a positive self-image through service in their own communities. The stipend added to their extremely small incomes have helped them to become more financially independent of public assistance and has enabled them to better meet their nutritional and health needs. As stated by one grandparent for the grant proposal:

"Not to be overlooked, however, the stipend helps me to be less dependent on others. The nutritious, delicious meals we receive each day assist me in obtaining a balanced diet which I had not been able to do previous to my employment."

B. The South Los Angeles Foster Grandparent Program has been successful in working closely with University Year for Action Volunteers assigned to Spastic Children's Foundation.

Twenty-five grandparents and six UYA volunteers demonstrate their ability to cooperate with one another and their assigned children through participation in:

A. Swimming Program

B. Presentation of a program in which both groups, accompanied by their children, spoke about their roles and presented slides.

C. New volunteers are instructed and placed by UYA students in working with foster grandparents and their children.

D. Foster Grandparents and Spastic Children's Foundation's Junior Board of Governors, of which UYA students are a part, are planning an annual fund raising project. Last year's project resulted in the funding of one UYA student and the 1974 project will, if successful, provide for one year's funding of a foster grandparent.

In addition, a UYA volunteer is coordinating a Senior Service Center out of the Foster Grandparent Program Office utilizing the service of trained grandparents as interviewers and screeners. These grandparents will volunteer their services once a month, in addition to their regular grandparent duties. The center will serve seniors having problems that they have been unable to solve. Activities of the center may entail contacting appropriate agencies, locating the right agency for their particular need and seeking to insure the responsiveness of agencies and programs handling senior citizens affairs (flyer attached).

The University year for Action office and the Foster Grandparent Program office are sharing the volunteer service of a retired accountant and work closely on matters of concern and interest to both volunteer groups.

C. Pepperdine University has been unique in its technical assistance given to planning and implementation of the Foster Grandparent Program due to the enormous amount of available resources on the campus.

SENIOR CITIZEN DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM?

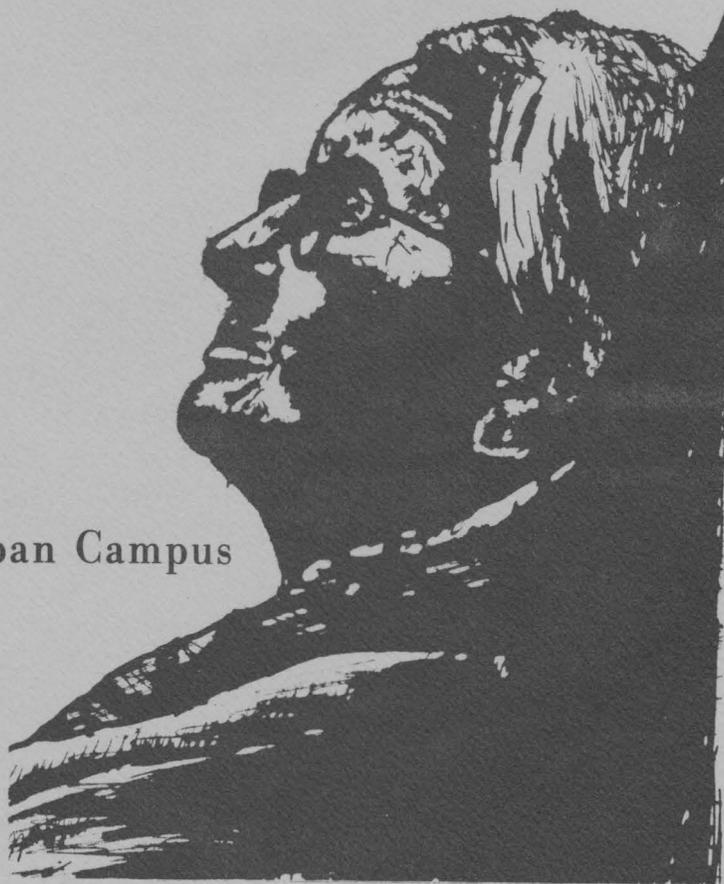
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1034 West 78th St.
Tuesdays and Thursdays
12:30 P.M. until 4:30 P.M.
PHONE: (213) 971-7546

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University Year for Action
Foster Grandparent Program

COORDNATOR: Claudia Curry



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SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICE CENTER

PROBLEM

There is no agency in the south central and southwestern sections of Los Angeles which addresses itself to the multiplicity of problems (legal, consumer, welfare, medical) faced by senior citizens. According to the 1970 census there are 12,722 seniors, of which 15%, or 1,908 are listed as being below the national poverty level. (It can be assumed that many of the remaining 10,814 are financially unable to enlist personal lawyers etc., even through they are not listed as below poverty level.)

PLANNED IMPACT

At present, only 6% of the clients served by legal aid offices in the target area are seniors. The Senior Citizen Service Center will raise this to 25% within a 12 month period.

Planned impact will also be to provide an agency for senior citizens (there are no such agencies serving the target area) where they can get referral information and necessary help in dealing with a variety of governmental and private agencies which exist in the community for their benefit (i.e. OAS, DPSS, hospitals, convalescence homes, consumer affairs, legal aids, etc.)

Planned impact will be to provide referral information and counselling to as many of the 12,722 senior citizens in the target area as possible.

HOW TO ACHIEVE PLANNED IMPACT

Planned impact will be achieved through the services of Foster Grandparents who will do intake interviews to determine the senior citizens' problems. After the problem has been determined the Foster Grandparent will make a referral to the appropriate agency. The UYA volunteer will give assistance regarding referrals, etc. when requested by the Foster Grandparent.

ROLE OF THE UYA VOLUNTEER

1. To inform the public of the services of the Senior Citizens Service Center. (Flyers are printed and will be distributed by the end of December.)
2. Establish contacts with all pertinent agencies. (Contacts have already been established with Social Security and DPSS.)
3. Provide assistance regarding referrals, contacts, forms, etc. when requested by the Foster Grandparent.

MEASUREMENT OF PERFORMANCE

The legal aid offices are the only agency in the area that begins to meet the problems faced by senior citizens (they only deal with legal problems). In the target area, only 6% of legal aid clients are senior citizens. Senior Citizens Service Center will raise this to 25% within a one year period.

INSTITUTIONALIZATION

The UYA volunteer working on this project has been involved in beginning and coordinating the various aspects of the Senior Citizen Service Center. It is felt that after she has been with the agency for one year it will be possible for the Foster Grandparents to continue this program on their own.

PUBLICITY

PART IIPublicity:

The South Los Angeles Foster Grandparent Program has the distinction of having the country's oldest foster grandparent, 104 yr. old Pearl Williams. As a result, we were asked by Mr. Don Stewart, Communications Director for Peace Corps/Vista to participate in the publicizing of "21 Days of Action."

Television appearances arranged for Mrs. Williams included:

- 1 - Ralph Story A.M. Show
- 2 - Noontime - 2 appearances
- 3 - Ben Hunter Interview Show

These appearances caused quite a reaction and many wonderful things have developed for Mrs. Williams. She has participated in the following:

- 1 - Girl In My Life T.V. Show - Given an all-expense round trip for two to her home town, Alabama, grandfather clock and a rocking chair.
- 2 - Named honorary queen of Compton, California's First Annual Senior Citizen's Queen Pageant.
- 3 - The Joker Is Wild T.V. Quiz Show
- 4 - Johnny Grant T.V. Show.
- 5 - Just Natural T.V. Show
- 6 - Visited at her home by Academy Award nominee Cicely Tyson who will be using Mrs. Williams as a model for her starring role as a 110 yr. old woman.

