

SUZANNE COPE'S BOOK SPOTLIGHTS THE UNSUNG HEROES WHO FED THE BLACK PANTHER MOVEMENT

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POWER HUNGRY



WOMEN OF THE **BLACK PANTHER PARTY**
AND **FREEDOM SUMMER** AND
THEIR FIGHT TO FEED A MOVEMENT

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The *Linewaiters' Gazette* recently sat down with Coop member and author Suzanne Cope to discuss her recent book, *POWER HUNGRY: Women of the Black Panther Party and Freedom Summer and Their Fight to Feed a Movement* (Chicago Review Press). The timely book touches on themes of food, community, and social justice through the story of two Black women civil rights activists: Cleo Silvers and Aylene Quin. Although they are from Mississippi and New York City respectively, their stories are united through the use of food as a means to support the voting rights and civil rights movements of the 1960s. What follows is a lightly edited conversation.

