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## Disparities in U.S. Still Growing, Group Reports

Issued on the anniversary of a landmark 1968 study, the report calls for \$56 billion more in funds for programs like Head Start.

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America has the tools, but not the political will and public push, to close the widening racial and economic division among blacks, Hispanics and Anglos, according to report released today by an urban policy group.

On this date 30 years ago, at the height of the civil rights movement and urban unrest of the late 1960s, the Kerner Commission on Civil Disorders released a report that concluded that the nation was "moving toward two societies, one black, one white -- separate and unequal."

That prediction has become a reality for the very poor in the nation's inner cities.