March 31, 1989 - Public Forum ANC/SWAPO
At this forum tear offs were distributed to audience asking people to sign up for certain aspects of the work - phoning, contributing money, attending meetings, etc.

Late May/Early June, 1989
First meeting organized to discuss Dollars campaign in the Capital District - new people who signed up on the 31st of March were called for this meeting - other community leaders invited. Discussions at this and other meetings were centered around using the Dollars campaign as a tool to build a movement - not just complete another project. Several committees were established - Labor, Religious, Student/Raffle and Can Drive, Media.

Throughout the Summer, 1989
The general Dollars committee met every 2-3 weeks. Subcommittees met in between times. Subcommittee reports were given at the general Dollars meeting. Committee coordinators and Coalition Co-chair consulted regularly.

August 25th Committee established
Committee established to organize for major fundraiser "Party with a Purpose - Do the Right Thing." Approximately $2,300.00 raised. Article was done in a regional glossy magazine - Capital.

Religious Action Committee
Letters and Dollars brochures sent to selected clergy and rabbis asking for meetings and time for video showing "Voices from Exile - Hidden Tears."
Individual discussions took place with selected "active" clergy and religious leaders regarding strategy. Outreach was done in a broad way. Presentations were made at Emmanuel Baptist Adult Education Class, Council of Churches Social Justice Committee, Interdenominational Ministers Conference. Future presentations have been secured at two other churches. A proposal has been made to the Interdenominational Ministers Conference that a joint clergy/coalition committee be established to develop on going programs of actions around Southern Africa.

Students
College students from SUNYA, Siena and St. Rose participated in the Dollars campaign. These students were critical to the development of the campaign. SUNYA students were particularly involved. Students took primary responsibility for the raffle and can drive. The raffle netted $425. The can drive brought in $110. There was an effort to increase the organizing skills of students through concrete example and joint planning.
Labor Subcommittee (Incomplete)

Initial discussions with key labor leaders took place early in the summer with an eye toward developing a labor strategy. Other labor activists were identified.

The Black Caucus of PEF sent out 500 Dollars brochures to its members. The A. Philip Randolph Institute and Institute Albany Chapter took brochures to local meetings and distributed brochures at their Labor Day parade. Presentations were made to the Albany Solidarity Committee - they passed resolutions and donated $50.00, Albany Central Labor Federation - they passed a resolution and donated $100.00, the Union of University Professions - they passed a resolution and donated $300. Coalition labor coordinator was also in contact with CSEA statewide representative and local CSEA reps who were also involved in the campaign. Space was offered in the Solidarity newsletter.

Tabling - Tabling was done at: International Festival in Albany, Mel King speaking at event sponsored by Committee for Palestinian Rights and Labor Day parade.

Political Education

Ten-fifteen minute political updates were done at every Dollars meeting. A workshop/discussion was given for Dollars organizers. Approximately 12 people attended.

CDCAAR Mailing

A fundraising appeal letter and the Dollars brochure were sent to the Coalition mailing list. Approximately $600.00 raised.

General

Presentation made to Amnesty International.

GENERAL NETWORK BUSINESS

July, 1989 - Cuba/Nicaragua celebration netted $120.00 for the Network

Sept., 1989 - Presentation at annual conference of N.Y. State Coalition of Nurse Practitioners - $500.00 contribution towards Network.