

PLANS FOR THE FORMATION OF AN ONEIDA AREA COMMUNITY COMMITTEE

Progress Report
by

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I. INTRODUCTION

Perhaps, nearly all the people living in various communities in the state of Wisconsin have one in common. This one thing is "The desire to improve their community area and make it a better place in which to live!" This purpose have created the initial suggestion for this project originated among the members of the Oneida Tribal Council themselves.

II. COMMITTEE ORGANIZED

At a special meeting September 16, 1959, The Oneida Tribal Council created and organized a " PLANNING COMMITTEE." Pursuant to recommendations set forth by the Governor's Commission on Human Rights" that a committee of both Indian and non-Indian be set up to discuss and to take some positive measures in providing more community recreation for the young people in the Oneida area and to invite outside agencies for suggestions, and consultations such as Clergymen, Public School Superintendents, Social Welfare workers, Town Chairmen, county Judges, Attorneys, Youth workers, Recreational Directors and business men of the area.

III. COMMUNITY SOCIAL PROBLEMS.

Several Tribal members and others spoke strongly in favor of enlarging the scope of a committee beyond recreation to many other unmet community needs.

WHEREAS, The committee is aware of the rise of social problems and if they are not met, they may eventually impede the development towards a responsible citizenry.

WHEREAS, It is also realized that its basic causes are related to the conditions in the homes, the community, and the state. A concerted effort is needed in confronting this social problems.

IV, RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1). To set up an adequate supervised programs, counseling services for the families.
- (2). To establish an advisory counsel on Juvenile Delinquency Health education and welfare.
- (3). To encourage community local law enforcement, teaching techniques of working with youthful offenders.
- (4). Development practice for health improvement.
- (5). Building a community recreational programs;

A. It is suggested that the recreational programs provide something of interest to various age groups in the community.

The following considered;

1. Children
2. Teen-age (and younger)
3. Adult groups.
 - a. Young married couples and unmarried folks.
 - b. Middle age people
 - c. Older folks.

(6). To investigate the possibilities of organizing a recreational center in the Oneida community area.

(7). Other group activities of any kind.

The cooperation from individuals, organizations, and agencies, who may be contacted on this project will be appreciated. The committee welcome suggestions and constructive recommendations.