



## By End of Agency's Third Year

# Model Cities Bringing Over \$10 Million

By the end of Model Cities' Third Action Year, which will begin August 1, the local agency will have pumped more than \$10 million into High Point's economy.

The Third Action Year, which is expected to receive final approval by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) soon, will mark the third consecutive year in which the local Model Cities program has been granted an annual total of \$1,770,000 by the federal department.

Using these supplemental monies as leverage, High Point Model Cities has attracted an additional total of \$4,755,954 from other sources.

To date, better than \$3.5 million of the HUD supplemental monies have been spent. By the end of the upcoming fiscal year, the local agency is expected to have spent \$5,277,295 in these funds.

The total budget available for spending including HUD grants and matching funds, will have been \$10,033,249.

The impact of this amount on High Point is wide-spread, and has made an effect on many aspects of the community's development.

A thorough study of this impact will be made in the coming years by Model Cities' relatively new evaluation system.

The funds to be administered by High Point's Model Cities by the end of Third Action Year (July 31, 1973) are distributed as follows:

Health and Social Services — \$3,266,893, or 32 percent.

Education — \$2,002,169, or 20 percent.

Housing and Physical Environment — \$1,714,027, or 17 percent.

## Cultural Center's Summer Program Holds Registration

Registration for Model Cities Cultural Arts' summer program is continuing at the center at 417 Walnut Street.

The program began June 12 and will continue through August 25. Instruction and creativity in music, art and drama will be offered.

During the summer months, Cultural Arts will open on a 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. schedule.

Instrumental music, chorus and introduction to piano keyboard will be available, as will beadcraft, leather craft, fine arts and art history. Youngsters may also enroll in the drama program, which will include set design, stagecraft, and preparation of three one-act plays.

Time and dates for try-outs and rehearsals will be posted. Classes will be held according to age group.

For more information, call director Thurman DuBose at 885-0759.

Economic and Manpower Development — \$1,159,971, or 12 percent.

Program Administration — \$964,854, or 10 percent.

Evaluation and Citizen Participation — \$397,514, or 4 percent.

Crime and Juvenile Delinquency — \$338,195, or 3 percent.

Recreation and Culture — \$18,626, or 2 percent.

In addition, Model Cities was instrumental in building two housing subdivisions for low-income families: London Woods and Farmington Forest. Together these housing projects represent a budget of approximately \$5,450,000 and when completed, will provide homes for nearly 330 families.

A total of 272 jobs have been created as a direct result of Model Cities in High Point.

Countless persons have or will receive job training of some sort as a result of Model Cities projects such as Comprehensive Manpower to enhance their chances competing in the employment market. Small minority businessmen, too, are receiving a boost with the help of the High Point Business Development Corporation, another Model Cities project.

Although many of Model Cities projects are geared particularly to its target area, the Model Neighborhood, the social benefits and economic impact of its presence is felt city-wide.

## Model Cities Comprehensive Plan Far-Reaching, Has City-wide Impact

How does the "Model Cities process" pay off? What are the results of citizen involvement in the planning which has occurred, the allocation of funds, and the evaluation of project performance? What difference has Model Cities made in High Point?

