Note from the Editor

Starting January I have joined the full-time faculty at Pratt Institute's Graduate Center for Planning and the Environment (GCPE, in case you wondered what those initials meant), further solidifying the close relationship between PN and Pratt. I'm looking forward to working in the Pratt program and its affiliated Pratt Institute Center for Community and Environmental Development (PICCED), which I have long respected for its work in community-based planning.

I leave New York City government after eight years mixed feelings: sad to witness the latest, most devastating "reinvention" of planning as real estate deal-making, and happy to devote more time to teaching, writing and working with communities that have no real estate deals to make.

Please note our fax number has changed.

Networker Comments/Updates

☐ TAX EQUITY. Chuck Collins (35 Hampstead Rd., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130; 617/522-6866; E-mail: ccollins@ttm.com) writes: "After ten years working at the Institute for Community Economics and then directing the HOME Coalition in Massachusetts, I've gotten interested in state and federal tax policy working with the Tax Equity Alliance of Massachusetts (TEAM). TEAM just lost a ballot initiative in Massachusetts that would have replaced our constitutionally required flat tax with a graduated income tax. I'm also still teaching housing and land policy in the New Hampshire College Community Economic Development Program."

☐ AFFORDABLE HOUSING/REGIONAL GOVERNMENT. Tasha Harmon sends this update along from her new home in Portland (1802 SE 27th Ave., Portland, OR 97214; 503/239-1949): "I am currently working as the coordinator for the Community Development Network in Portland, a group of over 20 community-based developers doing mostly affordable housing in the immediate Portland area."

"I am also spending a lot of time working with a newly formed regional planning coalition made up of organizations representing environmental, transportation, affordable housing, and other community advocates. The Coalition for a Livable Future is focusing its initial efforts on integrating the basic planning document that will shape the efforts of our elected regional government known here as Metro. We are also doing a lot of internal education. I worked on an affordable housing briefing for the group recently, and am now putting together a briefing on community redevelopment and revitalization." We are also doing "A lot of internal education. I worked on an affordable housing briefing for the group recently, and am now putting together a briefing on community redevelopment and revitalization."

"I think the group has the potential to build a strong coalition around issues of land speculation and what one person in the group calls 'givings' (as opposed to takings). We will be working in a wide variety of issues in the nine-county area around Portland. It is an exciting process to be part of. I'd love to hear from other PNers who have experienced working on environmental/affordable housing coalitions, or with regional governments."

"My thanks to all of the PNers who contribute far more regularly to the newsletter than I do. I wish I'd had the time and money to be at the conference last spring, and I hope once our family employment/finances are more stable that I'll be able to come to more of such events, as well as perhaps having more energy for writing. In the meantime, I am grateful for the information and inspiration the PN provides. Thanks for all your work."

☐ UC BERKELEY. PNer Judith E. Innes informs us that in July 1994 she was appointed director of UC Berkeley's Institute of Urban and Regional Development (IURD, 316 Wurster Hall, UC-Berkeley, Berkeley, CA 94720-1870; 510/642-4874). Last year she served as co-director (with Edward Blakely), and in 1992-93 as acting director (after Peter Hall's retirement).

☐ ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Jeffrey Stern (174 Garth Road #5S, Scarsdale, NY 10583; 914/773-7809) writes: "I am currently working as a self-employed economic development and planning consultant, specializing in the development, funding and implementation of community-based economic development projects and studies—including designing three micro-enterprise loan funds in the metropolitan NY area, as well as entrepreneurial training programs and Business Improvement Districts. Prior to working as a consultant, I served as Executive Director of the Local Development Corporation of East New York and worked for the NYC Public Development Corporation overseeing the City's In-Place Industrial Park Program."

☐ ECO-CLOTHING. Michael S. Brown says he's "still having fun at Patagonia. Worked with a couple of folks at UCLA, Lynne Hopkins, a planning student, and Dave Allen, a chemical engineering professor, to compare the environment impacts of different transportation modes for our products from fabric to the end customer. See the Fall 1994 issue of Pollution Prevention for a write-up or contact me for a slightly longer version" (Patagonia, P.O. Box 150, Ventura, CA 93002; 805/643-8616; Fax 805/643-1648).

☐ PARTICIPATORY PLANNING. One of our members in Canada, Barbara Rahder, shares with us: "I have just become the Planning Program Coordinator in the Faculty of Environmental Studies at York University, and I am hoping to increase the Faculty's profile as a progressive place to study planning. I currently teach Planning Theory and the
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“My research focuses on community-based planning with marginalized groups. For example, I am just completing a two-year participatory planning project on improving the service system for women at risk of violence. The project has primarily involved native women, immigrant and racial minority women, women with a disability, and rural women at risk. While I have produced numerous reports and delivered several papers on the project (including one at the last ACSP meeting in Phoenix), I am still working on something for (referenced) publication. I have lots of PNers at the APA/CIP conference in Toronto in April.”

