

YOUR
WORTHINGTON
HUMAN RELATIONS
COUNCIL

is

GROWING

in both
SIZE and ACHIEVEMENTS

BUT IT
NEEDS YOUR
HELP!!!

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OUR EFFORTS

HOUSING

The Housing Committee is dedicated to working for equal opportunity in housing throughout the Worthington School District. This Committee was the sponsor of a fair-housing petition which was signed by more than 300 Worthington residents, and was published in a full-page ad in the Worthington News.

With Stanley Robinson as chairman, the WHRC Housing Committee challenges the practices of realtors and others that lead to and tend to maintain segregated housing. This includes listing services for housing in the Worthington Area available to blacks, and efforts to find and serve blacks who are interested in buying and living in Worthington.

In the middle 60's several black families became home owners in previously all-white areas of the Worthington School District. Efforts were helped by the Supreme Court decision on the Jones case, but the committee, with the zealous leadership and efforts of Stan Robinson, Ann Allen and Dick Baumgartner, led the way. There is still much work to be done.

POLITICAL ACTION

In its work on human relations, the Housing Committee discovered a need for a City Commission on Human Relations. This gave birth to the WHRC Political Action Committee. After more than a year of work, and with the earnest cooperation of the Worthington City Council, this committee, chaired capably by Dick Stowe, was successful last year in the establishment of the Worthington Human Relations Commission. To reduce confusion, the

TODAY - - - AND HOW YOU

name was changed to Community Relations Council. Several of our members are among those named to the initial personnel, and the Commission is being increasingly dynamic--needs but the feeding of information about any problem with which it might help.

There is more work beckoning for Political Action Committee attention--like research and campaigning relative to candidates and issues.

EMPLOYMENT

In the spring of 1969, the need to find employment for young blacks in the Worthington School District led to the formation of the WHRC Employment Committee. Members contacted business owners and managers in the Worthington Area, and were able to place only five young blacks in '69; one of these was trained as a computer operator and one served as a bank employee. Favorable reports were received about all.

Under the vigorous chairmanship of Clarence Green, the committee has done remarkably better in 1970; more than 20 young blacks and whites from the Worthington School District were placed in jobs.

The Employment Committee continues under the guidance of Mr. Green for the ensuing year, and expectations are for even greater accomplishment. Much assistance is desired--and NEEDED. Many contacts and interviews are the vital method.

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THERE IS MUCH TO BE DONE! - ENLIST NOW

Phone Numbers on back page!!

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CAN HELP -

EDUCATION

Out of various needs for improvements in education curricula in the Worthington School District, particularly in relation to knowledge about ethnic cultures and history, the WHRC Education Committee was born. Under the chairmanship and imaginative leadership of David Blyth, a number of Task Forces have been formed to handle specific projects or continuing assignments.

Plays and lectures have been provided for various civic groups. A Task Force on Adult Education is alerting all who will listen on the black studies problem. Another group has been active in assisting the Worthington Schools administration with the recruiting of black teachers into the Worthington School System; three were added for the current school year.

A special Task Force on Black Studies, under the chairmanship of Ruth Kaswan, has been working intensively--and continues so--on the relevant integration of black subject matter in all studies from Kindergarten through Grade 12. Working directly with the School Board and the Administration, the committee has already achieved some results, and is continuing to work and conference for more progress. Much help is needed--suggestions--counselling with authorities--planning--work!

MEMBERSHIP

Our ranks are growing, but more should join. Judy Weld, chairman of this committee, would like all the assistance she can get.

PROGRAM -- SOCIAL -- PUBLIC RELATIONS

Much to be done here. Help?

OUR START

The Worthington Human Relations Council was formed near the month of February, 1963. Two citizens of Worthington, Kent Morehead, an associate minister of the United Methodist Church, and Harold B. Jones, a lay member (and musician!) of the St. Johns A.M.E. Church, had been discussing with each other their concerns about social welfare and people relations in Worthington.

A call was placed here and there, and a group came together for a dialogue about problems. It was decided to form a "Council". More meetings were held. And in May, 1963, the Statement of Purposes and Goals, as below, was adopted.

Membership has grown steadily in the seven years, and accomplishments have mounted. Understandings have broadened as the result of more open communications. Sympathies for "people that are different" have been broadened in many instances.

OUR PURPOSE AND GOAL

1. Encourage responsible community living.
2. Promote better communication and understanding between different creeds, races and national origins.
3. Promote equal opportunity for use and ownership of real property.....
4. Promote equal opportunity for employment.
5. Promote equal opportunity in the use of public facilities.

(a more expansive statement of the above in current constitution; space not adequate here)

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more per family; \$10 very de-
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