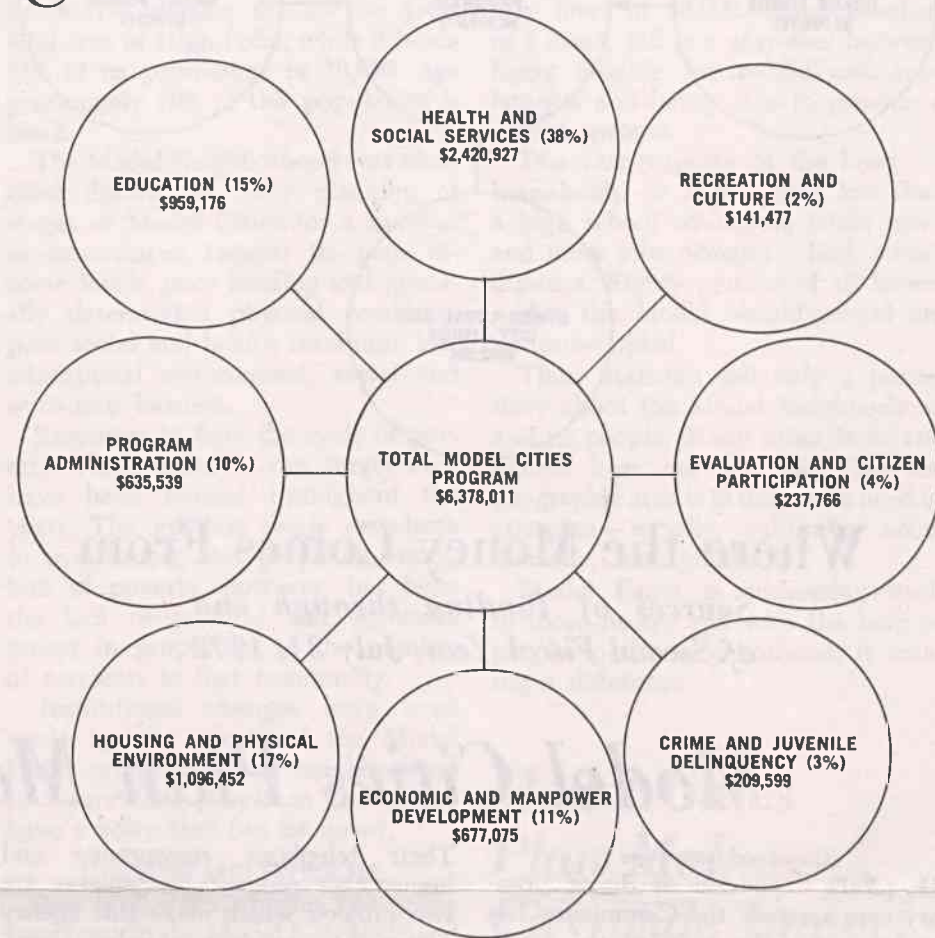
These questions are asked more and more frequently by people from all over High Point. At this time, on the verge of Model Cities' Third Action Year, some of the results have been assessed.

The following effects on the community have been documented by program area:

### EDUCATION

Three primary concerns were revealed in the Model Cities process — the lack of services for pre-school children, both normal and handicapped; few opportunities for career and vocational education in the public school system; and the inability of most Model Neighborhood residents to attend college.

In concert with county, state and federal agencies, the Model City Commission established the Fore-See



## Where the Money Has Gone

Distribution of funds through end of Second Fiscal Year, July 31, 1972

Agency, a division of Guilford Technical Institute. This agency is the umbrella agency and coordinating community mechanism for pre-school developmental programs in the city.

Three years ago, there were fewer than 25 Model Neighborhood children enrolled in professionally directed pre-school developmental programs. Today there are 300.

The problems involved in establishing a broad-based career and vocational education curriculum within the public school system are being addressed by task forces and local, state and federal school officials. The problems have been identified and publicized by Model Cities; this step, in itself, is the first step toward some remedial action.

With the cooperation of A & T State University and the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Model Cities has been able to provide college educations for 200 students who otherwise would not be able to afford it. This program will particularly impact upon the city when these young persons return to

High Point to take their place as community leaders.

In addition to these primary thrusts, Model Cities has also been responsible for devising a city-wide plan for a learning disabilities program and continues to sponsor summer remedial projects for 50 students who have fallen behind academically in the regular school session.

### HEALTH

Primary family health care remains the priority for Model Cities efforts in this program area. The recent coalition formed between Model Cities and United Community Services will, hopefully, lead to the establishment of a viable primary care system for citizens who, for a number of reasons, find it difficult to enter the existing health resources in the city.

Model Cities, meanwhile, has established the Demonstration Health Center in the Southside. It is hoped that this center will serve as an entry and screening center in the system presently under development.

In support of High Point Memorial

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