

## Education MUUNDO YA JAMII

Using education as an issue around which to mobilize the community, the organizing component of the Education Committee works very closely with community groups to raise the peoples' consciousness and to give them a stronger voice in the education of our children.

One of the most influential community groups in the education area is the African Education Alliance. In 1971, this organization spearheaded the drive to re-name the city's public schools after Black personalities. The names of Marcus Garvey, Martin Luther King and Malcolm X schools are examples of this effort.

The AEA has also organized a Flying Parents Squad. Equipped with cameras, tape recorders, the FPS makes unannounced visits to schools in the community for the expressed purpose of exposing the blatant ills that exist and then mobilizing support to correct the conditions by whatever means necessary.

Developmentally, we have been striving for:

- a) creation of a new teacher category. We are working with Seton Hall University and the State Department of Education to develop a curriculum for the training of community people to teach in our own schools. Such a curriculum would combine the African Free School Methodology and certain skill-oriented courses given by Seton Hall University.
- b) creation of an administrative and teacher internship program between Howard University and the Newark Board of Education.

This is a direct effort to increase the number of Black teachers and administrators in our schools. The other developmental aspects of education are covered in the African Free School section of this brochure.

## IDARA YA UCHUMI

The Committee for Unified Newark, began to focus on Economic development in November, 1970. By late 1970, the organization had developed some expertise in dealing with Community Organizing and Political Movement. However, we had not developed the parallel competency in economic matters to sustain and perpetuate development in the other areas. It was therefore necessary that we create an organizational unit to specialize in Economics, in order to deal with our overall growth more systematically.

November 23, 1970, the Committee for Unified Newark established the Economics Department (Idara ya Uchumi). This department was assigned with one overall purpose in mind: locate and expand resources to build an economic base for the organization. Specialized departments were assigned to concentrate on a multifaceted approach that would cover the spectrum of available resources:

### Housing

1. Locate and provide housing for advocates.
2. Assist advocates to purchase homes.
3. Eventually, build housing.

### Proposals

1. Locate and apply for funding thru Federal, Private Industry, Foundations, Churches, and

other sources to support organization programs.

### Business Enterprises

1. Establish businesses that emphasize/reinforce Nationalism
2. Establish businesses using concepts of UJAMAA

### Internship Programs

1. Reorganize Economics to give a system more beneficial to Black people.
2. Develop training (internship) programs to train Blacks in all aspects of municipal government administration.

### Economic Development

1. Analyse the resources of the Black community. Determine how best to channel those resources in to economically viable projects.

### Accomplishment in the past year:

#### Housing

1. CFUN has provided housing for more than fifty (50) advocates over the past year. Presently, about twenty (20) advocates occupy CFUN housing for which a minimal rent is paid to the organization each month.
2. Plans are now being formulated to build housing that will accommodate much more of the Black Community within the next two years which will feature the following.

#### Proposals

1. CFUN has been able to expand existing programs and initiate new ones over the past year thru grants received for proposals. Among these include:

African Free School .....	\$40,000 +
Congressional Redistricting .....	19,000 +
Communications Program .....	75,000 +
Theater Program .....	5,000 +

#### Businesses

1. CFUN has established Nyumba Ya Ujamaa retail store as the first successful enterprise of many to come. Recently established are, the Duka Ujamaa, a general retail goods and food store cooperative that is designed to meet the needs for the CFUN community and lets us provide goods for ourselves; and Safi Ujamaa, a cleaning service that, again, lets us maintain the circular financial flow by cleaning our own clothes and paying ourselves for it.

This is but a brief survey of some of the things CFUN is doing in Uchumi (Economics). Idara ya Uchumi is also working to stabilize policy regarding the various kujitegemea (self-reliance) projects. Each CFUN department either has, or is working to establish a self-reliance project that will generate financial support for its work. Several of these are in operation now: African Free School Food Franchise, Super Simba Maintenance and Periodical Sales, Community Organizing Nyumba franchise, Safi Ujamaa Cleaning, Duka Ujamaa (Community) Grocery store. We are looking to continue development in the present year — "Mwaka ya Kuendesha" (Year of Movement). We will focus on tightening up the circle of internal Economic development by:

- A. Analyse needs of the Black community in terms of goods and services.

