Networker News

☐ NEW PN ROSTER. Our last Planners Network Membership Roster was published in June 1991, and we're overdue for a new one. The Roster is one of our most useful activities, enabling members to make contacts with people working in similar fields, living in the same area or when travelling. Ideally, a short biosketch should appear for each of our members, but that requires a response from everyone. A PN Roster Biosketch Form appears on page 9 of this issue. Please complete and return it (if possible with a special Roster financial contribution) by September 1. If you're short on time or prefer not to complete the full biosketch, just send in the form with your phone numbers and check off your interests and occupation.

☐ IT'S TIME TO RENEW! Many of you know it's time to renew since you've recently received a friendly reminder, together with a renewal form requesting the same information as the roster form. Hence, no need to send in the roster form if you've already returned your renewal.

☐ STEERING COMMITTEE. The new Steering Committee was elected for a four-year term. Thirty-two ballots approved the entire slate and 29 the three co-chairs.

Networker Updates

☐ A WORD FROM PN CO-CHAIR. Ann Forsyth, one of PN's newly re-elected co-chairs, writes from Australia via PN's new on-line service. She's spending the rest of 1995 in Sydney. Her address there is Macquarie University, Graduate School of the Environment, Macquarie, NSW 2109, Australia. Fax: 011 612 8507972. Her e-mail address remains the same: forsyth@larp.umass.edu.

☐ URBAN UNDERGROUND REUNION. PNet David Rouge has been involved in organizing a reunion of the Urban Underground, an organization of late-1960s NYC radical planners. Urban Underground folks and other members of the NYC Movement for a Democratic Society, are invited to the reunion: Sunday, Sept. 17. Time: 2-5 PM. Meet old friends and colleagues, enjoy good food and drink. RSVP: Dave Rouge, 2/21673-7753. He's still trying to locate Paul Becker, Susie Orbach, Lynn Astin and Ellen Stone.

☐ PNet HONORED. "Mel King: A Life Committed to Community Development," a tribute to the Director of MIT's Community Fellows Program, appears in vol. 5, no. 2 (1994) of the Kellogg Foundation's International Journal.

☐ PN WELCOMES NEW PUBLICATION. PNet Sean Robin announces a new publication, The Indigenous Planning Times, "that addresses issues of race in planning." He explains that "the publication grows out of a protest movement by students of color in the MIT planning program, who rejected antiquated approaches to planning, based on assumptions of cultural superiority and technical wizardry. In these pages we wish to create a dialogue on issues of race, cultural conflict, oppression and empowerment through planning." To receive a free copy of the first issue, call Sean at 718-636-3486, or write The Indigenous Planning Times, c/o PICCED, 379 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11205. He adds, "continuing issues will depend upon your response!"

☐ SUSTAINABILITY, FORESTRY, TRADE. PNet Phil McManus writes that he is currently working as a teaching assistant in the Geography Dept. at the University of Bristol while working on a Ph.D on International Political Economy and Sustainability. He'll be based at the University of British Columbia (UBC) from July until mid-September 1995. He adds, "If anybody has information on sustainability, forestry and international trade, this would be appreciated. Similarly, if there is any way I can help other people while in the area, I'll try and do so." Address after July 6: Dept. of Geography, UBC, 217-1984 West Mall, Vancouver, V6T 1Z2, British Columbia, Canada; 604/822-2663; fax: 604/822-6150.

PN 1996 In Brooklyn

Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, New York will be the site of a national PN conference June 14-16, 1996. Three major themes are proposed for the conference:
- community-based planning, including meetings in communities where Pratt has long-standing ties
- The urban impacts of globalization, including the participation of Non-Governmental Organizations involved in the Habitat II conference to be held in Istanbul the week before the PN conference
- national urban policy in the U.S.

The conference would produce a progressive urban policy agenda that would inform debates around the 1996 presidential elections.

A conference planning committee is now being formed; interested PNeters should contact Tom Angotti c/o the PN office. Especially needed are PNeters outside the east coast to help make it a truly national event.
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The U.S. House of Representatives on March 3rd approved a takings com- pensation measure that would require federal agencies to compensate local own- ers if a federal regulation reduces the value of land by 20 percent. The bill, H.R. 9, the "Private Property Protection Act," applies only to wetlands protec- tion, the Endangered Species Act, water rights, the Federal Power Act and fed- eral land management.