Barbara can be reached at the Faculty of Environmental Studies, St. John’s College, 4700 Keele St., North York, Ontario, M3H 1P3, Canada.

Queries

☐ NEIGHBORHOOD TOUR GUIDES. Have you ever been a visitor to a city and wished you could learn the “people’s history” of certain neighborhoods: the planning catastrophes, the concrete victorians, the present day neighborhood struggle? I have been leading a tour in Boston for the last three years which includes visits to community development projects, discussions of neighborhood change and ethnic history. It’s a great way to learn about a community. And Piler Jean Riemman does a great tour of East Boston. I am interested in putting together a directory of people willing to lead neighborhood history tours in different cities. Maybe we could do a periodic update in the Planner’s Network? Contact Piler Jean Riemman, 35 Hampstead Rd., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130; 671/522-4686.

☐ HEALTH CARE/RACE. “The Racial Segregation of Health Care in the US: Assessing the Legacy, Impact and Remedies” is a research project (scheduled for completion Dec. 1996) being undertaken by David Barton Smith, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Smith is soliciting information from persons involved in local struggles related to this history, or who know of individuals important to interview to capture the story, or who have knowledge of other resources. Contact him at the Dept. of Health Administration, Spelman Hall (000-000), Temple University, Philadelphia, PA 19122; 215/204-8082.

Passing the Word

Economic and Community Development

☐ DETROIT ORGANIZING. A new 350-page book edited by Robert Mast, Detroit Lives, contains interviews with Detroit activists and observers committed to rejuvenating their city. Chapters cover grassroots survival organizing, the struggles of women, the African-American experience, the travails of the politics of race and class, the dilemmas of organized labor, theology for the people, etc. Order from Temple University Press, Broad and Oxford Sts., Philadelphia, PA 19122; 215/204-8878. Price is $19.95.

☐ NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZING. Let the People Decide: Neighborhood Organizing in America (updated edition 1994), by Robert Fish. The University of California Press, has just been published by Twayne (a MacMillan imprint); order from 800/257-5755. Cost is $17.95.


☐ MORE CRA. The Community Reinvestment Clearinghouse has just been launched, providing technical assistance, a resource library, regulatory alerts and conferences. Contact The Clearinghouse, New York Law School, 57 Worth St., New York, NY 10013; 212/431-2899.


☐ MORE FULL EMPLOYMENT. Some of the same folks have started the Action Newsletter, published by the Jobs for All Coalition (t/o Coalition on International and Public Affairs, 777 UN Plaza, New York, NY 10017).

☐ COMMUNITY ECONOMICS. The Institute for Community Economics has issued a report on its first ten years (1984-94), Putting Communities in Control. It covers the Institute’s land and community-involved economic ventures. Contact IICE, 57 School St., Springfield, MA 01105-1331, 413/746-8660; Fax 413/746-8862. (continued on page 5)

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There are hundreds of regional and local organizations focusing on environmental justice issues throughout the U.S. Some of them are listed in the box below. At last year’s Planners Network conference in Washington, DC, people from most of these groups made presentations and took part in workshops, in what was hopefully a first step in joining planners to the issues of environmental justice.

The Environmental Justice Movement

The environmental justice movement emerged in the last decade as an expression of rising community protests, a maturation and transformation of a portion of the civil rights movement, and recognition that the mainstream environmental movement failed to focus on environmental degradation as it affected communities of color. In 1987 the United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice, under the leadership of Reverend Ben Chavis, completed a study, Toxic Wastes and Race in the United States, which documented the disproportionate exposure of communities of color to toxic waste facilities. In 1990, Robert Bullard of UC-Riverside published Dumping in Dixie: Race Class and Environmental Quality. These were the first of many reports, articles and books touching on the subject.

In 1991, groups and coalitions of grass roots activists came together at the National People of Color Environmental Leadership Summit in Washington, DC. The Summit challenged the nation’s major environmental organizations to recognize their issues and open up their organizations to people of color. Some activists from the People of Color Summit attended the United Nations Summit on the Environment in Rio, where they shared concerns about environmental justice with representatives from Africa, Asia and Latin America. One activist told me how the experience helped her to understand the global problem of wasteful consumption by the rich, whose conception of environmental action is to limit the negative impacts of pollution on wealthy communities and export poor communities to consume less.

The division of the natural environment affects everyone to one degree or another, and everyone has a stake in improvement of the general quality of life. Race and class are mediating factors, but not the only ones. This is the basis for the shared attendance with the traditional environmental organizations and addressing the wasteful regimes of urban

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Environmental and Planning

Environmental concerns raised by communities of color are often seen by others as just another example of NIM- BY, relegated to the category of "special interests" to be dealt with by specialized planners, mostly people of color. Environmental planning tends to be understood as a "color blind" science. Because some communities of color are perceived with survival it is assumed that the air and water quality, conservation of natural resources, and the elimination of waste in production and consumption is more and more difficult to maintain this assumption because of the growing movement for environmental justice.

