



Vera Williams, seated, and Pat Mumford discuss residents they plan to visit as ESR outreach counselors in the Liberty-Patterson community. Relocation will be good for most residents, they say, but painful nevertheless.

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## As Community Crumbles From Page 1

In sharp contrast to the surrounding neighborhood, which yields increasingly to vacant lots or empty houses and apartments waiting to be demolished, the Patterson Y is abuzz with activity.

Upstairs, E.S.R. personnel work from 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. patching up old furniture.

Barbara Isaiah, director of home improvement, seems to like her work and is rightfully proud of her ability to transform what appeared to be junk into something attractive and useful.

Right now, she said, items are brought to her and co-worker Gwen Lytle for repair. Soon, however, she says, community members will be taught how to repair their own.

"We sometimes have more than we can handle," Isaiah says, "but we always work them in."

"They really get excited," she says of the residents. "They even get very particular about you sitting on it (the furniture) when they get it back."

Twenty-eight people apparently share that excitement. They're on a waiting list for furniture repair.

While the E.S.R. office in the Patterson Y is the nerve center of their work, Mrs. Williams and Ms. Mumford do their most crucial jobs outside of it—meeting and helping people as best they can.

Sometimes, they say, their best isn't enough.

"At times you cry about it," Mrs. Williams says, "cry about things that you can't do anything about."

Ms. Mumford agrees. "Sometimes," she says, "it takes so long to get something done."

This morning, the ladies begin with an interview of a family yet to relocate.

The mother of the house is unemployed, due to problems with her legs. She appears to be in her late 30s or early 40s and readily answers each question. The house is modest, both inside and out, but it is warm and neat.

Periodically, the woman mentions her legs and how she wishes they were well so she could work. Neither she nor her husband owns a car, she says, so she has to pay neighbors for rides. She feels that they charge too much. She also expresses interest in the furniture repair class.

When asked if she is ready to move, the half-smiling woman says, "Yeah. I'm tired of seeing Reynolds trucks going up and down this street."

Industry has slipped its finger into the neighborhood. A tractor-trailer spans the street a few

yards from the house, as it either loads or unloads its cargo.

Near the end of the interview, the woman says, "Boy, living is somethin'. And when you die it's even worse."

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more," Covington said during an interview in his office. "Ultimately, I have to make a decision for the good of the university."

According to Covington, Winston-Salem State's recruiting staff is acutely undermanned, although it is one of the most essential departments to the university's future. Covington said that in order for WSSU to survive, it must maintain or increase the level of student enrollment.

Until 1979, the university had a recruitment program that was federally funded under Title III of the Student Institutions Development Program (SIDP). When WSSU could no longer use Title III funds, it transferred a counseling position into a one full-time recruiting position. Covington feels that one recruiter is not enough for any university.

"We've had a difficult time each year maintaining our enrollment," Covington said. "With the Reagan administration cutting back on student financial aid programs and other institutions in this area escalating their recruitment efforts, we must prepare ourselves for intensive future competition."

Also citing the increase in black enrollment at predominantly white institutions, and the steady enrollment at technical institutions such as Forsyth Technical Institute, Covington said that there is increased competition for a decreasing population.

"We must be prepared. We must have personnel that spend full time on marketing this institution," said Covington. "If we don't have students, our primary purpose is gone. A loss of students has a multiplier effect on the entire school."

Covington feels that it is equally important to have a full-time director of alumni relations on the university's staff. He said the filling of that position would

aid in the recruitment effort by assembling a nationwide alumni network.

Currently the alumni relations department is supported by the alumni association and headed by Winslow Lowry. Lowry acts as executive director, coordinating the activities of the association but is responsible only to the association. Covington feels that a staff director would utilize the role of the alumni to more effectively benefit the university.

"I feel that the alumni of this university can play an active role in the expansion and maintenance of the school," said Covington. "A director who answers to the school can coordinate a recruitment program that would work well in the university's plans."

Covington also said he was exploring other means of continuing some type of childcare program at the university. He had said earlier that one alternative being explored is that of WSSU managing the federally funded head start program currently administered by the Experiment in Self-Reliance. That possibility is still in the discussion stage, and Covington said that he would welcome other suggestions from the center's PTA, as well as from other sources.

Although the university has maintained its level of student enrollment for school year 1981-82, Covington is concerned about future enrollment levels.

"I'm trying to deal with something that could become a major crisis here in the future," Covington said. "We may not have a problem in '82, but if we don't develop plans to deal with recruitment, we will certainly have them in '83."

"I would like not to give up anything, but if student enrollment drops, then the next thing that will have to be done is cut programs and instructors. This is something that has to be addressed now."

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Applied locally, that regulation means that developers handling subsidized projects were to advertise through area newspapers that reach the minority communities, as well as contact individuals or organizations that come in contact with a large number of minority people.

Local managers contend that they made that effort.

Dorothy Johnson, resident manager of Granville Place, said that her complex complied with all the guidelines but the response was poor.

"We advertised in the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel, and sent letters of explanation and brochures to many churches. We just didn't get a response," Johnson said.

Johnson is now the resident manager of University Place, a project under con-

struction that is located in the black community. She said she is having trouble getting minorities to apply for those apartments, too.

"We sent out flyers and information to about 100 churches and as far as I can determine they haven't been read in the announcements at those churches," said Ms. Johnson.

"Black people have the tendency to wait for the apartments to be completed and then they apply, but by that time there is a waiting list," Ms. Johnson said. "I don't know what the problem is but it is not because we are not advertising."

Doris Miller, manager of Winston Summit, was the assistant manager when the complex opened. She said she wasn't too sure what other kinds of advertising were done but she is sure

that ads were placed in the black newspapers in Greensboro and Winston-Salem. Out of the 110 units in Winston Summit, 12 are rented by blacks and 10 by handicapped persons.

The manager of Country Village Apartments sent flyers and brochures to the area churches, according to Joy Lester. She said that they also advertised with the Chronicle. Only three black residents live in Country Village's 150 units.

Fulton said he is not satisfied with the results and said that if, in fact, the guidelines were followed they weren't followed to the letter. "The projects are to be reported 30 days before occupancy begins an continue until 95 percent of the complex is occupied," Fulton said. "I don't think those kinds of things have been done and if they have been done, they weren't done in the way they were supposed to have been."

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