



WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY
ACTION ORGANIZATION

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June 1 - June 15
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April 7, 1982

Jerry Bieberle, Acting Director
State Community Services Program
313 Public Service Building
Salem, Oregon 97310

Dear Jerry:

As per our phone conversation of a couple of weeks ago, I got together with the Director of Centro Cultural and worked with him to develop a Special Project proposal.

For the past three years, WCCAO has been helping Centro revitalize itself by: 1) re-organizing its Board of Directors, 2) completing a community needs assessments and developing programs to address identified needs, and 3) establishing a sound system of fiscal management.

Centro now has a strong Board of Directors. With WCCAO's assistance Centro obtained over a half million dollars in Community Development Block Grant funds to construct a Community Service Center. This Center will provide the foundation for meeting the needs of low-income Hispanics far into the future. A pre-audit has recently been conducted on Centro's fiscal system, (see attached copy) and a complete audit will be conducted this summer.

I have also attached a letter from CSA stating their perspective that Centro and COSSPO serve different Hispanic populations.

With regard to the processing of funds, we (WCCAO) could either pass it through our books - providing closer scrutiny of expenditures, or you could release the funds directly to Centro. Let me know what your preference is.

Thanks for your consideration and let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Rocky Johnson
Executive Director

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