Most planners probably recognize that environmental issues are integral to urban planning and are affected by the use and development of land and other resources; different forms of urban development affect energy consumption and the quality of the natural and built environments. Long before there was an environmental movement, Patrick Geddes, Lewis Mumford, regional planning advocates and many others argued for the central importance of environmental concerns. Many progressive planners helped fight the inequities and injustices of the dominant policies of a national urban policy that displaced communities of color through urban renewal and highway programs, and fostered exclusionary, sprawl urban development that denigrated land, air and water.

When an environmental movement arose in the 1970s, planners began looking for ways to make urban development more energy efficient. A whole generation of planners cut their teeth on growth control regulations, planned unit developments, infrastructure planning and Environmental Impact Statements. Environmental impact statements often included environmental concerns too often function in a narrow technical role in support of the status quo. They rationalized the new generation of exclusionary suburban land use regulations which use the environment as a shield. Racially coded environmental controls are often applied to maximize the interests of white suburbs and to protect the exclusive municipal enclaves defended by auto-centered sprawl. Using concepts such as "risk assessment," the unspoken assumption is that mitigating risks to the suburban majority must take precedence over mitigating risks to communities of color in central cities and rural towns.

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What Planners Can Do

Planners can play an important role in addressing environmental racism. For example, we can help identify the impacts of waste management and pollution to communities of color and work with communities to mitigate and eliminate them. Transportation planners can help communities polluted by freeways and traffic corridors, and promote mass transit. Community economic development efforts can include clean industrial pollution and reclamation projects. We can join efforts to plan for healthy communities (see PN #108). And we can help other planners recognize environmental racism as a fundamental planning issue.

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I believe the Planners Network should take the lead in discussing, debating, developing and proposing urban alternatives for a socialist metabolism in the U.S. This can be part of a larger effort to develop a vision of a new participatory democratic society.

Socialism?

Socialism may not be the best name for this new society, since most people in this country the word connotes government ownership of the means of production and Soviet-style central planning. I believe instead that socialism is a society without class exploitation, without gender or racial exploitation, but also without bosses, in which men and women invent and perfect decision making structures and mechanisms that eventually allow them, and not the state, to take direction of their own destinies.

Any possibility of ending exploitation requires the development of an alternative, a totally new direction that people can begin to think about. There is no widely debated alternative now. The contrary, the demise of the centrally planned economies has reinforced the notion that humans cannot and should not live in society a conscious direction. We are told over and over that only the so-called free market, meaning private gain and profits, guarantees progress and freedom.

Participatory Democratic Planning

In my view, the main question to be addressed is the following. How can ordinary citizens at different geographic levels make decisions about planning their own society's resources in a future society where corporate government and planners no longer make investment decisions? There will always be economic scarcity and opportunity costs, but what mechanisms can be developed to help decide between equally necessary or beneficial social investments? What methods and principles, in addition to fairness, would guide these decisions?

For example, how could a decision be reached between building a community recycling swimming pool or a recreation hall for senior citizens? In a truly democratic society these issues would appear constantly, just as they do today, but they would have to be resolved by workers and consumers themselves. What type of planning bodies could be developed to facilitate this grassroots decision-making, and how could these bodies be adapted to urban al time needs in different communities or regions be weighed? What Does PN Have to Offer?

I believe many PNers share my belief that as important as it is to fight back and resist, the urban movements many of us are attached to or work with can never reach their long-range goals within the existing capitalist system. Of course, Planners Network is a tiny organization compared to the multifaceted popular movement in this country. For example, one organization alone — the National Clearinghouse on Hazardous Waste, which was not mentioned in last year's newsletter — is a coalition of more than 7,000 groups from all over the country! PN has practically no resources to offer this movement. But we may have something that the movement does not have. We don't have the technical expertise, theoretical understanding of the metropoli tans, and practical connections with urban movements that would allow us to develop a fundamental critique of U.S. cities that no other group is willing to qualified to do. We are qualified to do more than show what's wrong with our cities and our country. As a group, we have the unique ability to initiate and organize a discussion of what our cities could look like and how we could get them. This discussion is sorely needed as an antidote to burn-out and parochialism.

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Regional Growth and Community Development

The first issue of Criminology, a new journal published three times a year by HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research, presents edited versions of papers commissioned by the Office of Growth and Community Development Conference held in November 1993. Call HUD USER at 800/245-2691. Cost is $0.40 per issue.

Tax Justice

Two-year study group has led to the formation of the "Share the Wealth Project," which is educating and organizing citizens about the growing wealth in the United States and proposing several fair taxation initiatives. For information and billing, contact the Share the Wealth Project, 35 Hampstead Rd., Boston, MA 02130; 617/522-6666.

Rural Manufacturing/Foreign Trade


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Our "socialist" approach (or whatever we decide to call it) could participate in or help organize PN discussions on several topics: transportation, recycling or neighborhood planning. Perhaps not everyone will agree that under capitalism democratic institutions are set up to exclude people from meaningful participation in the decision-making process. Not everyone will agree on what a new society should be like. But everyone should be willing to ask the right questions and consider different answers. We can share our proposals with people in progressive movements we work with. We can incorporate the ideas and experiences of groups that grapple every day with the issue of resource allocation and democratic participation.