- B. Analyse resources of the Black Community to determine what wealth we can draw from.
- C. Establish businesses to provide those goods and services to meet the needs of the Black community, creating a circular economic flow of wealth.
- D. Expand to other communities to increase the circular flow.
- E. Expand to external markets.

## NJR-32 PROJECT AREA COMMITTEE

1. Housing: 360 units of elderly housing  
856 units of low-and moderate-income housing (with special emphasis on large family apartments)
2. Neighborhood Facilities: sponsored by a group of community organizations indigenous to the renewal area, e.g., NAACP, Urban League, CFUN, Family Services, Action Now, United Community Corporation, etc.
3. A Para-Medical Center: for the group practice of a group of 40 minority doctors and dentists (from this center all residents will obtain medical insurance under a group insurance plan for residents of NJR-32)
4. Education: one new school for less than 1,000 primary students, two mini-school additions for primary students
5. Commercial: one new shopping mall two other commercial-service uses (including an electronics communications' center)
6. Park and Recreational: two new park and recreational land uses planned to complement the total land use plans for NJR-32, with such features as an African botanical garden, mobile seasonal zoos, outdoor theatres, etc. so that the parks will be both inspirational and informative
7. Industrial: one new industrial plan to employ some 200 residents; one industrial addition for existing plant.

Now that we have developed an alternative plan for the NJR-32 site, and we have found community entities to sponsor each planned development. PAC's major focus is the maximization of community participation in the physical transformation of their community, i.e. the architecture (we hope to see an indigenous form Neo-African), the construction, and the building, maintaining and developing of the stores, shops and other businesses in the community and profiting together from them. This year we hope to see the creation of architectural and drafting training programs, construction trades training programs, community management corporations, and all the areas which our community has been excluded from because of lack of basic skills.

NJR-32 will be the seed of a new city, the urban renaissance.

WATCH NJR-32 PAC GROW!  
R-32 in '72

## CFUN

Peace and Power

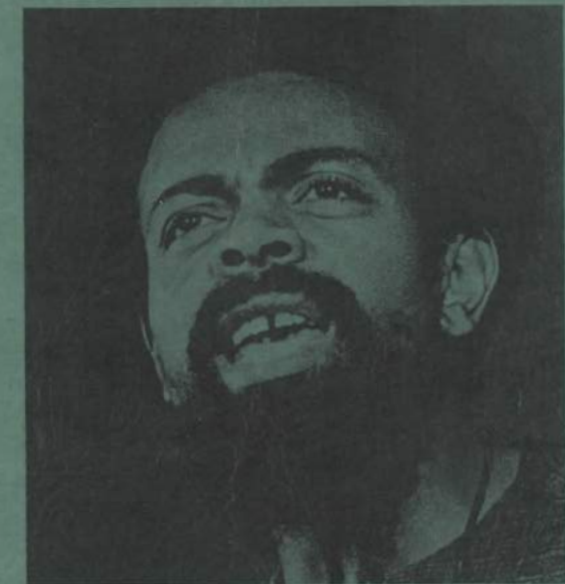
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*If we are doing any thing of value or beauty, all praises are due to the inspiring education & spiritual guidance of our leader & teacher Imamu Amiri Baraka, our organization the Committee For Unified Newark, and our doctrine and way of life Kawaida and all the mistakes have been ours.*

## Committee For Unified Newark



*Nationalism must be the basis for our entire lives. It must be the content and initiator of anything we do. Always, as the formulator of any act must be the need to see that act contribute to the building of a Nation. That is our purpose, Nationalism our direction. Black is our identity.*