All of the above publicity has drawn attention to the South Los Angeles Foster Grandparent Program. As a result many agencies have been calling in search of grandparents for their program as well as seniors wanting to participate.

WHAT IS THE FOSTER GRAND-PARENT PROGRAM?

Funded by ACTION (the federal citizens service corps). The Foster Grandparent Program was established by the Urban Campus of Pepperdine University to provide older adults with a useful way to serve their communities in the retirement years and to give them the satisfaction that comes from being needed and serving others.

WHERE AND WHEN DO FOSTER GRANDPARENTS SERVE?

Foster Grandparents serve five days per week, four hours per day in seven institutions serving mentally retarded, physically disabled, emotionally disturbed and behaviorally disturbed children:

CHILDREN'S BAPTIST HOME —
Inglewood

CONVENT OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD
— Los Angeles

FOUNDATION FOR THE JUNIOR
BLIND — Los Angeles

INTERCOMMUNITY EXCEPTIONAL
CHILDREN'S HOME — Long Beach

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
GENERAL HOSPITAL — Los Angeles

SPASTIC CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION
— Los Angeles

WILLOWS RESIDENT SCHOOL AND
DAY CENTER — Compton



Country's oldest FGP, 104 yr. old Pearl Williams, Foster Grandchild, Willows Resident School & Day Center, Dr. James Wilburn, Provost, Pepperdine University, Los Angeles.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Sixty years of age and over.
2. An annual income below poverty guidelines of \$2200 per year if single or \$2900 if married.
3. Good health.

BENEFITS:

1. Volunteer stipend of \$1.60 per hour.
2. Daily transportation allowance of \$1.00.
3. Annual physical examinations.
4. Daily nutritious meal.
5. Referral to recreational, educational, cultural, health and government community resources.
6. The satisfaction of being needed to serve the community.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

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Mrs. Faye Pinkett, Administrative Assistant

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PLEASE POST

Grandparents 'work miracles'

By JOHN WEATHERLY

Foster Grandparents working with 100 "troubled teenagers" at the Convent of the Good Shepard in Los Angeles, are "working miracles in the lives of the girls."

At the convent, located at Venice Blvd. and Arlington Ave., the Sisters have been working with 12 to 18-year-old wards who have committed various crimes.

Allison Gilbert, program

director, placed seven Foster Grandparents at the Convent seven months ago to see if they could be helpful to the girls.

"There aren't any limits to what the Foster Grand-

parents can teach," the Sister Esther said.

The Foster Grandparents have worked so well there is serious talk about bringing in more Foster Grandparents to benefit more girls by giving them special attention.

been at the Convent for almost two months, now. Before coming to the Convent she had been in the streets for more than a year.

"The Foster Grandparent program is fantastic," she said. "It has changed my whole outlook on life."



One girl who has spent



THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM



In addition to providing medical care to the young patients at Martin Luther King, Jr. General Hospital, the Pediatric Department also provides the patients with regularly scheduled recreational activities and their own foster grandparent.

The Foster Grandparent Program is federally funded through ACTION and administered through Pepperdine University. It offers low income senior citizens, over the age of 60 the opportunity to provide individual companionship and guidance to physically, mentally, and

PART II. A.

Pearl Williams' Day
and
Recognition Program
for
Foster Grandparents

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MAY 22 IS

"PEARL WILLIAMS DAY"

IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

LOS ANGELES--America's oldest "Foster Grandparent," Mrs. Pearl Williams of Compton, will celebrate her 104th birthday on Tuesday, May 22.

It promises to be the most exciting day in the life of Mrs. Williams, a remarkable lady who says she expects to live to be 200 years old.

Led by Kenneth Hahn, Los Angeles County Supervisors will declare May 22 "Pearl Williams Day" in ceremonies at 11:45 in the Supervisors' headquarters in 500 West Temple Street.

Mrs. Williams will be taken to the Supervisors' office from television station KHJ, where, at approximately 11:00, she will appear on "Tempo," the popular morning program conducted by Regis Philbin.

At 1 p.m., Mrs. Williams will be the guest of honor at a party to be held in Friendship Hall on the Los Angeles campus of Pepperdine University, 8035 South Vermont Avenue.

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More than 100 persons 60 years of age and older will attend the party, during which Mrs. Williams will be cited by city, state, university, and federal officials. A highlight of the party will be the presentation of a huge birthday cake which will be lighted with 104 candles.

Singer Nancy Wilson will be the mistress of ceremonies during Mrs. Williams' birthday party. Pepperdine University will be represented by Dr. James Wilburn, Provost; and Dr. Howard A. White, Executive Vice President.

Mrs. Alison Gilbert will represent the Pepperdine University Foster Grandparent office and will be joined by local, regional, and national representatives of ACTION and the Foster Grandparent Program.

As a Foster Grandparent, Mrs. Williams spends four hours daily serving two mentally retarded children at the Willows Resident School and Day Center in Compton.

"She's very agile," says Mrs. Gilbert. "Her fellow foster grandparents tell me she's just great with the children. When she attended an orientation session, all the other grandparents gave her a standing ovation. She is an inspiration to them."

Mrs. Williams was born on a farm in Jefferson County, Alabama on May 22, 1869. Reared in a religious home, she remains devoutly Christian, attending morning and evening services at least three times each week.

"Always put the Lord first and go out of your way for the other fellow," advises Mrs. Williams, who obviously enjoys her work as a Foster Grandparent.

"The kids are lovely," she says, "and they are crazy about me."

A progressive person who is said to "look no different now than she did in the 1930's," Mrs. Williams ignores the children's handicaps and treats them as if they were normal kids.

When asked about her longevity, a frequently-heard question these days, Mrs. Williams speaks of her faith in God but also admits that heredity "may have something to do with it."

One of her aunts, she says, lived to be 115 years old.

"I am going to live to be 200."

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'I'LL LIVE TO BE 200'

President Nixon, State, County
Honor Oldest Foster Grandparent

On the 37,622nd day of her life, Mrs. Pearl Williams became a celebrity.

At 9:45 that morning, a Playboy limousine arrived at her neat, modest home in Compton (Calif.) and Mrs. Williams was whisked, via freeway, to KHJ-TV in Hollywood, where Ted Myers interviewed her on the popular program, "Tempo."

On leaving the television station, Mrs. Williams was chauffeured to the Hall of Administration, where the Board of Supervisors declared this "Pearl Williams Day in Los Angeles County."

And then it was on to Pepperdine University/Los Angeles, where a party was given in Mrs. Williams' honor. During the party, for which internationally-famed singer Nancy Wilson served as Mistress of Ceremonies, Mrs. Williams:

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--Received a framed, congratulatory letter from President Richard M. Nixon and the gift of a gold brooch bearing the Presidential seal;

--Framed citations from the California State Assembly, the California State Senate, and the City of Compton;

--A telegram from Mrs. Nancy Reagan, wife of California Governor Ronald Reagan;

--Almost nine dozen red roses from Pepperdine University, a money tree from the Foster Grandparents of Martin Luther King Hospital, a cake bearing 104 candles

It was, in more familiar terms, Mrs. Pearl Williams' 104th birthday and she was being honored as the nation's oldest Foster Grandparent.

A remarkably, youthful-looking, talkative little lady who finally blew out the last of the 104 candles on her sixth attempt, Mrs. Williams devotes 20 hours weekly to two mentally-retarded children at the Willows Resident and Day Care Center.

She also arises at 5:30 daily, "does all of my cooking," attends religious services three times weekly, and attends to her hobbies.

Mrs. Williams likes to keep busy--it is one of the "secrets" of her longevity.

"My life has seemed short to me," she says, "because I've always been busy enjoying myself. I'll live to be 200."

