

**NASO is based on programmatic unity with:
The Ten Point Program and Platform New
Afrikan Black Panther Party – Prison Chapter**

1. WE WANT FREEDOM. WE WANT POWER TO DETERMINE THE DESTINY OF OUR BLACK AND OPPRESSED COMMUNITIES We believe that Black and oppressed people will not be free until we are able to determine our destinies in our own communities ourselves, by fully controlling all the institutions which exist in our communities.

2. WE WANT FULL EMPLOYMENT FOR OUR PEOPLE. We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every person employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the American businessmen will not give full employment, then the technology and means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

3. WE WANT AN END TO THE ROBBERY BY THE CAPITALISTS OF OUR BLACK AND OPPRESSED COMMUNITIES. We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and two mules. Forty acres and two mules were promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of Black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of our fifty million Black people. Therefore, we feel this is a modest demand that we make.

4. WE WANT DECENT HOUSING, FIT FOR THE SHELTER OF HUMAN BEINGS. We believe that if the landlords will not give decent housing to our Black and oppressed communities, then housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that the people in our communities, with government aid, can build and make decent housing for the people.

5. WE WANT DECENT EDUCATION FOR OUR PEOPLE THAT EXPOSES THE TRUE NATURE OF THIS DECADENT AMERICAN SOCIETY. WE WANT EDUCATION THAT TEACHES US OUR TRUE HISTORY AND OUR ROLE IN THE PRESENT-DAY SOCIETY. We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of the self. If you do not have knowledge of yourself and your position in the society and in the world, then you will have little chance to know anything else.

6. WE WANT COMPLETELY FREE HEALTH CARE FOR ALL BLACK AND OPPRESSED PEOPLE. We believe that the government must provide, free of charge, for the people, health facilities which will not only treat our

illnesses, most of which have come about as a result of our oppression, but which will also develop preventive medical programs to guarantee our future survival. We believe that mass health education and research programs must be developed to give all Black and oppressed people access to advanced scientific and medical information, so we may provide our selves with proper medical attention and care.

7. WE WANT AN IMMEDIATE END TO POLICE BRUTALITY AND MURDER OF BLACK PEOPLE, OTHER PEOPLE OF COLOR, ALL OPPRESSED PEOPLE INSIDE THE UNITED STATES. We believe that the racist and fascist government of the United States uses its domestic enforcement agencies to carry out its program of oppression against black people, other people of color and poor people inside the United States. We believe it is our right, therefore, to defend ourselves against such armed forces and that all Black and oppressed people should be armed for self defense of our homes and communities against these fascist police forces.

8. WE WANT AN IMMEDIATE END TO ALL WARS OF AGGRESSION. We believe that the various conflicts which exist around the world stem directly from the aggressive desire of the United States ruling circle and government to force its domination upon the oppressed people of the world. We believe that if the United States government or its lackeys do not cease these aggressive wars it is the right of the people to defend themselves by any means necessary against their aggressors.

9. WE WANT FREEDOM FOR ALL BLACK AND OPPRESSED PEOPLE NOW HELD IN U. S. FEDERAL, STATE, COUNTY, CITY AND MILITARY PRISONS AND JAILS. WE WANT TRIALS BY A JURY OF PEERS FOR ALL PERSONS CHARGED WITH SO-CALLED CRIMES UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS COUNTRY. We believe that the many Black and poor oppressed people now held in United States prisons and jails have not received fair and impartial trials under a racist and fascist judicial system and should be free from incarceration. We believe in the ultimate elimination of all wretched, inhuman penal institutions, because the masses of men and women imprisoned inside the United States or by the United States military are the victims of oppressive conditions which are the real cause of their imprisonment. We believe that when persons are brought to trial they must be guaranteed, by the United States, juries of their peers, attorneys of their choice and freedom from imprisonment while awaiting trial.