Imamu Amiri Baraka

## HABARI NA UTANGAZAJI

In the area of Communications brothers & sisters are moving the gain skill with which to expand our ideas & images thru out the National Black Community & eventually the Inter-national Black Community, these areas which we view as small examples of how our Nation body in the arena of Communications must function, include among them Jihad Productions, a independent Black publishing company which was created all praises due to Imamu Baraka to give young Black writers a place to have their works published. Jihad has listed among its gallery of writers some of the finest poets, playwrights, historians &c. in the Black literary world today which include Imamu Amiri Baraka, Don Lee, Larry Neal, Clarence Reed, Joe White, Sonia Sanchez, Yusef Iman, Ben Caldwell, Marvin X & many, many others Jihad Productions represents Black Communications for the Nation becoming and has been fortunate enough to receive permission to publish essays by the Hon. Mwalimu Julius K. Nyerere Pres. of the Republic of Tanzania and the Hon. Ahmad Sekou Toure, Pres. of the Republic of Guinea, and other works made manifest in books, poem posters, and cultural revolution posters, films, one of which was produced and directed by Imamu Baraka, "NewArk" a documentary of the 1968 Black political struggle) also records, and art exhibits. JIHAD is constantly on the move and our offices located at 13 Malcolm X Shabazz Blvd. are open twenty-four hours a day for visit at any time by interested brothers & sisters who feel they are ready to grab hold of some concrete work whether it be in the area of editing and proofreading manuscripts or you might prefer to get into Marketing or Graphic design whatever your choice may be we are here on the go and awaiting your active participation. Another expansive area of communications is Soul Culture another self-reliant part of CFUN, whose purpose is to give shows, do promotional and public relations work. Soul Culture does this by establishing working relationships with other promoters, clubs, businessmen, record companies, and performers. Soul Culture thus far has been able to bring some of the finest of black professional talent to New Ark, which includes Isaac Hayes, The Temptations, The Supremes, Stevie Wonder, James Brown, Mariam Makeba, Les Ballet African (the National Dance troupe of the Republic of Guinea) and will in the future bring many more drawing together black people promoting Umoja (Unity). Also thru public relations, Soul Culture seeks to keep the community informed of the programs of the Committee For Unified New Ark. Soul Culture does this by setting up relationships with the media, especially the Black Media, issuing press releases and articles, setting up press conferences, interviews, radio & TV spots advertising and consistly seeking ways to create and re-create community interest and images of positive attraction. And finally the area of Electronic Communications in which members of CFUN and community black and puerto rican youth are being trained in the field of electronic communication which will enable us to effectively man and professionally operate the latest electronic equipment from a simple portable video recording rover to a

complex television studio, credited to its list of accomplishments this young crew has filmed the first State Black Political Convention in New Brunswick, N.J. and also The National Black Political Convention in Gary, Ind. both of which are available for viewing, weekly classes are held and are open to any interested ndugu and ndada who wish to come.

(Ask for Naibu Mchochezi or Sultani Katibu)

## THE MALAIKA

What is the Malaika?

M— Mothers of Development

Memory of our Nation

A— Advocates of Kawaida

Alternative to them

L— Love of our people

Loyal to our values

A— Appreciation of our teachers

Acceptance of our roles

I— Inspiration to our men

Image for our children

K— Keepers of Tradition

Kindness to our Race

A— African Women

Answer to Peace

The Malaika division is the women's division of the Committee For Unified NewArk. The word Malaika translated means "Good Spirit." As Nationalist women our doctrine teaches us that we have 3 roles: They are Inspiration, Education and Social Development.

When we speak of inspiration, we are speaking of Black women being an inspiration to their men and their nation. The Malaika represents an attitude of inspiration. We understand that inspiration is mental, physical and spiritual and so the women in the Malaika are committed to work and study and inspiring and uplifting our Men/Nation on all levels. As Nationalist we strive to develop our personalities to benefit the collective good.

