

POSSIBLE LEVELS OF FUNDING, FY 1973

A. STATE-BASED (in thousands)

	<u>FY 1972</u>	<u>FY 1973</u>
operational	16 @ 150 = 2,400	36 @ 150 = 5,400
planning	20 @ 15 = <u>300</u>	19 @ 15 <u>285</u>
	<u>2,700</u>	<u>5,685</u>

Comment: it is unrealistic to raise the grant size in FY 73; all available fund increases will have to go to meeting the enormous increase in the number of states operationally funded, and we will be doing well to be able to hold the grant level at \$150,000---much less increase it.

B. REGIONAL PROJECTS

FY 1972

FY 1973 (in thousands)

\$750

\$1,600

Comment: assumes, purely for projection purposes, that average grant size will be \$30,000 in FY 72, permitting 25 grants, and that average grant size will be \$40,000 in FY 73, permitting 40 grants. This growth is based upon four assumptions: 1) that it is not unreasonable to aim to have the capacity to make at least one grant per state nationally, even assuming a fully operational state-based group; 2) that the grant level should be high enough in dollar amount to have real impact as a "model;" 3) that the grant level should be high enough to permit us to make grants in urban areas with some prospect of impact; and 4) that the grant size should be sufficiently at variance with grants made by state-based groups to not put us into competition with our own state-based groups. The assumptions, in turn, rest upon the following notions of what the purpose of a regional projects program could be:

- 1) to provide an Endowment-controlled public program which reaches broadly by direct grants into the community, and which supports projects which are by their nature too expensive for a state-based group to support (prime example: the cities; the Georgia state-based group could spend its entire grant in Atlanta alone).
- 2) to increase the quality of activity supported by state-based groups by providing a direct model of what such activity can be; otherwise, the Endowment has nothing but words to use to encourage state-based groups to raise their sights; and
- 3) to permit us to encourage some actual regional (i.e., inter-state) cooperation and projects.