One of the first things we could do is to develop a discussion document showing how planning is done in a particular functional area, with a critique of the process and proposals for alternative decision making. The proposals could include short- and medium-term solutions which contain the seeds of a truly democratic process.

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□ TOXIC WASTE. Political Ecology Group's Action Paper #2, Toxic Empire: The WMK Corporation, Hazardous Waste and Toxic Waste. Environmental Justice is a 32-page case study of WMX (formerly Waste Management, Inc.). It is available in Spanish or English from PEG, 519 Castro St., Box 7, San Francisco, CA 94114 or E-mail: peg@conet.spc.org. The price is $1.50; bulk rates provided; free to communities actively fighting WMX.

□ NEIGHBORHOOD TECHNOLOGY. Place Matters, the quarterly newsletter of the Center for Neighborhood Technology, brings news of three new publications: Community Green Line Initiative: Land Use, Community Economic Development and Public Transit, by Michael Freedberg ($5.00 each issue); Race and the Local Economy: A Case Study of the Berkeley Serial MRV, by Urban Ore and the Center for Neighborhood Technology ($2.50); and An Alternative to the Northeast Incinerator: Reducing Waste, Stimulating Economic Development and Creating Jobs Instead of Pollution, by Bill Eyring, Kevin Greens and Franklin Loxam ($5.00). Postage and handling for each is $2.50. To order, contact Brigit Torres (312/278-4800 ext. 140), or write the Center for Neighborhood Technology, 2125 W. Voth Ave., Chicago, IL 60625.

□ SAVING TREES DURING DEVELOPMENT. The National Arbor Day Foundation is sponsoring, "Building With Trees," a full-day workshop providing the tools to save trees during building and land development. Dates and places for 1994 workshops are: Feb. 24 (Indianapolis), March 7 (Cincinnati), Apr. 28 (Anchorage), Nov. 1 (Minneapolis), and Nov. 3 (Grand Rapids). Contact the foundation at 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410; 402/474-5655.

□ MORE ECOLOGY NEWS. The Ecoscene Network of Eco News, 5151 N. Hoyne Ave., Building 5, 4247 Telegraph Ave. W2, Oakland, CA 94609. Mailing list $25; membership, $50.

□ INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTALISM. The Center for International Environmental Law (CIEL) recently started publishing the CIEL Brief, which is distributed without charge (subscriptions requested). CIEL also has a publications list. Write them at 1621 Connecticut Ave. NW Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036; phone: 202/322-4840; Fax 202/322-4865; E-mail: cielus@cpiap.org.

□ ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE/MILITARY CONVERSION. The Spring-Summer 1994 special double issue of Race, Poverty and the Environment, a journal for social and environmental justice issues related to military conversion. Subscriptions for this quarterly magazine are $15; $30 for institutions; free for low-income persons and community groups. Write RPE c/o Earth Island Institute, 300 Broadway, Suite 28, San Francisco, CA 94133-3132.


□ HEALTH CARE/WELFARE. A Study of the Relationship of Health Care to Welfare Dependency, by Sarah Shaprio et al. (1994), is available (free from the Southern Institute on Children and Families, 2725 Devine St., Columbia, SC 29205; 803/779-2607.

□ HOUSING

□ HOUSING/DEVELOPMENT LENDING. The Federal Housing Finance Board held hearings Dec. 8 and 9 1994 on the System's contribution to housing and community development lending. Information from Scott Baker, FHFB, 1777 F St. NW, Washington, DC 20006; 202/408-2980.

□ HOUSING RIGHTS/EUROPE. The Home to a Future - The Right to a Future is the 3rd report of the European Observatory on Homelessness. Available for 7.5 ECU (ca. $9 - banks can provide this currency; no other kind of payment accepted) from FEANTSA, 1 rue Defacqz, 1050 Brussels, Belgium.

□ SEGREGATION. "Housing Segregation and Local Discretion," by Philip Ng, Tegeler, the American Journal of Sociology, Vol. 101 (1994) of the Journal of Law and Policy. Reports may be available from Tegeler, CCLUP, 32 Grand St., Hartford, CT 06103.

□ TENANTS/HOUSING POLICY. "Low-Income Tenants and Federal Housing Policy" is a series of 4 VHS tapes, from the University of Michigan's 1993 Fannie Mae University Colloquium, featuring such experts as Irene Johnson of Chicago's Lawn Chair Courts public housing project, Marilyn Mullane of Michigan Legal Services, Jim Grow of the National Housing Law Project, and Andrew Scheer of Legal Services for NYC. Topics are: "Tenant Control in Public Housing"; "Tenant Security in the Private Rental Market"; "Tenant Organizing and Resident Empowerment"; "Housing at Risk: SRO and Expanding Use Issues." Price is $15 per tape, plus $4 shipping/handling per order from Creative Video, PO Box 130314, Ann Arbor, MI 48113.