She thoroughly enjoys her work with her foster grandchildren, Susan, 7; and Darren, 9.

During her four-hour days at the Willows Resident and

Day Care Center, Mrs. Williams pushes swings for the kids, ties their shoes, cuddles them, and teaches them.

"Kids keep you young," she says. "I don't fool with old people."

She is unimpressed with modern mothers.

"Mothers don't take much pride in teaching their children," Mrs. Williams says. "It takes time, but you got to teach children and train them. Families today don't have no rule with kids. They let the kids rule them.

"I love them, but I make them mind. Fear God and keep His commandments. If you do that, you'll always come out right."

Mrs. Williams, who has one living child of her own, 48-year-old Mrs. Betty Stafford, practices what she preaches. In addition to her lifelong religious devotion, Mrs. Williams has never smoked cigarets or drunk liquor.

Born in Jefferson County, Alabama, on May 22, 1869, Mrs. Williams was reared on a farm.

During her childhood, she says, she met the legendary outlaw, Jesse James, who bounced her on his knee when he came to the Williams home for meals.

"We were terribly poor at the time," Mrs. Williams recalls. "My father was making only 75 cents a week. But we had a happy home and there was always plenty of grits to eat. Jesse James ate grits right along with us."

During her lifetime, Mrs. Williams has traveled throughout America and had numerous other unique experiences.

In 1933, she was "a chef cook" at the Chicago World's Fair.

She once worked as a maid at the Sand Point Naval Base in Seattle.

Two years ago, she visited the Social Security Administration office in Baltimore, where she was a guest of top officials.

"I still receive letters from some of the people who work there, asking when I'm coming back," Mrs. Williams reveals.

During her Pepperdine party, Mrs. Williams also received numerous birthday cards, gifts from other foster grandparents--more than 100 of them, all at least 60 years of age attended the party--and a small plaque from Susan.

Meanwhile, she was interviewed by the press, filmed for television, and besieged with requests for autographs.

Although Mrs. Williams rarely lost the smile on her face or failed with words, she obviously was surprised and overwhelmed by the magnitude of honors bestowed upon her. More than once, small tears were seen trickling from her eyes.

Among others participating in "Pearl Williams Day" festivities at Pepperdine University were Victor Hruska, National Director of Older Americans in Action; Russell Pratt, Acting Regional Director of ACTION, parent agency of the Foster Grandparent program; Dr. James R. Wilburn, Provost, Pepperdine University, Southeast Los Angeles Foster Grandparent headquarters; and Mrs. Alison Gilbert, Director, South ~~Los Angeles~~ Los Angeles Foster Grandparent program.

Recognition Program:

Pearl Williams' Day festivities also included the awarding of certificates of appreciation to the 100 foster grandparents participating in the program by Mrs. E. Rew Bixby, Chairman, Foster Grandparent Program Community Advisory Council, Executive Director, Los Angeles Voluntary Action Center.

In addition, all grandparents were awarded certificates from State Senator Mervyn Dymally.

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PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY

Foster Grandparent Program
Presents This Certificate of Appreciation
to

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PROVOST, PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY

DIRECTOR, FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

Thursday, May 31, 1973

HERALD AMERICAN

Foster Granny Becomes 'Star' After 32,622 Days on Earth

On the 37,622nd day of her life, Mrs. Pearl Williams became a celebrity.

At 9:45 that morning, a Playboy limousine arrived at her neat, modest home in

During the party, for which internationally-famed singer Nancy Wilson served as Mistress of Ceremonies, Mrs. Williams:

—Received a framed, con-

terms, Mrs. Pearl Williams' 104th birthday and she was being honored as the nation's oldest Foster Grandparent.

A remarkably, youthful-looking, talkative little lady

myself. I'll live to be 200."

She thoroughly enjoys her work with her foster grandchildren, Susan, 7; and Darren, 9.

During her four-hour days at



Herald-Examiner photo by Michael Haering
Pearl Williams, 104, smiles as her 'adopted' grandchild, seven-year-old Susan, presents her with plaque of appreciation from Willows School and Day Center here. She is oldest foster grandparent in U.S.

AT 104, PEARL FINDS FAULTS WITH MOTHERS

Pearl Williams, America's oldest foster grandparent, has celebrated her 104th birthday at Pepperdine University, 8035 S. Vermont Ave., where she told newsmen children today are

pride in teaching their children. It takes time, but you got to teach children and train them. Families today don't have no rule with kids. They let the kids

ACTION foster grandparent program for retired senior citizens.

"Fear God and keep His commandments. If you do that

tations that included 104 red roses, a cake with a 104 lighted candles, a letter and Presidential Seal pin from President Richard Nixon, and a telegram

scroll from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

"Do unto others . . . that's what I teach the young people. You don't look for nothing if

ACTION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20525

July 23, 1973

Mrs. Alison K. Gilbert
Director
Foster Grandparent Program
Pepperdine University
8035 South Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90044

Dear Alison:

It was very thoughtful of you to forward the autographed pictures of "Pearl Williams Day", since you probably are aware that this was one of the highlights of Senior Citizens Month, and it was a great pleasure for me to be able to participate in the event.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Victor E. Hruska
Director
Older Americans Volunteer Programs

ACTION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20525

June 12, 1973

Mrs. Alison K. Gilbert
Director, Foster Grandparent Program
Pepperdine University
8035 South Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90044

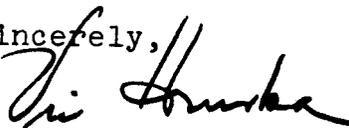
Dear Alison:

It was a real pleasure to be with you on the occasion of Pearl William's Birthday. It was a great celebration and done beautifully.

Thanks very much for following up with your letter and the information. Hope we have another occasion of this kind soon.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Victor E. Hruska
Director
Older Americans Volunteer Programs

Christmas Chapel Service
Pepperdine Malibu Campus
December 6, 1973 - 10:30 A.M.

Reported by:
Dorothey Brown, Foster Grandparent,
Spastic

Given by UYA and Foster Grandparents of Spastic Children's Foundation, with the youth and young adults of the Foundation, who arrived by large school bus built to hold the wheel chairs. Also by S.C.F. Van and private cars.

The campus is a beautiful setting nestled in the Malibu mountains over looking the Blue Pacific, with Catalina Island clearly visible in the distance.

A Christmas Sing-A-Long, slides depicting S.C.F. activities were shown. A reading of original works of Cameron Faircloth and Elissa Nadel were read by Nick Franklin, an adult resident and one of the UYA volunteers.

The question was asked "What is the One In A Million Club"? The question was explained fully by member resident Bruce McKinley.

The engaged residents of S.C.F. Marsha Osiki and Richard Dietz were introduced to the audience.

The closing song "Reach Out And Touch", was enthusiastically sung by the Foster Grandparents, the S.C.F. Residents and the UYA Volunteers. All held hands in a spirit of unity and asked the audience to also hold hands and join in singing, "Reach Out" a second time through.

The students and faculty were then invited to meet the residents, foster grandparent and UYA volunteers. There was much warmth and appreciation expressed by the audience to all.

As we left the campus, the group met artists who were showing handcraft wares for sale. This delighted the younger ones as they to are working in Arts and Crafts.

Some of our other outings the past year were: A day in Alondra Park with a picnic lunch cooked by the school supervisor. The exciting event of the outing was the landing of a fish by a child who can't hold a spoon to feed himself. The children were excited to see the Peacock spread his tail fan at the Arboretum Jazz Musical Festival held at the Hollywood Bowl. Lunch at McDonalds while seated in our specially equipped bus.

