

dear mama and daddy,
i am still fine, surprise, surprise. seriously, things are really quiet around here. once in a while ~~some~~ someone gets picked up for speeding or ~~something~~, but they still not are beaten or treated in any rough way. the harrassment is much more dirty looks then violence. the place is crawling with fbi people investigating police practices and voting practices so everyone is really well behaved. do not worry.

i like the work i am doing very much and am always changing it a little bit. i have started working with social security, welfare, and unemployment practices - getting local people to learn what they should be doing about these things, and getting the agencies to operate cleaner, and start working on economic redevelopment plans for these areas where there is so much poverty. at the particular time i am helping organize the town into blocks and precincts for the freedom democratic party. you have to teach these people how to run a political machine. they have been doing all their organizing through churches up to now, but need a real political organization.

i work alot, at least there is little idle time, although we don't have a steady schedule each day. i have plenty of time to do what i want when i want it, like my own work, but of course i don't really have any freedom to move. this is a safety precaution. we are not allowed out at night in the community, and preferably should never travel anywhere after dark. there is no difference between a saturday and a tuesday. we are all moving toward the nov. 3 freedom election right now, and are all devoting our efforts to that. when that is finished we can use the political machine we built to organize the people behind other projects. tell me what is new with all of you down there. miss you, and will ~~right~~ write.

love, *Raymond*

by the way, do you have my adress?
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