

## Local musician records for the homeless

"It's been too long for the homeless to live like they have been, while people don't do anything about it."

So says Grosse Pointe resident Roger Mills who recently — along with a number of his musician friends under the direction of Keep Detroit Beautiful Teens — recorded an original song, *"It's Been Too Long,"* of which will go to help the homeless.

Coming from North Carolina, the singer/songwriter saw the number of homeless in the area and was moved to do something.

"I was touched and moved, and I was inspired to write a song," he said. "You can see these people on the television, but until you really see them, you don't understand."

The song, "It's Been Too Long," reflects Mills' feelings about society's responsibility to the homeless.

"I feel that we, as a people, must do something to help the homeless and help with other things that are wrong in our society," he said.

Mills has been planning to record this song since April; it was recorded last week with some 15 other musicians and

singers from the area.

He said he is not sure when the public will be able to hear it — the KDB Teens, a com-

mittee formed by Detroit Mayor Coleman Young, is in charge of the promotion and getting the record airplay.

"We're hoping and believing people can get it all over, and that it can do some good."

— Ronald J. Bernas



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City resident Roger Mills during the recording session of "It's Been Too Long," a song he wrote for the homeless.