The trip to Disneyland was quite exciting. The children were surprised by having thier pictures taken with Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck. When we took the trip to the zoo, the children were able to identify and name the animals.

The excitement to all and especially the children was the visit of Lou Bulson and his band, and how the Foster Grandparents danced and entertained all.

The games in the class room were made to explain a reality when one of the children were taken for a walk and was shown the use of a clothes pen. The game of dropping the clothes pen in a bag is a common game we play. On the walk we passed a home and a nice lady was hanging up clothes and she explained to the child the use of the clothes pen which he did not know about.

The entire year for us has been a very interesting one with both work and pleasure.

Dorothey M. Brown
Foster Grandparent
Spastic Children's
Foundation

ADVISORY COUNCIL
MINUTES

PART III

ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

ATTENDANCE

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Miss Bernadette Bowman	Volunteer Coordinator Martin Luther King Jr., General Hospital 12021 South Wilmington Avenue Los Angeles, Ca. 90059	639-8550 ext. 1264
Nancy Harris	Social Worker Spastic Children Foundation 1307 West 105th Street Los Angeles, Ca. 90044	757-9361
Miss Frankie Veale	Supervisor, Child Development Community Youth Development Agency State Pre-School Headstart 2012 West Compton Blvd. Compton, Ca. 90220	774-2913
Rev. T. W. Coggs	Administrator Progressive Homes for the Elderly 7010 South Denver Los Angeles, Ca. 90044	753-3427

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Donna Bireley	Foster Grandparent (ICEXH)	
Leonorre Watters	" " (Pepperdine)	
Pearl Williams	" " "	
Eva Greenbaum	" " (Spastic)	
Burma Anderson	" " (MLK)	
Mary Hardy	" " (CBH)	
Virginia Harris	" " (Convent)	
Addie Hawkins	" " (Fdn. Jr. Blind)	

STAFF

Mrs. Alison K. Gilbert	Director
Ms. Kenna Gose	Field Supervisor
Miss Judith Gasidlo	Field Supervisor
Mrs. Faye Pinkett	Administrative Assistant

SOUTHERN LOS ANGELES
FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM,
PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 1973
9:30 A. M.
PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY,
PRESIDENT'S DINING ROOM

AGENDA

- Welcome Mrs. E. Rew Bixby,
Chairman
- Introduction of New Staff Alison K. Gilbert
- Reports Foster Grandparents
- Committee Reports
- Host Institution Review Committee --
 Leon Harper
- Annual Income Review Committee --
 Mrs. Alpha Williams
- Program Report Alison K. Gilbert
- Pearl Williams' Day Alison K. Gilbert
& Recognition Program Mrs. Ida Lewis,
Chairwoman, Special
Events Committee
- L. A. County Dept. of Senior
Citizens Affairs
Model Neighborhoods
Foster Grandparent Program Leon Harper,
Director

Pepperdine University

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1973
9:30 A.M.

AGENDA

- Welcome Mrs. E. Rew Bixby,
Chairman
- Director's Report Mrs. Alison K. Gilbert
 - New Action Goals
 - New Action Policies
 - Program Changes
- Reports Host Institution,
Martin Luther King Jr.
General Hospital -
Ms. Bernadette Bowman,
Volunteer Coordinator
 - Foster Grandparents
- Christmas Open House Mrs. Ida Lewis
Chairman,
Special Events
Committee
- Study Committee Mrs. E. Rew Bixby
- FGP Film "Their Special Needs"

Pepperdine University

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 27, 1973
9:30 A.M.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by acting chairman, Leon Harper at 9:35 A.M.

Introduction of New staff member, Judy Gasidlo, Field Supervisor.

Reports given by Foster Grandparents on their activities at their assigned institutions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

I. HOST INSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE

Leon Harper and Oda Regins visited The Willows Resident School and Martin Luther King Jr. General Hospital. Mr Harper reported that they were very pleased and satisfied with what they observed at the institutions and with those persons with whom they spoke, --both Foster Grandparents and institutional staff.

II. ANNUAL INCOME REVIEW COMMITTEE

Mrs. Alpha Williams reported that she and Mrs. Dimples Lewis had reviewed and approved 37 annual income forms. A future meeting for continuing the reviews to be scheduled.

Mrs. Gilbert thanked everyone for participating on the Advisory Council.

She reported that our second year Action Continuation budget had been approved for June 1, 1973 to June 1, 1974 in the amount \$254,289.00.

Program Evaluation

Mrs. Gilbert Stated that the program was evaluated on June 12, 1973 by Miss Vasquez of Vasquez and Association. Miss Vasquez was taken to Spastic Children's Foundation and Martin Luther King Jr. General Hospital where she observed grandparents at work, met with institutional staff and FGP Advisory Council members. It was Mrs. Gilbert's feeling that the evaluation was quite successful.

Pearl Williams Day & Recognition Program for Foster Grandparents

On May 22, 1973 Pearl Williams celebrated her 104th birthday. The day was officially declared " Pearl Williams Day" by Kenneth Hahn, Los Angeles County Supervisor.

The day began for Mrs. Williams with a Chauffeured Playboy Limosine taking her to an early morning appearance on TEMPO--KHJ--TV. She was next taken to the County Board of Supervisors meeting where she was presented a resolution. From there she was taken to Pepperdine University where she was presented 104 roses and a huge cake by Dr. James K. Wilburn, Provost, Pepperdine University.

Victor Hruska, Action National Director ~~██████████~~ for Older American Volunteer Programs Presented Mrs. Williams with a broach and framed letter from President Richard Nixon.

Mrs. Williams also received certificates from Compton Mayor Dollarhide and State Senator Mervyn Dymally in addition to a plaque from the Willows Resident School and Day Care Center.

The afternoon also included the awarding of certificates of appreciation to all of the foster grandparents from The Foster Grandparent Program and State Senator Mervyn Dymally. One of the foster grandparents stated at the meeting that she had just gotten out of the hospital and the certificate proved quite a lift to her.

Mr. Harper reported on the Model Neighborhood Foster Grandparent Program located at 13013 South Avalon. They try to address the total spectrum of senior citizen problems. The grandparents are paid at a rate of \$2.10 per hour and work with two children per grandparent.

Their purpose: (1) depressed area - low income (2) provide employment and source of income for senior citizen (3) provide service to mental retarded children. Funding comes from Federal government and model neighborhood. Parents are directly involved with planning activities and they have to be cooperative. The program can operate in other ways without being restricted. The children range from ages 8-15.

Meeting adjourn at 11:30 A. M.

Foster Grandparent Program
 Advisory Council Meeting
 Tuesday, November 20, 1973
 9:30 A.M.

MINUTES

Present: Addie M. Hawkins, Ida Lewis, Kay Bixby, Bernadette Bowman, Leon Harper, Shirley A. Lockery, Rubie E. McClure, Leonore Watters, Pearl Williams, Eva Greenbaum, Burma Anderson, Hazel Hunt, Zane Reeves, Alpha Williams, Nate Allen, Lois Byrd, Mary Hardy, Alison K. Gilbert, Kenna Gose, Faye Pinkett.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Mrs. E. Rew Bixby.

Introduction of council members.

Director's Report:

Mrs. Alison K. Gilbert attended the annual ACTION conference for Foster Grandparent Program Directors held in San Diego Nov. 6 - 9th.

Emphasis of the conference was on Dr. Michael J. Balzano, newly appointed ACTION Director and his six new goals and directions (copies of goals distributed). The main concern of ACTION now seems to be to have each program gain the support of all segments of the community, financially and in the design and operation of programs. A great deal of emphasis was placed on increasing financial support.