### Education

The education of our children is necessary for the continuation of our nation. We must take care that our children are getting an education that will give them identity, purpose and direction. The women are responsible for the education of the children because they are the first educators of the children. The sisters of the Malaika division are all considered mothers of all of the children since we do not believe in biological parenthood. We understand that unless we begin to create institutions that will educate our children in the values of our nation we will not win as a people.

The educational system of the Committee For Unified NewArk is the African Free School which is run by the Malaika. The school was founded in 1967 by Imamu Baraka and the curriculum developed by Bibi Amina Baraka. We now maintain three African Free School classes: African Free School Pre School School, African Free Community School and African Free School in the public school. All praises to Imamu Baraka who teaches us progressive perfection we are expanding and developing constantly.

### Social Development

Our role in Social Development involves the creation of a new way of life for our people. We believe in Kuumba which teaches us to do always as much

as we can in the way we can in order to leave our community more beautiful and beneficial than when we inherited it. In participating in Social Development we institute programs that will develop the women in our community. We have a skills school, Skuli Mahiri Taifa which teaches the necessary skills needed by women in Nation Building. The school comes out of the Social Organization Council of the Congress of African People eastern region. We have a women's sewing and jewelry cooperative which we invite the women in the community to come and work with us in sewing and in jewelry making. We also render our services to sisters on college campuses who may need information or assistance in organizing sisters. We have a program for young sisters which will teach the roles and responsibilities they have to the nation. All that we do is in the spirit of creating a world that will be beautiful and beneficial.

PRAISES ARE DUE TO IMAMU AMIRI BARAKA AND KAWAIDA, and only the mistakes have been ours.

## Projects

Some of the projects the Malaika are involved in are:

1. African Free School
  - a. Pre School
  - b. Community School
  - c. Public School classroom/ Marcus Garvey School
2. Teacher Training Center (sponsored by C.A.P.)
3. Skuli Mahiri Taifa (Nation's Skills School)
4. Chakula Ujamaa (Collective Eating)
5. Shiriki la nguo na wanawake I amazazi (Women's Sewing and Jewelry Cooperative)
6. Idara ya Uchumi (Department of Economics)
7. Idara ya Siasa (Department of Politics)
8. Idara ya Habari na Utangazaji (Department of News & Communications)
9. Idara ya Muundo ya jamii (Department of Community Organization)
10. Idara ya Muundo ya jamaa (Department of Social Organization)
11. Elimu ya Taifa (Education of the Nation)

## SIASA

Politics — the gaining, maintaining and utilizing of power. Our priorities for 1972 will be the creation of Kawaida cadres as the basis for a PanAfrican Nationalist Party. We recognize that there are 4 areas of political power:

- 1) Public office — elected and appointed
- 2) Community Organizations
- 3) Alliances and Coalitions
- 4) Disruption

Any successful political movement will have to develop advocates with the skills and will to move successfully in any or all of these 4 areas.

We have always moved here in NewArk to create a prototype of this political party. The formation of the United Brothers in 1967 whose goal was Black political self-determination was the first step in this movement. In June of 1968 the United Brothers called NewArk's first Black Political Convention, electing two candidates to run in the municipal election November of that year.

From the 3rd Black Power Conference held in Philadelphia, Pa. a National Committee for Political Awareness was created as a fund raising arm to finance the voter registration drive that would be necessary to elect these officials.

The campaign itself was unsuccessful in regards to the election of those officials, however it created the basis for the on-going movement. With the African proverb "To stumble is not to fall, but to go forward faster" as our motto, we moved into the next two years of continuous voter education ad registration. Wanted 50,000 Black People to REGISTER TO VOTE!!!

November 1969 saw the convening of the successful Black and Puerto Rican Convention, out of which emerged 8 candidates for election in the 1970 NewArk Municipal election. These candidates were known as the "Community's Choice" team and a coalition of Black elected officials, community organizations, political activists and nationalists was formed to mobilize and organize the masses of the NewArk community in support of the slate. Over the next six months a fervor was raised in this city that had not been seen before. With a bevy of Black actors, singers and entertainers from James Brown to James Baldwin; National Black leaders from Mayor Richard Hatcher to Jesse Jackson, the people of NewArk were constantly kept aware of the upcoming election. The focus of course, always on the election of Kenneth Gibson as Mayor. We succeeded in electing not only Mayor Gibson but also three brothers to the City Council.

