



PHILLY BREAKFAST PROGRAM

# SOCIALISM : SERVING THE PEOPLE

Meeting the needs and desires of the broad masses of people is the main concern of the Black Panther Party. We say, "ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!" - But many say this merely as a phrase, not as a truth, but the truth is that ALL power does lie in the hands of the people - not in the hands of a selected few. The Black Panther Party is out to educate the masses of people to the power, this tremendous power, that lies in their hands. But in order to make use of this power the people must first be united and organized. This is the task set before us, to organize the people and educate them to the proper use of this power. Once the people see what they can do in massive numbers, instead of a single entity (individual existence) then they will advance wave upon wave and completely destroy this greedy monster (capitalism), putting it on a starvation diet! But in order to educate we must set examples for the masses to follow, and in setting any examples we have to use the formula of integrating theory with practice. So the theory of socialism (ownership and operation of the means of production and distribution by society) has to be put into practice in order for the masses to become educated to the philosophy of socialism. The Black

Panther Party has proven to the people that the principles of socialism do relate to the broad masses of people. Taking it down to a fundamentally lower level, many of us practiced the basics of socialism - without realizing it, this is how natural a practice it is. Lumpen proletarians (street niggers, in other words) practiced socialism on a low level when your street gangs ripped off the corner supermarket so that you all could eat, Right On! Winos practiced socialism on a low level when you got in your allyway or on your street corner and passed that bottle, Right On! You were distributing whatever you had with those who didn't. Sisters, you practiced socialism. If you needed a cup of sugar, all you had to do was go right next door and get one. That's what it's all about. All of these examples just go to show you that socialism, or the idea of socialism is no big phenomenon it has existed since the early stages of man, but was never advanced from that lower level to a higher level in most countries because of the emergence of capitalism. The Black Panther Party is bringing the idea, or the concept of socialism from a lower to a higher level, with the initiation of the Liberation Schools, Free Breakfast Program, Free Lunch Program, Free Health

Clinics, etc. These are all practices in socialism. Our latest endeavor to meet the needs and desires of the people, the Free Clothing Drive for Welfare Recipients, has proven again to be a correct policy to be carried out along with the other Programs started by the Party. The Free Clothing Drive was initiated to help serve the Welfare Recipients in clothing their children for school and offering free clothing for themselves, because we clearly see that the government does not care if we send our children to school properly dressed or not and Old Dingy Lindsay just doesn't give a damn, so it is the responsibility of the Black Panther Party and every revolutionary collective to see to it that our people are not neglected any longer. So the Black Panther Party will continue to develop these programs to serve the people and constantly raise the political level of the masses to the point where we, on a collective basis, will be organized and armed and we will face this racist, decadent, oppressive capitalist system and shout in unison ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!!

SEIZE THE TIME!  
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NEW YORK CLOTHING PROGRAM