□ SRO/ELDERLY. Resource Guide on Single Room Occupancy Housing (SRO) for Older People, by Victor Regnier and Julie Comrie. Available from the National Eldercare Information Line on Housing and Supportive Services (48 pp., March 1994), is available ($12, payable to the Andrus Gerontology Center) from the Center, USC, 3715 McClintock Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90089-0191.

□ HOUSING TRUST FUND. The Federal Housing Trust Fund Act of 1994 (HR 2575) has been introduced by Rep. Major Owens. This very detailed piece of legislation, to be funded by reform of the homeownership deduction, has been developed by the National Low Income Housing Coalition/ Low Income Housing Information Service. Information and copies of bill from them at 1012 14th St. NW #1200, Washington, DC 20005; 202/662-1530. Endorsements are being sought.


□ MORE INTERNATIONAL HOUSING RIGHTS. The Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions (COHRE) has prepared a draft International Convention on Housing Rights as a means of promoting international debate and gaining widespread support for further legal action strengthening existing housing rights provisions. Contact COHRE at Postbus 15190, 3501 Utrecht, Netherlands; tel 51-30-731796.

□ LOW-INCOME HOUSING/GAO, GAO has recently released two reports on low-income housing: Resolution Trust Corp. Affiliates: A Forum for Achieving Mixed Results (GAO/GGD-94-207, Sept. 1994) and Expand- ing HUD's Options for Dealing with Physically Disseminated Properties (GAO/GGD-94-37). Both are available free from GAO, PO Box 6015, Gaithersburg, MD 20885-6015.


□ MORTGAGE HOUSING/MANAGEMENT. The Fair Housing Information Clearinghouse (FHIH) has materials available related to guidelines for architects and builders to comply with the 1988 Fair Housing Amendments Act as well as materials and information on the Fair Housing Act of 1994 (March/April). Contact 800/343-3442 (TDD: 800/483-2209).

□ AFFORDABLE HOUSING/MANAGEMENT. Controlling the Management Challenge: Affordable Housing in the Nonprofit Sector, a new publication of the Community Development Research Center for Social Research, looks at the ability of nonprofits to maintain a viable stock of affordable housing over the long term, and provides a guide for improving both management capabilities and strategies. Single copies free; contact Stephanie McQueen or Eric Feliciano: 212/229-5415.
LINKING COMMUNITY ACTION AND EQUITY PLANNING:
PLANNERS NETWORK 1995 CONFERENCE

May 19-21, 1995
State Community College, 601 Thompson Boulevard
East St. Louis, Illinois

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- Planners Tours of the Mississippi River, Cahokia Mounds and Farmers Market (Sunday)
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Register Now! Space is limited.

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Name _____________________________________________

Title/Organization __________________________________

Address _____________________________________________

City ____________________ State ______ Zip ____________ Country __________________

Phone (day) ____________________ Fax ____________________ E-mail ____________________

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Arrival Date: ____________________ Departure Date: ____________________

No. of Rooms: ____________ Total Persons: ____________ Adults: ________ Children: ________

Name: ____________________ Address: ____________________

Phone: ____________________ Group: ____________________

Accommodations Desired: King-sized bed 2 double beds Smoking Non-smoking

Want to room with others? Yes No Preferred roommate characteristics: No gender

Maximum number: 1 ________ 2 ________ 3 ________ Smoker: Yes No

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This coalition will produce a resident-designed and ratified Neighborhood Master Plan—a grassroots plan for community improvement. Organizing will take place from the bottom up with planning committees will be formed. Focusing on what makes the neighborhood a good place to live, the plans will be designed to protect and enhance the neighborhood’s assets, encourage economic development and create a framework for progressive change.

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Suggested PN Contributions Revised

Planners Network has always survived thanks to the voluntary contributions of the people who receive the newsletter. The Steering Committee recommends a sliding scale based on income. In this issue, we have slightly altered the recommendation. Of course, the financial contribution remains voluntary and we will continue to keep people on the list who communicate with the Network and contribute in other ways, annually. Many thanks to the generous Net-

New suggested contributions:

Income
Minimum Contribution
Under $25,000, students, unemployed $15
$25,000-$50,000 $25
Over $50,000 $45

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Atlanta Neighborhood Development Partnership, 57 Forsyth St., NW, Suite 1250, Atlanta, GA 30303.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PRR/WASHINGTON. The Poverty and Race Research Action Council (PRRAC) is seeking a new Assistant Director. Send letter of interest, resume, salary requirements, and names of three references to right away to PReo Center Hartman, PRRAC, 1711 Con-
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JUNIOR POLICY ASSOCIATE/WASHINGTON. Robert Rapoport Associates (601 Penn. Ave. NW #50, Washington, DC 20004; 202/393-5225), a small consulting firm which represents local, regional and national housing, community development and rural issues, is seeking a Junior Policy Associate, an entry level position.

