Drizzle rained down my window pane Up the block was the park and the subway train We party every Friday 'til Sunday came Then it was church, go in my pocket, here's a bunch of change There's sister Johnson giving unusual [?] range She limped in, sat down after she hung up her cane But my mind was on block parties and the summer games As the choir sang to the organ, a drummer banged The preacher had us baptized, but we backslide Born black with pride, afros high as The Jackson 5 Life here was no picket fence and apple pie People relying on just enough cash to survive Projects, the acronym we visualize Projects, where drug dealers and criminals hide The object, to keep us minimized The process, remove fathers from mothers and children lives I know a Blood who's sick but can't see the word "Crip" in the word prescription

I know a Crip with high blood pressure, too much of salt he com $\mbox{\tt mitted}$

Now do we bang on each other, or do we bang on our symptoms? Too much processed beef

Is it artificial sweet? We hypertension

The sickness, we need to fix it

Water to flush our system

Keep us from the morgue and out their prison

Stay off the hog and the chitlins

Hot Fries, Popeyes, where are they getting all of these chicken s?

Turkey jive, Five Guys, it's [?] of addiction

To the place where our hopes and dreams try to fly like birds w ith broken wings

That's why we smoke herb for our dopamines

Melanated culture beings

Celebrated with the host of kings

Projects, people relying on just enough cash to survive

That's why we stay high

Projects, we gaze at the sky

The project lives, we try to get by