

those programs to exist. Like any large-scale undertaking, such programs sometimes are abused.

But it's hardly a reason to gut entire programs that benefit the poor and the near-poor, nor is it a valid reason to penalize the 99 percent of recipients who are honest.

The real fraud in social programs is that almost a third of those eligible don't collect a single dime from any of them. And the real waste consists of the wasted lives and wasted opportunities caused by underfunded programs that don't fully meet national needs.

Fraud and waste are probably less evident in social programs than in other kinds of government programs, if only because the price of their unpopularity has been closer scrutiny.

If the President really wants to go after fraud and waste in government, he might want to stroll over to the Pentagon. There, it is all too common for the cost overruns on a single weapons system to far outstrip the entire cost of the food stamp program.

According to a re-

liberal benefits.

cent Wall Street Jour nal Story citing a top Pentagon official as its source, criminal fraud costs the military \$1 billion a year. Some estimates go higher.

The story was rich in examples. One rope merchant supplied more than 1,000 miles of defective parachute cord. As a former paratrooper, that one hit home. Then there's the one about the supplier who billed a military store for \$34,000 worth of undelivered pizzas.

A Navy inventory found \$116 million worth of "lost" goods, and couldn't find \$89 million of things it was supposed to have in storage — how's that for waste? Such stories could be duplicated by anyone who has ever worn a uniform or who has ever dealt with a large organization.

The worst part of those Presidential remarks about food stamp fraud is that it stokes the fires of meanness in America. It tells the poor that they are beyond the pale. It stigmatizes those who look to their government in a time of need.

Freezing their benefits won't do much to reduce the deficit. But it will heat up the war against the poor that is so damaging to our society.

## JUVENILE COURT SERVICES COMES TO NUCLEUS PLAZA

Las Vegas SENTINEL-VOICE, February 24, 1983

In the belief that Juvenile Court Services need to be provided in the communities where clients live and work, the court operates six Probation Centers, Countywide, from Henderson to North Las Vegas.

The newest addition to this community-based service delivery system is the relocation of two probation services centers to the Nucleus Plaza. This effort became a reality because the community, the county, the city and the court joined together to meet the needs of young people in our area.

Probation Officer Edward Turner played a leadership role in searching out the best possible facility site and building broadbased support for the project. Turner is one of two Program Facilitators who will be responsible for developing and running intensive programming for youthful offenders. With counterpart Buddy Adams and Probation Aides Deanna Reed and David Mangold, the team will work on developing better decision-making skills for young people and providing opportunities for service to the communities in which they live.

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The court welcomes the opportunity to join other respected social agencies at the Nucleus Plaza.



Pictured above is Edward W. Turner, Program Facilitator and Deanna R. Reed, Probation Aide for the North Las Vegas Probation Center. They are show here discussing one of the center's various programs with probationers who are involved in the core program.

## INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for Bid No. 83.3550.12 for construction of: NSA II PHASE II SIDEWALKS, will be received by the City of Las Vegas until 3:00 P.M., Las Vegas time March 1, 1983.

> ALL BIDS MUST BE FILED AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, 10TH FLOOR, CITY HALL COMPLEX, PRIOR TO 3:00 P.M., ON THE DATE ESTABLISHED ABOVE.

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud, immediately after the established closing time and date, in the Office of the Purchasing and Contracts Division, 1st Floor, City Hall Complex, 400 East Stewart Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.

All documents pertinent to this Invitation to Bid may be examined at:

Office of the Purchasing and Contracts Division, 1st Floor, City Hall Construction Notebook, 3131 Meade Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada F. W. Dodge Company, 1100 East Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada

Bid documents may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing and Contracts Division, AT NO CHARGE.

Prospective bidders are requested to direct any questions concerning this project to: Ron K. Delabarre, Contract Specialist, Purchasing and Contracts Division, at 386-6231, between the hours of 9:00 A.M., and 3:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions stipulated by the Owner.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within forty-five (45) calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

A pre-bid conference concerning this project will be held on February 24, 1983, at 8:30 A.M., in the Office of the Purchasing and Contracts Division Conference Room, 1st Floor, City Hall.

The estimated monetary range of this project is \$126,750.00 to \$224,250.00

February 25, 1983, at: ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY BOARD OF CLARK COUNTY

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**PROGRAM AIDE II** 

For Health Services programs to assist in certification of WIC clients by intake,

makes appointments, provides nutri-

tional education, files, issues vouchers,

batches computer forms, etc. Must have ability to perform basic office and pro-

gram tasks as required. Starting salary:

\$4.7179 per hour (\$9,851 annually), plus

Applications accepted until 4:00 p.m.

2228 Comstock Drive North Las Vegas, NV 89030 Phone 647-1890 AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER Dan R. Pullington Dan R. Pilkington, Director

Dated February 3, 1983

Dan R. Pilkington, Director Department of General Services D. E. Donovan, Director Department of Public Services J.E. Park, CPPO Chief, Purchasing and Contracts Division

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