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To: Dr. Beardsley Ruml
From: M. M. Jones

In re: Fourteen Points of Philanthropy
The Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial was founded in 1918 as a memorial to the elder Mrs. Rockefeller. To the original gift further sums have been added until at the present time the total endowment is over $75,000,000. The principal as well as the income of this fund may be used by the Trustees for the promotion of social welfare in any field found promising and without geographical limits.

In the first few years the Memorial's appropriations were largely made to philanthropic and welfare agencies and to the alleviation of distress both at home and abroad. At the present time certain fields of activity are receiving increasing appropriations from the Memorial, namely, the study of child development and child training, research in social science and its relation to public welfare and the development of recreation and leisure time activities.

Among the organizations and activities which have received funds from the Memorial mention may be made of the following: in the field of child study, Teachers College of Columbia University, Federation for Child Study, University of Iowa, Yale University, Monmouth County Organization for Social Service and Brooklyn Maternity Center Association; for research in social science, to the National Bureau of Economic Research, University of Chicago, University of North Carolina, Harvard University, Brookings Graduate School of Political Economy, London School of Economics and the National Research Council; in the recreation field to various national organizations such as the
National Conference on Outdoor Recreation, the Y.W.C.A., Y.M.C.A., Playground and Recreation Association of America, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, American Association of Museums and Interstate Park Commission. In the international field appropriations have been made for emergency relief in Russia, Japan, Germany and the Near East, and for the purchase of books and periodicals by foreign libraries.

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