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Hearings are yet to be scheduled in the Senate for S.605. However, because of Senate rules, this bill could be brought to the floor for a vote at any time. President Clinton has expressed his opposition to the legislation, but as compensation bills in the past, and has not said wheth- er he would veto the legislation.

Florida's Takings Law

The experience with Florida's takings legislation already indicates that it may hobble local land use and envi- ronmental controls.

So far, Florida became the first state to adopt a comprehensive takings law. While some of the provisions are under consideration elsewhere, they apply only to environmental rules such as wetlands protection or timber rights, Florida's "Private Property Protection Act" affects a broad range of govern- ment action.

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ANTI-POVERTY DIRECTORY. REAP (Research, Education and Action on Poverty), a nonprofit, is compiling an annotated directory of anti-poverty organizations that are national in scope. It will be made available in print and electronic form. To be included, information can be sent to REAP, K. St. 2257, Washington, DC 2005; 202-347-2220; e-mail: REAPH@iol.com.

WOMEN/URBAN ENVIRONMENT. ‘Women and the Urban Environment’ will be the theme of the 1994 annual conference of the Fannie Mae Office of Housing Research. Anne Shlay (Institute for Policy Studies, Gladden Temple House, Temple U., Philadelphia, PA 19122; 215/204-5176) is helping to put the program together. Contact her if you are currently engaged in or aware of any research or activities related to this topic.

PROGRESSIVE ALTERNATIVES. Reading the Fine Print: Progressive Criticism and Alternatives to the Contract With America is a set of 30 commentaries, available from the Institute for Policy Studies, 2000 18th St. NW, Washington, DC 20009; 202/234-9382. Price is $7.

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capacity, 28 states and five foreign coun-
tries, as well as numerous practitioners,
participated in this year's conference with "Developing a Progressive Urban Agenda: Linking Citizen Action and Economic Planning." The theme for the Conference Planning Committee felt the conference was successful in a number of important ways. It attracted more than many participants at last year's conference and featured a diverse mix of local communities, neighborhood-based organizations, planners, and academic planners. It's location enabled residents of a severely distressed city to attend, and the community-led, neighbor-
hood-based charette activities provided both residents and cities with multiple opportunities for meaningful exchange. The conference's inclusion of the international dimension of urban problems broadened the conversation. The successful fundraising campaign carried out by University of Illinois staff assisted us to dramatically lower registration fees, which made the event more affordable and will permit PN to publish a modest proceedings booklet.

Participants spent the first day of the conference working with the leaders of community-based organizations from East St. Louis on a series of neighborhood planning charettes. Each of the five charette teams, composed of neighborhood leaders, PN planners and architects spent five hours discussing alternative solutions to community development problems identified by local residents. The charette teams produced 21 display boards presenting innovative ideas (437 pages), June approaches to local problems which were mounted and displayed for the rest of the conference.

Nearly 60 community activists, profes-
Sional planners and university students
facilitated their project and presented their work during two sets of issue workshops fo-
cused on 11 different areas of profes-
sional practice. Workshops examined in-
novative work being done in the areas of affordable housing, job creation, envi-
ronment, justice, neighborhood plan-
ing, community empowerment, alterna-
tive transportation, urban design, and crime prevention. These issue work-
shops were followed by a second round of small group discussions focused on the policy implications and planning practice in each of these areas.

The second day began with a panel discussion on globalization, structural ad-
justment and community resistance fea-
turing a keynote address by David West-
dendorf, Research Fellow at the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development. The theme for the lunch in the East St. Louis Farmers Market, a "Tribute to Malcolm X" was presented by the Ilyas Ilyas of Islam mosque and the Bakari Institute. A second plenary session on progressive responsive planning was featured with a keynote speech by Pierre Clavel, Profes-
sor of City and Regional Planning at Cornell University of East Germany, moderated by Isahq Shafiq, Special Assistant to the Mayor of East St. Louis.

The second day ended with a gala dinner celebration in the Astoria of the East St. Louis City Hall. Attendees enjoyed music by the Greater St. Lou-
is/East St. Louis High School Jazz Ensemble and a performance by the world-renowned Saint Louis Dance Troop. A keynote address on environmental justice was delivered by Dr. Mary Nichols, East St. Louis Adminis-
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cas.” The evening ended with remarks by East St. Louis City Manager, Leman Gentile.