During the NewArk campaign we began the work of expanding CFUN across the nation. Student organizations and nationalist organizations from across the county had come to NewArk during the campaign and all of these groups were taught Kawaida and the concepts CFUN were put into motion. We also began to travel to other cities and assist brothers in forming cadre organizations. In September Atlanta, Georgia was the site of the first Congress of African People, over 3,000 African people were in attendance. Since that time we have been organizing CAP offices in the northeastern region of the United States.

Over the next year our focus will be on the creation of Kawaida cadres throughout the country, working with the Kawaida cadres in San Diego, and Pittsburgh. The Political School of Kawaida will serve as the main ideological training institute for the development of these cadres.

Our priorities for the 70's will be the creation of a Pan African Political Party. We have been moving in NewArk to create a prototype of this Pan African Political Party. The first Congress of African Youth convened at Montclair State College February 11, 12, 13, 1972. From that conference, we have been organizing youth cadres throughout the state of New Jersey. Another aspect of our movement towards the creation of Black Political Power in NewArk was the recent Congressional Redistricting struggle we won, keeping NewArk intact along with the Black City of East Orange. We mobilized on short notice to elect a Black Congressman from the new congressional district. We ran a complete slate of candidates and despite the sabotage of the pri-

mary election we were able to pull out close to 30,000 Black voters away from the regular party line. We were very fortunate to have our own IMAMU AMIRI BARAKA as co-convenor of the historical National Black Political Convention in Gary, Indiana, March 10, 11, 12. We along with hard working brothers and sisters from various organizations who helped pull Gary together in less than two months. Some 8,000 people were present from every conceivable background and persuasion. And after 3 days, produced the monumental National Black Agenda and an on-going structure post-Gary called and the National Black Assembly Elections to the National Black Assembly are to be held to select 477 members to this body from every state. The National Black Assembly will function as a congress to deal with elections, run or endorse candidates, conduct voter registration and do overall political analysis. This presidential election year will find the National Black Assembly using the Black Agenda as the basis for dealing with all prospective presidential and other office seekers.

The fourth aspect of our movement is the Cultural Revolution. Images and ideas of Nationalism translated to the language of African masses, Raising language, posters, leaflets, films, wall newspapers, demonstrations that will teach nationalism in the street.

We would like to end with a quote, from Imamu Baraka that we have adopted as our guide.

"We will create agencies to teach community organizing, national and local politics, and send brothers all over the country to re-create the model. We will nationalize the city's institutions as if it were liberated territory in Zimbabwe or Angola."

— Imamu Amiri Baraka

## SIMBA WACHANGA

The Simba — wachanga (young lion) formed and directed by Imamu Amiri Baraka are a group of young brothers from the ages of 16-25 who represent the youth and new ideas of the Committee for Unified NewArk, young brothers who represent the youth movement, committed to total change and the upliftment of the Black Nation. The Simba participate in all areas of organizational function, whether its community organizing, politics, communications, or economics providing a spark of vitalizing energy moving constantly to create and re-create the image of how the new blackman must stand and function. The Simba have following in its foot steps, a even younger group of brothers known as the wapenduze changa (the young revolutionaries or super simba) little brothers who have committed themselves from the tiny-tot stage to grow in the image of the strong African man. The Wapenduze changa have create a self-reliant project which involves making sweatshirts which have different images on them, so far they have produced, Imamu Amiri Baraka, Mwalimu Nyerere, Malcolm X High School, CFUN, National Black Political Convention sweatshirts. Both these groups draw inspiration from the images provided by the teachings of Imamu Amiri Baraka, the youth movements of the Republic of Tanzania's Green Guard, and China's Red Guard.