Mrs. Gilbert stated that the program has begun to utilize citizen participation. Mr. Hugh Sahlie, retired accountant, has volunteered to assist the program with its bookkeeping procedures. In addition, R.S.V.P. volunteers from the South - Central Voluntary Action Center have been serving as receptionists for the office.

Also discussed at the FGP Directors Conference was the fact that the increases in social security and the new Supplemental Security Income Program will disqualify almost 50% of the grandparents in the entire region due to the very low poverty guidelines. As a result of this discussion, a letter was drafted and sent to Dr. Balzano addressing this problem and signed by all of the directors in attendance.

Mrs. Kay Bixby, Chairman, introduced a motion that a study committee be formed to explore methods of fund raising. This committee to meet after the first of the year.

Host Institution Report:

Ms. Bernadette Bowman, Volunteer Coordinator, Martin Luther King Jr. General Hospital stated that the grandparents have become an essential part of the hospital's operation and are indispensable to the Pediatric Unit.

Christmas Open House:

Mrs. Ida Lewis, Special Events Chairman, announced that this year's Christmas program will be an open house held at the Office of the Provost, formerly the President's home, on Friday, Dec. 14, 1973 12:00 - 3:00 P.M. Mayor Thomas Bradley has been invited but due to an out of town conference will be unable to attend. We hope to have a representative from his office. Entertainment will be provided by the San Fernando Valley High School Christian Youth Group. Donations for the event thus far received:

1. Safeway Stores - 5 - \$5.00 gift certificates
2. Boy's Market \$5.00 gift "
3. Alpha Beta Acme Markets \$25.00
4. Ralph's Markets- 3 -12 lb. turkey gift orders.
5. Hughes Markets - \$10.00 gift certificate
6. Zody's - \$10.00 " "

FGP film "Their Special Needs" shown.

Meeting adjourned 11:30 A.M.

November 9, 1973

Dr. Michael Balzano
Director/ACTION
806 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20525

Dear Dr. Balzano:

We, the Foster Grandparent Program Directors of Region IX, during our recently held annual conference, agreed that the following items are in need of your immediate attention to enable us to better serve the volunteers and the community in accordance with ACTION's new goals.

Foster Grandparent Program Eligibility Guidelines

In Region IX, which includes the States of California, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii, we have found that OEO poverty guidelines are unrealistically low due to the high cost of living substantiated by a cost of living survey taken of foster grandparents in our Region (copy attached). This survey revealed that the majority of volunteers participating in our programs are operating at a deficit. In addition, the increase in social security and implementation of the 1974 Supplemental Security Income Program will force the dismissal of approximately 50% of the volunteers currently serving due to the present eligibility guidelines, thus eliminating an enormous portion of the intended community.

We urge your consideration of a more realistic income eligibility guideline. We have found in our Region that a single person having an annual income below \$3,000 is definitely living under poverty conditions and should be a portion of the community eligible to participate in the Foster Grandparent Program.

We also find problems with the present Foster Grandparent Program budget outlines instituted in 1965.

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- A. Meals - the current maximum allowable is 95¢ per meal per foster grandparent. However, the true cost of an institutional meal is at least \$1.35.
- B. Physical Exams - the current maximum allowable is \$35.00 per foster grandparent. The actual documented cost in Region IX is \$60.00 or more.

In keeping with ACTION's present policy of increasing community support our current budgets do not allow us to reflect the true contributions of the community. This is a result of ACTION's policy of requiring that 80% of the total budget must be direct benefits to the foster grandparents.

We would also like to suggest that the consultant and contract services presently an administrative cost be changed to a direct benefit to foster grandparents.

The items outlined above reflect the immediate concerns of the communities and advisory councils of all Region IX Foster Grandparent Programs.

We believe in your six new goals for ACTION. However, these new goals and directions lead us to believe that the problems described above are inconsistent with your expressed concern for the elderly poor and those citizens who are rapidly being forced into poverty.

We appreciate your prompt attention to these matters to enable us to successfully serve our respective communities.

Sincerely,

J. J. Pye

Alisa K. Gilbert

Mary L. Hale

Betty Manley

Guadalupe Zimiga

Nick Roman

Gene National

Ellen G. Hale

David White

Charles E. Bestwick

Howard Barker

Luis Byrd

Ernie F. de Board

Dorcas Hill

Betty Miller

Conan O'Brien

Lillie Bourgeois

Percy Doh

CC: Chuck Goady
Pat Twohig
Willie Hall
Jess Sixkiller
Mike Gale
Lowell Brinson
Dale Nielsen
Russ Pratt
Jim Lieder, President,
FGP Association
Senator Alan Cranston
Senator John Tunney
Senator Barry Goldwater
Congressman John Conlan

TRAINING

PART IV Training:

Foster grandparents in each host institution have continued to meet for their required 4 hr. monthly in-service sessions and individually as necessary. The following topics have been covered:

- 1 - Personnel Policies
 - A - Holiday Schedules
 - B - Vacation time
 - C - Sick leave
 - D - Assignment hours
- 2 - FGP films - "Springtime in Autumn" and "Their Special Needs"
- 3 - Supplemental Security Income
- 4 - Eligibility for food stamps and medical plans medicare and medi-cal
- 5 - Passage of Older Americans Act

In addition, each group has received in-service training necessary for optimum performance of their assignments.

Special training undertaken during this reporting period includes:

- 1 - Behavior modification training sessions for the twenty-three grandparents assigned to Inter-community Exceptional Children's Home (outline attached).
- 2 - Dealing with the emotionally disturbed child - one week session for the ten grandparents assigned to children's Baptist Home (outline attached).
- 3 - Volunteer Leadership Training - thirteen grandparents attended six sessions held at the South - Central Voluntary Action Center.

Hi!
FOSTER
GRAND PARENT



BEHAVIOR

MEETINGS

TIME 12:30-1:00

PLACE

CONFERENCE
ROOM

(Sunday) 2:00-12:30
in the dining
(room)

MODIFICATION
TRAINING
CONFERENCE

tue.	Sept 18	th
wed	Sept 19	th
thurs	Sept 20	th
Friday	Sept 21	st
Monday	Sept 24	th

INTERCOMMUNITY EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN'S HOME
 BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION - INSERVICE TRAINING

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

1. The GRANDMA PRINCIPLE is the key to Behavior Modification
 Example: "first eat your peas then your dessert."
 2. REINFORCEMENT is Anything The Student Likes And Is Willing To Work For.
 - A. Reinforcements can be arranged to increase behaviors or decrease behaviors.
 Example: To increase: Student may be reinforced for cleaning the table.
 To decrease: Student may be reinforced for NOT cleaning the table.
 3. CONSEQUENCES is WHATEVER COMES AFTER THE PINPOINTED BEHAVIOR.
 - A. Consequences can be Reinforcements of IGNORING.
 - B. Consequences are planned and up-planned, and our focus will be on PLANNED ones.
 4. Three ways to plan consequences.
 - A. Ask the child
 - B. Watch the child
 - C. Trial
 5. Four important things to remember about consequences.
 - A. The consequences is only good If It Works.
 - B. The consequences must follow the behavior IMMEDIATELY.
 - C. The consequences must be Consistent.
 - D. The consequences have to be JUST THE RIGHT AMOUNT.
- EXTINCTION is DELIBERATELY IGNORING A BEHAVIOR.
- A. Extinction is best used when you want to decrease or stop a behavior.