VICTIM ADVOCATE/CHINESE SPEAKING/NYC. The Committee Against Anti-Violence is seeking a Community Organizer/Victim Advocate. Proficiency in Chinese needed. Contact CAAA, 191 E. 3 St., New York, NY 10009; 212/473-6485.

ARCHITECT/ATLANTA. The Community Design Center of Atlanta seeks an Architect to work on its housing, homeless, handicapped access and economic development projects. Apply to them, 1085 Avenu NE #1, Atlanta, GA 30307; 404/523-0696; Fax 404/523-0741.


FAIR HOUSING/RALEIGH. The North Carolina CLient and Community Development Development Committee has two positions available: a Fair Housing Field Director; a Chief Investigator for housing discrimination complaints; a Test Coordinator for housing discrimination complaints; and an Education Coordinator. All, send resume, writing sample, three references to the Center, PO Box 28958, Raleigh, NC 27611; 919/836-2178.

LABOR RESEARCH/CHICAGO. The Midwest Center for Labor Research is hiring an Associate Director of Policy Development to develop and coordinate its "New Chicago Campaign." Send resume, writing sample, letter to Jacqui Clotet, MCLR, 3411 W. Diversey Ave. #10, Chicago, IL 60647; 312/278-5418. Jan. 15 closing date (call to see if it's extended).

CHILD ADVOCACY/WASHINGTON. The National Association of Child Advocates is seeking a Director of Child Health Advocacy. Send resume, letter, salary requirements to Eve Brooks, NACA, 1625 K St. NW #510, Washington, DC 20006.

ANTI-NIMBYISM/WASHINGTON. The Campaign for New Community, a new project sponsored by the Interfaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington and The Council of Churches, is seeking a Project Director. The Campaign is a three-year research, public information/ education, community outreach and legal/regulatory project designed to overcome legal and oppositional barriers to services for housing and poor homeless persons. High $30s. Send resume and letter to the Campaign, c/o Interfaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington, 1419 V St. NW, Washington, DC 20009.

HOUSING RESEARCH. The National Housing Institute is looking for a researcher (faculty member, graduate student, independent researcher) to complete a report on the PRAC-funded project dealing with the racial impacts of the homeowner's deduction. They want to measure the distribution of current benefits by race and project the distribution of the benefits under NHA's reform proposal. Moderate stipend available. Contact Pat Morrissey, NIH, 439 Main St., Orange, NJ 07050; 201/487-3110.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/DELAWARE. People's Place, a large human service nonprofit organization serving rural downsized Delaware, is seeking a replacement for its retiring executive. Start date May 1. Must have Masters, PhD preferred. Send salary requirements and a request for application to people's Place, 1202 Walnut St., Milford, DE 19963; 302/422-8011; Fax 302/422-8027.

DEPARTMENT CHAIR/VERMONT. The University of Vermont's Dept. of Community Development and Applied Economics is seeking a department chairperson. Anticipated position will be filled by July 1, 1995. Complete applications should be submitted by Feb. 1, 1995, but the Search Committee will continue to receive applications until a suitable candidate is selected. Send a letter of application, current vita and three letters of recommendation to Dr. A. H. Gilbert, Chair CADBE Search Committee, Aiken Building, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT 05405-0088.

PROFESSOR/INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT/MAS. The Policy and Planning Dept., part of the College of Management, University of Massachusetts at Lowell is building an interdisciplinary focus in industrial revitalization and technology and innovation, and labor markets and training. They seek a colleague—junior or senior—from any disciplines to add to this focus. Applicants should have a doctorate or be near completion. Send resume and sample paper to Philip M. Dept, Chair, Dept. of Policy and Planning, University of Massachusetts at Lowell, Lowell, MA 01854; 508/934-2787; Fax 508/934-3035; E-mail: mcspoon@tufts.edu. Deadline Feb. 1, 1995.

HEALTH OUTREACH/NYC. The Commission on the Public's Health Rights, Health Outreach/Education Coordinator. Salary $30,000-$35,000. Send resume and cover letter (writing samples also helpful) by Jan. 28 to Commission on the Public’s Health Rights, 215 West 125th St., Room 400, New York, NY 10027-4426; 212/316-9393.

Funding and Fellowships

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Suggested PN Contributions Revised

Planners Network has always survived thanks to the voluntary contributions of the people who receive the newsletter. The Steering Committee recommends a sliding scale based on income. In this issue, we hope simply to change the recommendation. Of course, the financial contribution remains voluntary and we will continue to keep people on the list who communicate with the Network and contribute in other ways annually. Many thanks to the generous Net-

ural contributions who send in amounts ranging up to a hundred dollars.

New suggested contributions:

Income Minimum Contribution
Under $25,000, students, unemployed $15
$25,000-$50,000 $25
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To tell quickly when you last supported PN, look for the date after your name on the mailing label. We suggest contributing at least once each year, and we change (or add) the date whenever we get a check.

