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Publication:
"The State of Black Champaign County:
Closing the GAP?"

This time ten years ago (1983) we were busy gathering data on the "State of Black Champaign County". That study was released early in 1984. The Urban League is calling for papers from authors to replicate that study in factual data form, as well as free-lance essays of an expository nature.

I am enclosing copies of the Table of Contents from the 1984 "The State of Black Champaign County: Closing the GAP?". Copies of the full report should be available at the main library (University of Illinois), Afro-American Library in the main library (University of Illinois), both Champaign and Urbana Public Libraries, Douglass Branch Library, Afro-Cultural Center, each high school library, Parkland College Library, and the Urban League.

Articles should be approximately six or eight single-spaced pages in length. A uniform set of typing requirements will be forwarded to those who participate. We will not limit ourselves to the specific titles of the 1984 publication; nor must articles center around a "closing the gap" theme.

Finally, let me know by December 20 whether or not you are interested in participating. Completed articles are to be delivered to the Urban League by February 16 for a release date of April 1, 1984, in time for the Urban League annual dinner meeting.

I am looking forward to hearing from you very soon.

Sincerely,

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President and CEO