EXERCISE:

Demonstration

INTERCOMMUNITY EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN'S HOME
 BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION - INSERVICE TRAINING
 FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY

1. The following items are to be used as guidelines which illustrate process of describing behavior precisely. The major components of precise description are:
 - A. Description of the observable conditions in which the behavior occurs.
 - B. Description of the observable behavior.
 - C. Description of the consequences which immediately follow the behavior.
2. IT IS IMPORTANT TO AVOID USING "LOADED" WORDS WHEN DESCRIBING CONDITIONS, BEHAVIORS AND CONSEQUENCES. Unobservable or private behavior words ("he looks guilty", "he acts mad", "he is acting out") do not help identify conditions, behaviors or consequences with which we can deal.
3. FORGET DETERMINING THE CAUSE OF ANY BEHAVIOR.
 For example:
 - A. "He can't sit still because he is hyperactive".
 - B. "You can tell the kind of home he came from - listen to his language".
4. REMEMBER TO AVOID THE USE OF WORDS WHICH DO NOT COMMUNICATE AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE THE IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF THE BEHAVIOR YOU ARE DESCRIBING.

EXERCISE

1. A role-playing situation will be observed and we will discuss what happened.
2. Describe a "problem setting", a situation involving a child you know in which something happens you would like changed.

Friday

INTERCOMMUNITY EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN'S HOME

BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION - INSERVICE TRAINING

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

To help a child develop appropriate behavior we should do the following:

1. Observe the child CAREFULLY keeping mental or written notes about everything that happens when the behavior we want to change occurs. Remember the newspaperman's rule of thumb.

A). WHO	}	Observable conditions, precise behavior, and the consequence
B). WHEN		
C). WHERE		
D). WHAT		

Now you're ready to help your child by intervening - or planning new consequences for his old behavior.

1. Remember the Andrew sister's big hit in 46? It was "Accentuate the Positive". That should really be our motto.

Accentuate - or re-enforce - the positive.

Ignor - or extinguish - the negative.

And pretty soon you won't have to "mess around with Mr. In-between".

2. Find out what the child will really work for.

A consumable reward - something he can eat, i.e. candy, crackers, etc.

A non-consumable reward - something he can't eat, i.e. toys, trinkets, etc.

Or, a social re-enforcement - praise and approval.

3. Plan your consequence.

A). What behavior will you reward?

Your child won't be entirely successful immediately so begin by rewarding each little success that will eventually build into the total success.

Example:

If I want a child to follow a simple verbal request, first I have to get his attention, so I might reward him each time he looked at me or turned toward me when I called his name.

4. OK! You're off and modifying! Be consistent!

Spastic Children's Foundation
Foster Grandparent Training
Kenna Gose - Field Supervisor

The Foster Grandparents are given a variety of speakers and in-service training activities to enable them to have knowledge of the entire facility. Because we are growing and expanding changes take place often. Some of the things we have done in the past six months are:

- 1) Dr. Hatcher, Psychologist, spoke to the group about the different types of children.
- 2) Jim Gore, Educational Director, spoke about the learning centers for the children.
- 3) Attended an infant clinic open house to tour and have a better knowledge of the program there.
- 4) Took a trip to the new Chatsworth facility to see where some of the children they are now working with will be transferred.
- 5) Were shown in-service training tapes on new video tape machine. They have also been filmed on it with the children.
- 6) They (FGP) presented a program with the UYA student about SCF at the Pepperdine Malibu Campus.
- 7) Each Foster Grandparent is involved in case conferences when their children are to be discussed. At these meetings they give a report on the progress of their children.
- 8) The FGP, UYA students, and children presented a Christmas program to the Coordinating Council of SCF.
- 9) Saw the film "Their Special Needs".

Dealing With The Emotionally
Disturbed Child

Foster Grandparents - In-Service Training
Monday, October 15 - Friday October 19
Children's Baptist Home
Conducted by:
Ms. Judy Gasidlo, M.S.W.

1. Goals of Setting:
 - Philosophy
 - Staff
2. Influences in children's lives:
 - Parents
 - Environment
 - Peers
3. Needs of Individuals.
4. Expression of emotions:
 - What is perceived, understood, misunderstood.
5. Communication:
 - What's the message?
 - Hidden meanings
6. Criticism and guidance:
 - Constructive criticism
 - Importance of the character and ego of an individual
7. Sources of anxiety and frustrations:
 - Fears - of being unloved, unwanted, rejections
 - Family tensions, especially between parents
 - Children can't always answer to why or give reasons for behavior
8. How to be a helpful listner.
9. Need for individual to be secure
10. Respecting an individual and his rights as an individual:
 - Feelings
 - Expression of feelings

11. Behavior modification techniques.
12. Influence of a Foster Grandparent:
Caring by choice
Setting the climate
13. Some ideas and concerns of Haim Ginott.
14. Possibly a film relating to -emotionally upset children.
15. Questions, interests, specific children, situations.



PRE-SERVICE ORIENTATION FOR VOLUNTEERS

OCTOBER 17, 24, 31 NOVEMBER 7, 14, 21
9:30 AM to 12 Noon

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SIX SESSIONS

1. VOLUNTARISM - WHAT IS IT?
2. VOLUNTEERISM AND ME.
3. HUMAN RELATIONS IN VOLUNTEERING.
4. COMMUNICATION SKILLS IN VOLUNTEERING.
5. OPPORTUNITIES FOR ME AS A VOLUNTEER.
6. ORIENTATION OF AGENCY VOLUNTEER NEEDS.

FOR REGISTRATION CALL:

ALPHA WILLIAMS 753-3155
SOUTH CENTRAL VOLUNTARY ACTION CENTER
8812 SOUTH MAIN STREET
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90003

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PART V

PROGRAM CHANGES

November 19, 1973

MEMO TO: Robert A. Arias, Program Officer ACTION

FROM: Alison K. Gilbert, Director FGP

RE: Host Institution Change

CC. T. Zane Reeves

Effective Monday, November 5, 1973, The Willows Resident School and Day Center in Compton will no longer participate in Pepperdine University's Foster Grandparent Program as a host institution. This elimination is due to The Willows inability to maintain a non-profit status.

Community Youth Development Agency, State Pre-school Headstart has been added as a host institution, - approval having been received from you prior to this change. In accordance with Action guidelines, a Memorandum of Understanding has been negotiated with CYD, State Pre-school Headstart.



Telegram

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CARE WILLOWS RESIDENT DAY SCHOOL 930 W COMPTON BLVD
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DEAR MS GILBERT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU AND THE FOSTER GRANDPARENTS
IN THE WILLOWS PROGRAM FOR SHARING YOUR TIME AND LOVE WITH
US WE WILL MISS YOU BUT WE WILL NOT FORGET ALL THE HELP YOU
PROVIDED COME BACK AND VISIT US AND THE CHILDREN SOON SINCERELY

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GRANDPARENTS

Written by:

Mrs. Irma Huffman
Foster Grandparent,
Inter-Community Exceptional
Children's Home
Long Beach, California

dedicated to

Donald, dear Donald

my foster grandson!

Donald, dear Donald

It was the autumn of my life when he stole
into my heart. Loneliness was my constant
companion; self pity my indulgence. Sadness
came with the dawn; increased with the sunset.
Tears were ever near; happiness a feeling
forgotten.

Donald, dear Donald

Quickly and loudly he chased away all my
misereries. He took me by the hand and led me
into a beautiful new life.
Away with self pity!
Begone the loneliness!
Tears were exchanged for laughters;
Sadness for "Happy Faces". I welcome the
dawn, a new day for new happiness. Quietly I
watch the sun set knowing tomorrow will bring
pleasures and love.

Donald, dear Donald

Who is this child?
This child who flaunts a myriad of personalities?
What mysteries lie buried behind the vague but
beautiful eyes? Drooping eyes with a mystic aura.
What mysteries lie buried in the beauty of his soul?
The beauties others can't see because of the label
retarded."

