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MEMORANDUM

TO: MDC Chapter Presidents
MDC Redress Representatives

DATE: June 26, 1981

FROM: Bill Yoshino *Bill*

SUBJ: Redress Update

The Commission and its staff formally met in Washington, D. C. on June 23, 1981. The agenda items included confirmation of the hearing dates and sites as recommended by the commission staff. The commission changed two hearing dates as previously cited in the Pacific Citizen. The Seattle hearing has been changed from August 18-20 to September 9-11. The Chicago hearing has been changed from September 1,2 to September 22,23, at the Dirksen Federal Office Building, 219 South Dearborn Street, Room 204A.

The witness identification program continues as the first priority in the program phase of the redress campaign. It is difficult to determine the number of witnesses needed to fill the two day hearing agenda in Chicago, however, we have set a goal of being certain that 50 witnesses per day are prepared for oral testimony.

The Chicago Redress Committee is in the process of scheduling workshops for both written and oral testimony. A subcommittee on testimony preparation has agreed to help others in the midwest who plan to give testimony.

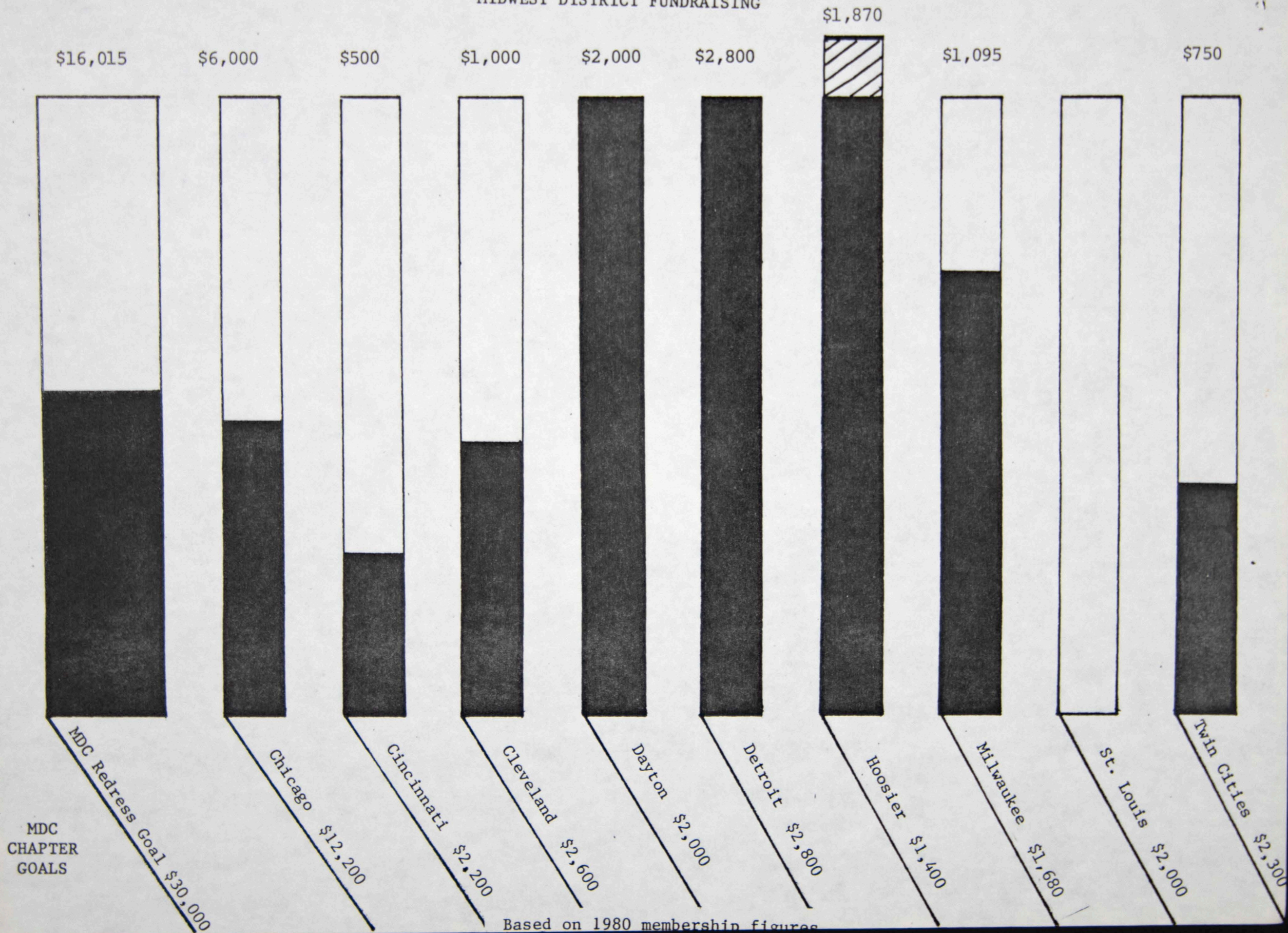
The problem with most written testimonies will be in their clarity, incompleteness, and failure to elaborate in detail. The purpose of this subcommittee is not to edit, restrict or in any way limit what the individual wishes to say. Rather, the subcommittee will try to aid in making the testimony as comprehensive and detailed as possible.

If you know of anyone wishing to avail themselves of this assistance, have them forward a draft of their written testimony to me by July 17. The testimony will be reviewed, suggestions given, and returned to the individual shortly thereafter.

I have enclosed copies of witness biographical data sheets. Please do what you can to identify those wishing to testify. Have the individual complete the data sheet and forward to me. I will then send a testimony preparation packet to the individual.

National Headquarters, San Francisco, California

MIDWEST DISTRICT FUNDRAISING



Based on 1980 membership figures

Midwest District Redress Status Report: June 16, 1981

MIDWEST CHAPTER	FUNDS RAISED TO DATE	% OF GOAL	MEDIA CONTACTS	PERSONAL APPEARANCES	RESOLUTIONS FROM ORGANIZ.	IDENTIFY WITNESSES	OTHER ACTIVITIES
Chicago (Ron Yoshino)	\$ 6,000.	49%					
Cincinnati (Gordon Yoshikawa)	\$ 500.	25%	none	none	none	none	Invited 40 persons to redress meeting; no show
Cleveland (Wade Kojima)	\$ 1,000.	38%	Plain Dealer Mag. sec. 6/14/81	none	none	15 willing to testify	witness workshop held on 6/14/81
Dayton (Kaz Kimura)	\$ 2,000.	100%	none	Sertoma Rotary Optimist Masonic	none	3 willing to testify	Meeting on 6/26 with dist. chr and Cincy reps.
Detroit (Kaz Mayeda)	\$ 2,800.	100%					
Hoosier (Shirley Nakatsukasa)	\$ 1,870.	100+%	none	Indiana Inter-religious Commission	none	3 willing to testify	Library display in Indianapolis libes.
Milwaukee (Julius Fujihira)	\$ 1,095	73%	Milwaukee Journal	Governor's Asian Pacific Advisory Council	Governor's Asian Pacific Advisory Council (in process)	3 willing to testify	
Twin Cities (Sam Honda)	\$ 750	33%	Minneapolis Tribune	St. Paul Toast- masters., Hamline Meth. Church, U. of Minnesota	none	1 willing to testify	
St. Louis (George Sakaguchi)							