10. WE WANT LAND, BREAD, HOUSING, EDUCATION, CLOTHING, JUSTICE, PEACE AND PEOPLE'S COMMUNITY CONTROL OF MODERN TECHNOLOGY. When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bonds which have connected them with another, and to

assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and, accordingly, all experience hath shown that mankind are most disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But, when a long train of abuses and usurpation, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.

All members and potential members must study and memorize our Ten Point Program and Platform.



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The 10 Point Program upholds the *Right of Revolution*, but recognizes the importance of revolutionaries going among the people in a non-revolutionary situation and applying the *Mass Line* to take on the concerns of the masses and address them with concrete programs that bring the people together and create *People's Power* on a grassroots level. The Party recognized that revolution is made by the masses and it is the role of revolutionaries to make them conscious, uplift them and raise their sights to see the power of their collective action.

"The 1980 census, consequently, counted fourteen cities with black populations of at least 200,000. Geographically, they spread across the North (New York, Chicago, Detroit, Philadelphia, and Cleveland), the South (Houston, New Orleans, Memphis, Atlanta, and Dallas), the border states (Washington, D.C., Baltimore, and St. Louis), and the West (Los Angeles). Together, these metropolitan giants contained nearly 10.4 million blacks, or approximately 40 percent of all black Americans in 1980....

"According to a number of researchers, the economic status of blacks compared to that of whites has, on average, deteriorated since the early 1970s (Oliver and Shapiro, 1995). Black unemployment rates are more than twice those of whites. Black youths also have more than twice the jobless rate as white youths. Nearly one out of three blacks lives in poverty, compared with fewer than one in ten whites. Nearly one in four blacks remains outside private health insurance or Medicaid coverage. Infant mortality rates have been dropping steadily since 1940 for all Americans, but the odds of dying shortly after birth are consistently twice as high for blacks as for whites. Close to half of all black children officially live in poor households. More than sixty per cent of black babies were born with a single mother. A majority of black children live in families that include their mother but not their father (Oliver and Shapiro, 1995). Generations of spatial isolation and psychological alienation generate a culture in black ghettos, which is defined in opposition to the basic ideals and values of American society. For example, some smart black students have to intentionally flunk some exams so as to be accepted by other black students as friends (Fordham and Ogbu, 1986).

"The current generation of black children are luckier than their grandparents, because they face much less explicit discrimination based on their skin color. However, there is one disadvantageous position that most of them still cannot avoid: they will grow up in a predominantly black neighborhood, where the typical

socio-economic characteristics are high poverty, welfare dependence, single parenthood, high mortality rate, school dropouts, drug abuse, high crime rate, lack of job opportunities, high unemployment rate, and an alienated culture (Wilson 1987, Massey and Denton 1993). Today, in black ghettos is a concentration of almost all social and economic problems that the United States has. What is worse is that the mainstream society becomes more and more indifferent to this reality."

- Black-White Relations: The American Dilemma,
Junfu Zhang

NASO is designed to be a mass organization intermediate between the New Afrikan Black Panther Party and the People as a whole. Its purpose is to unite people broadly on a democratic basis in support of the immediate program of uplifting and serving the inner-city Black communities. Its members need not fully agree with the ideological and political of the Party nor its goal of socialist revolution.

NASO is an activist organization for people who want to do something about their problems and oppression. NASO stands against all oppression. And we believe in people standing up to fight for social justice.



Free Breakfast for Children Program

Rules of Discipline

Those who violate these rules may be reprimanded, suspended or expelled from the organization.

- 1.) Members will conduct themselves in a manner to bring credit to the organization and will treat others with respect and politeness.
- 2.) Members will be sober when on organization business and will not engage in any criminal activity while a member.
- 3.) No member will engage in violence except in the extremity of self-defense.
- 4.) Members will not gossip nor be divisive to the unity of the organization.
- 5.) Members will not act as informers nor work against the purpose of the organization.



POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

Most of all, NASO is about the future and struggling to secure a better future for the children and the generations yet unborn. The struggle for the future begins now, and we must dare to struggle and dare to win! No one is going to save us. We must be our own liberators!