Donald, dear Donald

Yes, he has his moments of anger.

His moments of being irrational; and at times, very hyper-active. When I walk into a room and he is there his face brightens; a glow lightens his eyes. And that glow touches my face and heart; and we are joyful.

Donald, dear Donald

Love has shown me all the beauty in your eyes and in your soul. And I know the secret. God gave you an extra touch to make up for the damaged brain. To me he has given the joy of sharing this secret. And I am grateful.

Thank you, god.

Thank you for -

Donald, dear Donald.

The Foster Grandparent Role

By Ruby M. Daniels

In becoming a Foster Grandparent with the Spastic Foundation has been and still is a wonderful and rewarding experience for me. In working as a Foster Grandparent I have been able to gain a deeper love for children, and especially with those that are handicapped, a deeper appreciation for humanity in knowing that they are not forgotten and society does care.

It is also a pleasure of knowing the staff, other Fosterparent, and especially Mrs Gilbert. I am giving my best, please accept it, and I shall continue in my efforts to make some child happy each day.



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CHARLES L. RHODES PH.D.
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October 18, 1973

Mrs. Jessie Turner
3107 W. 79th Street
Los Angeles, California 90043

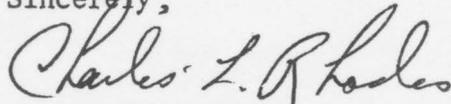
Dear Mrs. Turner:

May I take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for your faithful service to our children. Miss Irvin informed me that you had volunteered to come in early each morning to see that Lizette and Elina got on the school bus, even though you were not officially on duty due to the training class.

I know the children appreciate your concern for their welfare, and I personally want to say a big "thank you".

Wishing you the very best in the days ahead.

Sincerely,



Charles L. Rhodes
Executive Director

CLR:bt

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January 18, 1974

Mrs. Alison Gilbert, Director
Foster Grandparent Program
1034 West 78th Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mrs. Gilbert:

November, 1973, marked the first year anniversary of the Foster Grandparent Program at King Hospital. I personally feel that it is one of the greatest programs in this, or any other health care facility.

During the past year, the activities of the Foster Grandparents at this hospital have served to re-inforce and strengthen the idea that the senior citizen is a very useful and important part of our society. They are loyal, dependable, conscientious, and most of all are loving and devoted to the young patients they serve. Because of this, the medical staff considers the Foster Grandparent's Program as a most effective means for treating the neglected and abused patient as well as combating the traumatizing effects of hospitalization.

The Foster Grandparents praise the program because it offers an opportunity for them to provide a meaningful service to others as well as enhance their own personal lives.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation during the past year. I am looking forward to the coming year being even greater.

Sincerely yours,

Bernadette Bowman

Bernadette Bowman
Coordinator of Volunteer Services

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January 16, 1974

Alison K. Gilbert, Director
Foster Grandparent Program
Pepperdine University
8035 South Vermont Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90044

Dear Alison,

As you are aware, there are ten Foster Grandparents assigned to the Foundation for the Junior Blind. All grandparents are assigned to the Special Education Program, a 5 day per week residential school for 40 multiply handicapped blind children ranging in age from 6 to 21 years. There exists an incredible range of disabilities among the children in addition to blindness. Included are, deaf and hard of hearing, genetic defects, birth injury, brain injury (accidents, tumors, surgery, etc.) regressive neurological syndromes, autism, apasia, emotional disorders, etc.

There are seven credentialed teachers who are responsible for the implementation of a program of interaction that leads to growth for all children in the following areas: academic, emotional, social, recreational, personal and vocational.

Eight grandparents are assigned to the teachers. They are given individual responsibilities and conduct a specialized supportive program of their own with one or two children. Their programs change with the needs of the class or growth of the children, so essentially they are exposed to all facets of special education relative to our blind children. Of the remaining grandparents, one serves as a reading and math tutor and the other assists our counselors in the development and implementation of a diversified program of recreational activities for our youngest blind children.

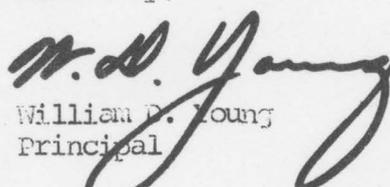
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In the short time our grandparents have been with us, all of them have become highly skilled in dealing with not only their assigned students but all of the students in the program. We are especially proud of our grandparents. They are a dedicated, reliable and competent group of people who approach their responsibilities with sensitivity, seriousness and most importantly gentleness. Most of the children have developed strong attachments with their grandparents. It is this attachment that we set as the primary objective for our grandparents. It is our feeling that the children have an abundance of professional clinical interaction. The grandparents provide what we consider to be the finishing touches for our children, an opportunity to engage in a warm and loving relationship with someone who not only understands them but who also genuinely cares.

I am not sure if it is possible to demonstrate the effect of the grandparent/child relationship in IQ scores or achievement tests but there exists no question in our minds of the value and importance of this relationship. A simple observation of a grandparent and child in total harmony is enough to cast any doubts aside. We thank you very much for providing the Foundation for the Junior Blind with an opportunity to utilize this fantastic service and to know such a wonderful group of senior citizens.

Sincerely,



William D. Young
Principal

WDY:jw

DATE: February 7, 1974

MEMO TO: Alison K. Gilbert, Director
Foster Grandparent Program

FROM: Frankie D. Veale, Child Development
Supervisor

In September, 1973 the Community Youth Development Agency, like many delegate agencies received funds from the OCD to enroll handicapped children and incorporate them into the normal classroom setting. The handicapped children enrolled consisted of some children with multiple handicapped, physically, mentally and emotionally problems.

It was at this time that the supervisor, Miss Frankie Veale contacted Mrs. Alison K. Gilbert, Director of the Foster Grandparent Program at Pepperdine University for Action and received assistance to place grandparents in centrally located Head Start Centers with children in special need of a one to one relationship. The foster grandparents came to us with a wealth of experiences from varied backgrounds. The foster grandparents have been a tremendous assistance to our pre-schoolers, parents and staff. The agency is fortunate to have five placed at the Pepperdine Head Start Center, five at the Alpha Head Start Center both in Los Angeles. The agency is proud and honored to have the oldest foster grandparent Mrs. Pearl Williams assigned to the model center at Pepperdine.

We are looking forward in expanding the services from the Foster Grandparents Program of Action from Pepperdine Los Angeles Center.

**FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM
SEMI-ANNUAL PROGRAM PROFILE**

OMB APPROVED; 116 R0258
EXPIRES JUNE 30, 1974.

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No. & Street 8035 South Vermont Avenue
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1. List the number of Foster Grandparents who took initial orientation in the past six months by their primary activity prior to enrolling:
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| Worked full time outside of home (32-34) | <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td>0</td></tr></table> | 0 |
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2. The number of trained Foster Grandparents not yet placed but available for placement. (47-49)

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- A. The number awaiting orientation (50-52)

10

3. List the number of Foster Grandparents who separated from the program in the past six months by primary reason:
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|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Ill Health (53-55) | <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td>9</td></tr></table> | 9 |
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| Inadequate Performance (65-67) | <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td>0</td></tr></table> | 0 |
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| Dissatisfaction with Program (68-70) | <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td>0</td></tr></table> | 0 |
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| Total (77-79) | <table border="1" style="display: inline-table;"><tr><td>9</td></tr></table> | 9 |
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The following data is based on the total number of Foster Grandparents serving at the end of this quarter, include those who may not be serving on the final day of the quarter for reasons of scheduling, illness, etc.