Atlanta Neighborhood Development Partnership, 57 Forsyth St., NW, Suite 1250, Atlanta, GA 30303.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR PRRC/WASHINGTON.
The Poverty and Race Research Action Council (PRRAC) is hiring a new Assistant Director. Send letter of interest, resume, and three references to: PRRC 1711 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20009. February or March starting dates.

JUNIOR POLICY ASSOCIATE/WASHINGTON.
Robert Rapson Associates (601 Penn. Ave. NW #50, Washington, DC 20004; 502/393-2522), a small consulting firm which represents local, regional and national housing, community development and rural issues, is seeking a Junior Policy Associate, an entry level position.

VICTIM ADVOCATE/CHINESE SPEAKING/NYC.
The Committee Against Anti-Asian Violence is seeking a Community Organizer/Victim Advocate. Proficiency in Chinese needed. Contact CAAIA, 191 E. 3 St., New York, NY 10009; 212/473-6485.

ARCHITECT/ATLANTA.
The Community Design Center of Atlanta seeks an Architect to work on its housing, homeless, handicapped access and economic development projects. Apply to them, 1085 Austin Ave NE #1, Atlanta, GA 30307; 404/523-4696; Fax 404/523-0741.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT/WASHINGTON.
The Fair Employment Council of Greater Washington is looking to hire a Project Coordinator. Cover letter, resume, writing sample to Lauren Brown at the Council, 1300 19th St. NW #320, Washington, DC 20036; 202/463-7088.

FAIR HOUSING/RALEIGH.
The North Carolina Chapter and Community Development Fund is accepting applications for four positions available: a Fair Housing Project Director; a Chief Investigator for housing discrimination complaints; a Test Coordinator for housing discrimination complaints; and a Community Educator. All, send, writing sample, three references to the Center, PO Box 28958, Raleigh, NC 27611; 919/856-2178.

LABOR RESEARCH/CHICAGO.
The Midwest Center for Labor Research is hiring an Associate Director of Policy Development to develop and coordinate its New Chicago Campaign." Send resume, writing sample, letter to Jacqui Johnson, MCLR, 3411 W. Diversey Ave. #10, Chicago, IL 60647; 312/278-5418. Jan. 15 closing date (call to see if it's been extended).

CHILD ADVOCACY/WASHINGTON.
The National Association of Child Advocates is seeking a Director of Child Health Advocacy. Send resume, letter, salary requirements to: Eve Brooks, NACA, 1625 K St. NW #510, Washington, DC 20006.

ANTI-NIMBYISM/WASHINGTON.
The Campaign for New Communities, a new project sponsored by the Interfaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington and The Council of Churches of Greater Washington, is seeking a Project Director. The Campaign is a three-year research, public information/ education, community outreach and legal/regulatory project designed to overcome oppositional barriers to services and housing for poor and homeless persons. High $30s. Send resume and letter to the Campaign, c/o Interfaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington, 1419 V St. NW, Washington, DC 20009.

HOUSING RESEARCH.
The National Housing Institute is looking for a researcher (faculty member, graduate student, independent researcher) to complete a project on the PRRAC-funded project dealing with the racial impact of the homeowner's deductibility. They want to measure the distribution of current benefits by race and to project the distribution by race of proceeds under NUS's reform proposal. Modest stipend available. Contact Pat Morrissey, NIH, 439 Main St., Orange, NJ 07050; 201/687-3110.

DIRECTOR/DELWARE.
People's Place, a large human service nonprofit organization serving rural northeast Delaware, is seeking a replacement for its retiring executive. Start date May 1. Must have Masters, PhD preferred. Send salary requirements and a request for application to: People's Place, So. Walnut St., Middletown, DE 19963; 302/422-8011; Fax 302/422-8027.

DEPARTMENT CHAIR/VERMONT.
The University of Vermont's Dept. of Community Development and Applied Economics is seeking a department chairperson. Anticipated position will be filled by July 1, 1995. Complete applications should be submitted by Feb. 1, 1995, but the Search Committee will continue to receive applications until a suitable candidate is selected. Send a letter of application, current vita and three letters of recommendation to Dr. A. H. Gilbert, Chair CDAE Search Committee, Aiken Building, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT 05405-0088.

PROFESSOR/INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT/MASS.
The Policy and Planning Dept., part of the College of Management, at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell is building an interdisciplinary focus in industrial revitalization and technology and innovation, and labor markets and training. They seek a colleague—junior or senior—from any disciplines to add to this focus. Applicants should have a doctorate or be near completion. Send resume and sample paper to: Phillip Mos, Dept. Chair, Dept. of Policy and Planning, University of Massachusetts at Lowell, MA 01854; 508/934-2787; Fax 508/934-3035; E-mail: mmos@wuhul.uleth.ca. Deadline: Feb. 1, 1995.

HEALTH OUTREACH/NYC.
The Committee on the Public's Health System, Committee on Health and Outreach/Education Coordinator. Salary $30,000-$35,000. Send resume and cover letter (writing samples also helpful) to: 28 to Commission on the Public's Health System, c/o Patient's Rights Hotline, 215 West 125th St., Room 400, New York, NY 10027-4426; 212/316-9393.

