

4. Adult education and employment training must be accepted as a continuous, integral part of public education. The neighborhood school, community colleges and ETV pose great potential in this area.

We will never eliminate poverty until we eliminate unemployment and underemployment — and with increasing emphasis on sophisticated skills continuous education is essential.

III. Impaction, unemployment and poverty are the three major problems of our cities — all are inextricably linked.

A. Satellite cities, a national welfare program and an intensified educational effort are three major solutions.

B. Obviously, there are many related problems and almost as many plausible solution as alternatives.

C. For Federal, state and local governments alike the most immediate objective is action; setting priorities and selecting programs — without further delay — and selling these new, expensive approaches to the taxpaying public.

NEWS RELEASE AND STATEMENT ON EXPANDED COLLEGE LOAN PROGRAM

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Governor Agnew announced today plans for a greatly expanded college loan program, which he said will enable many more Maryland students to go to college than under the present limited but “totally inadequate” system of scholarship grants.

The program to be outlined to the Maryland Legislature January 17th calls for a gradual phasing out of five present scholarship programs, but not those presently in effect for medical, dental and nursing students.

Scholarship grants would continue for all persons now receiving them, whatever the category of scholarship, but no new grants would be made to freshmen in the five separate programs next fall.

The more than \$1 million that would go into new scholarships next fiscal year would be transferred to the State’s presently insufficient Higher Education Loan Program, Governor Agnew said, as an initial step toward greatly expanding this program of aid to college students.

He estimated that by changing the program now, some \$85 million in aid can be provided over the next five years to college students at