4 The number of Foster Grandparents serving and manhours served:

Funding	Federal	Non-Federal	Uncompensated	Total
4A Foster Grandparents (80-82)	100	(83-85) 0	(86-88) 0	(89-91) 100
4B Manhours (92-96)	55,630	(97-101) 0	(102-106) 0	(107-112) 55,630

5. Foster Grandparents by sex: No. of Males (113-115)

11

 No. of Females (116-118)

89

Age Distribution	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80-84	85+	Total	Age of Oldest Foster Grandparent
Foster Grandparents	28	47	17	6	1		100	104
	(119-121)	(122-124)	(125-127)	(128-130)	(131-133)	(134-136)	(137-139)	(140-142)

7. Income Distributions: Total household income not including stipend amount for those FGs who receive a stipend. Indicate single or joint income, joint income includes spouse or other members of the household.

Income	Zero	Under \$1000	\$1000-1999	\$2000-2499	\$2500-2999	\$3000 +	Total
Single Individual	3	8	52	19	5	0	87
	(143-145)	(146-148)	(149-151)	(152-154)	(155-157)	(158-160)	(161-163)
Joint Household	1	2	6	1	2	1	13
	(164-166)	(167-169)	(170-172)	(173-175)	(176-178)	(179-181)	(182-184)

8. A. No. of FGs receiving old age assistance (including medicaid) (185-187)

82

 B. No. of FGs of eligible age who do not qualify for social security (188-190)

18

9. Living arrangements of FGs: No. Living Alone (191-193)

86

 No. Living with Spouse or Others (194-196)

14

10. Residence tracts of Foster Grandparents: Give the number of Foster Grandparents who live in metropolitan, urban, and rural areas (see definitions below).

Population	Metro* Over 250,000		Metro* 50,000 to 250,000		Urban 2,500 to 50,000		Rural Less than 2,500		Total	
Foster Grandparents	(197-199)	100	(200-202)		(203-205)		(206-208)		(209-213)	100

*Consisting of a single city or contiguous cities or consolidated area.

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11. The number of Foster Grandparents who have served continuously (unless temporarily absent) for:

	1-6 Months		7-12 Months		1-2 Years		2-3 Years		3-5 Years		5 years +		Total	
FGs	(26-28)	14	(29-31)	22	(32-34)	64	(35-37)	0	(38-40)	0	(41-43)	0	(44-47)	100

12. The number of Foster Grandparents who have served at least 30 days in the past six months:

(48-51)

100

13. Number of children served by age group:

Under 5 (52-56)	6-12 (57-61)
188	117
13-18 (62-66)	Total (67-71)
90	395

14. RESIDENTIAL

Institutions Served		No. of FGs		No. of Institutions		No. of Children		Institutions Served		No. of FGs		No. of Institutions		No. of Children	
Mentally Retarded	(72-74)	24	(75-76)	2	(77-79)	88	Physically Handicapped	(80-82)	36	(83-84)	2	(85-87)	75		
Emotionally Disturbed	(88-90)	10	(91-92)	1	(93-95)	20	Dependent & Neglected	(96-98)		(99-100)		(101-103)			
Correctional	(104-106)	7	(107-108)	1	(109-111)	20	Hospital	(112-114)	13	(115-116)	1	(117-119)	162		
NON-RESIDENTIAL															
Day Care	(120-122)	10	(123-124)	2	(125-127)	30	Public Schools	(128-130)		(131-132)		(133-135)			
Non-Public Schools	(136-138)		(139-140)		(141-143)		Outpatient	(144-146)		(147-148)		(149-151)			
OTHER (Specify)								(160-163)		(164-167)		(168-171)			
	(152-154)		(155-156)		(157-159)		TOTAL	100			8		395		

15. Ethnic Distribution of Foster Grandparents:

White	Black	American Indian	Spanish Speaking	Asian American	Other	Total
33	64	0	3	0	0	100
(172-174)	(175-177)	(178-180)	(181-183)	(184-186)	(187-189)	(190-193)

The following data is submitted only at the end of the grant budget period and should reflect the totals for the entire grant period.

16. The total number of individual Foster Grandparents that served (194-198)

17. The total number of individual children served (199-203)



CONGRESS

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

May 4, 1973

Mrs. Alison K. Gilbert
Director, Foster Grandparent Program
8035 South Vermont Avenue
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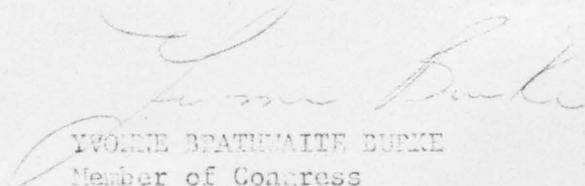
Dear Mrs. Gilbert:

Thank you very much for your recent letter concerning the Older Americans Act.

As a cosponsor of that legislation, I feel very strongly about the points which you raise in your letter. Older Americans are certainly entitled to live in dignity and honor, and I believe this legislation is necessary to achieve that goal. Moreover, I am now working with the Los Angeles City Housing Authority to encourage the Department of Housing and Urban Development to fund the recent housing proposition which passed by a mandate of 82% of the voters last month and which would use federal money to construct 7,500 low-income senior citizens housing units in the City.

Thank you again for your letter, and I hope to hear from you again soon.

Very truly yours,


YVONNE BRATHWAITE BURKE
Member of Congress

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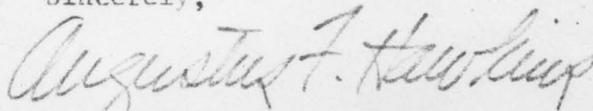
Dear Mrs. Gilbert:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Foster Grandparents program and the literature you enclosed.

Since its inception, I have been a supporter of FGP, and voted for it as a part of the Older Americans Act this month. A bill entitled the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 is now pending in the Subcommittee of which I am chairman. This bill would provide the ACTION agency with authorizing legislation as well as bring together in one piece of legislation all the domestic volunteer programs, including Foster Grandparents. The authorization in this bill for FGP is \$45 million as opposed to the authorization in the recently signed Older Americans Act Amendments of \$25 million for fiscal year 1974.

You can be sure that I will work for the passage of this new ACTION bill in a form that would be compatible with your program objectives.

Sincerely,



Augustus F. Hawkins
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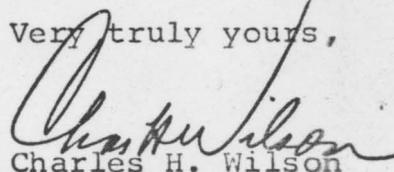
Thank you for your recent letter urging the passage of the Older Americans Act.

I agree that this bill is essential to meet the needs of the elderly. I am happy to inform you that on March 13, 1973 H.R. 71, providing for the extension of the Older Americans Act, was passed in the House by a vote of 329-69. On April 18, a compromise version, authorizing \$543.6 million over the next three years for service and programs for the elderly, was accepted by both House and Senate. While this version does not lower the funding rate substantially, it does make the bill acceptable to the President. This was a necessary measure to prevent another pocket-veto as there occurred in October, 1972.

I am acutely aware of the problems that people over 60 face, financially and psychologically, and I am on record for supporting all legislation designed to ease this situation. I introduced H.R. 3886, identical to H.R. 71, to strengthen and improve the Older Americans Act of 1965, and have cosponsored recent legislation to raise social security benefits by 20 percent and to prevent the subsequent reduction of other benefits. So you can rest assured that the needs of the elderly will continue to receive my full consideration.

May I commend you on the admirable work you are doing with the Foster Grandparent Program and thank you for the information you provided. I appreciated hearing from you. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Very truly yours,


Charles H. Wilson

CHW/dkh