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The Planners Network Newsletter is published six times a year as the principal means of communication among Network members. Annual financial contributions are voluntary, but we need funds for operating expenses. The Steering Committee has recommended the following amounts as minimums for Network members: $15 for those with incomes under $5,000; $25 for those between $5,000 and $20,000; and $45 for those over $20,000.

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RURAL DEVELOPMENT. The Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) has launched a rural development program aimed at assisting community development corpora-
tions in rural communities. This $1 million, four-year effort will deliver grants, pre-development and development loans, bridge financing, equity and secondary market resources, technical assistance, training and public policy support. A Request for Qualifications and additional information are available from LISC, 1825 K St. NW #009, Washington, DC 20006; 202/785-8030.

Conferences

SOCIAL SECURITY. The National Academy of Social Insurance is sponsoring its 7th Annual Conference and Mem-


CHILDREN/HUNGER. "Campaign to End Childhood Hunger: Building Strength through Diversity and Partner-
ships" is the 1995 annual conference of the Food Research and Action Center Feb. 22-23 in Washington, DC. Information from FRAC, 1875 Connecticut Ave. NW #540, Wash-
ington, DC 20009; 202/986-2200.

HOUSING JUSTICE. The National Low Income Housing Coalition's 1995 Annual Conference, "Take Action for Housing Justice," will take place Feb. 25-27 in Wash-
ington, DC. Contact NHLHC, 1012 Fourteenth St. NW, Suite

CHILD WELFARE. "Children '95: The Future of Child Welfare" is the national conference and 75th anniversary celebration of the Child Welfare League of America, March 1-3 in Washington, DC. Information from CWL, 440 First St. NW #310, Washington, DC 20001-2085; 202/942-0303.

ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN. The 26th Annual Confer-
ence of the Environmental Design Research Association will be held March 1-5, 1995 in Boston, Mass. Themes include "Housing, neighborhood, community, public facilities," "Ecological and sustainable development," and "Policy public policy." Contact Jack L. Nuer, Peg Gormez, Kenneth Hansy, Dept. of City and Regional Planning, Ohio State University, 289 Brown Hall, 190 W. Seventeenth Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43210.

HOMELESS HOUSING. "Service-Enriched Permanent Housing" and "Homeless Families Program," sponsored by Beyond Shelter, will be held March 6-8 in Anaheim. Information from Natalie Prentaf, Beyond Shelter, 402 Wilshire Blvd. #501, LA, CA 90010; 213/527-0793.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH. "Systems Reform for Maternal-Child Health" is the 1995 Annual Meeting of the Association of Maternal and Child Health, March 11-15 in Washington, DC. Invited or confirmed speakers include Mary Jo Bane, Philip Lee, Carol Rasco and Janet Reno. Information from AMCHC, 1350 Connecticut Ave. #803, Washington, DC 20036; 202/ 775-0436.

COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT. The National Community Reinvestment Coalition is holding its national conference March 25-28 in Washington, DC. Information from the Coalition, 1875 Connecticut Ave. NW #1010, Washington, DC 20009; 202/986-7099.

WOMEN/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. "The Ms. Foundation for Women's 7th Annual Conference on Women and Economic Development will be held Apr. 6-9, 1995 at the Chaminade Conference Center in Santa Cruz, Calif. This training event for grassroots and new social entrepreneurs will focus on the field of economic development, fosters learning and empowerment through classes, workshops, speakers, and celebrations." For more information, contact Brenda Bush, Ms. Foundation for Women, 120 Wall St., 33rd Fl., New York, N.Y. 10005; 212/742-2300; Fax 212/742-1653.

SOCIOLOGY OF HOUSING. The 10th annual confer-
ce on the sociology of housing will be held May 5-6, 1995 in Minneapolis at the Radisson Conference. Information is available by fax or abstracts by Feb. 1 to Yussif Misors, 240 McNeal Hall, 1985 Buford Ave., University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN 55108; Fax 612/624-2700.

MULTICULTURALISM. "Creating an Inclusive Society: Changing Patterns of Race and Ethnicity" is the 10th annual national conference of the National Multicul-

tural Institute June 1-4 in Washington, DC. Dr. Alvin Poussaint is the keynote speaker. Information from NMC, 3000 Connecticut Ave. NW #438, Washington, DC 20008; 202/483-0700.

LAND TENURE. A conference on Who Owns America? Land and Resource Tenure Issues in a Changing Environment will meet in Madison, Wis., June 21-25, 1995, sponsored by the University of Wisconsin Land Tenure Center's North American Program. The conference will focus on historical and contemporary tenure systems and their relation to a wide range of issues, including tenure systems and resource produc-

CLINICT AT MIDTERM. "Clinton's Midterm Report Card: Voices from the Trenches," a gathering of scholar activists and grassroots activists, will be held June 22-23 at the University of TN-Knoxville. Information from Project South, 250 Georgia Ave. #344, Atlanta, GA 30312; 404/ 584-7141.

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