The final day featured PN’s Annual Business and Organizing Meeting and a 1995 session of The Anngotti, which included 60 persons. This was attended by a plenary session focused on national issues, which was chaired by Chester Hartman and Peg Seip. The conference ended with a series of Panel of the East St. Louis neighbor-
hoods, the Colubia National American Historical Site, and St. Louis urban design and faculty of the University of Illinois students and faculty.

Initial comments from participants were generally favorable, but they also some problems. The confer-
ence structure made it difficult for par-
ticipants to become involved in more than three issue tracks. There was not enough time for the interesting debates that emerged. PN would consider including residents and conference-goers in the charettes was an important element in the success of the conference and the progress of the project to be made on concrete projects during the limited time available were perhaps too high. Also community participants may have expected more of the planners than they were able to contribute. All participants will be receiving a post-conference package in the mail that will include a conference evaluation form, roster of attendees and a membership form. U. S. faculty members will be meeting with the neighborhood orga-
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Ken Reardon is Co-Chair of Planners Network and teaches at the University of Illinois Champagne-Urbana.

PN Features Follow-Up

South Africa Non-Racialism

Peter Marcuse writes: "My two paragraphs on non-racialism in South Africa in the last PN Newsletter may have been too cryptic for a correct reading. For many interested in more, particularly the consistency with pro-
affirmative action arguments in the U.S., I’d be glad to send a longer (8-
page) paper, with relevant quotes from the last few years of discussion on Urban Planning, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. 10027."

Homeowners Tax Credit

A response from PNer Christopher Niebuhr to the “mansion subsidy” article: "I would hope that the suggestion of Peter Dreier and John Atlas for a home-
owners tax credit is attended to. They saw federal savories, encourage families to put more money into the housing market, make them less dependent on fluctuating market interest rates and en-
courage mortgages of less duration. Another approach is in the U.S. Army in Ger-
mans, and found it interesting that the West German government adopted a similar program after that war. The proposal was made by Gerhard Colm, a refugee economist who worked for Vice President Henry Wallace and founded the National Planning Association. Under his plan, savings accounts used for purchase of a home were not subject to taxes. Colm’s plan encouraged saving instead of borrowing and is a similar proposal after the major wars. I have been encouraged to save and make larger down payments for home con-
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Christo-
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□ CALIFORNIA BUDGET WATCH. Critical Choices for California’s Future by the California Budget Project, 1995 (co-authored by The California Budget Project and the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, is available ($5) from the Project, 921 1st St., #707, Sacramento, CA 95814; 916-
444-0500. The Project also has a new newsletter, Budget Watch, and an 8-page briefing paper on Gov. Pete Wilson’s proposed 15% cut in personal and corporation taxes ($2.50).

□ WELFARE REFORM. Many of the items in the “Wel-
fare” section below relate to the Contract. Also see the item on Medicaid under “Health.”

Passing the Word

Economic and Community Development

□ CDGB REVISTED. CDGB is the theme of the special 36-page feature for 30 years of the program. Includes contributions by PNers Brian Sullivan and Ed Gramlich. Available from the Coalition for Low-Income Community Development, 513 N. Chapel Gate Lane, Baltimore, MD 21229; 410-945-2835. No price listed.

□ COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT. Community Reinvest-
ment Act of 1977. Works to eliminate the “CRA Problems and Proposed Reforms,” by James Bothwell, is a 16-
page, March 1995 GAAP Report (GAAP/CT-95-113), available (free) from USGAP, PO Box 6015, Gaithersburg, MD 20884-6015.

□ CRA REFORM. Reinvestment Reform in an Era of Financial Change (55 pages + tables, April 1995) is avail-
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llota, VA 22131; 804-534-7754. The project’s previous spread-
ingen CRA-type reinvestment obligations to non-banks to create a National Reinvestment Fund. Price: $10 nonprofits/stu-
dents, $25 libraries/pro-fit, $30 trade associations.

□ CRA ALERT. Reinvestment Alert, the Woodstock Insti-
ute newsletter, reports in its May issue that the increased in the monthly publication, partly as a result of more ade-
quate CRA implementation. They also have a analysis of the recent Congressional hearings on CRA and steps to take to voice your concerns. The next issue will be available ($2) from the basket.

□ JOBS. No More Candy Stores: States and Cities Making Job Subsidies Accountable, by Greg Leroy, published by the Federal for Industrial Relations, is available ($23) from the Civil, Sugar Law Center, 291 Cadillac Tower, Detroit, MI 48226.

□ EMPLOYMENT/TRAINING. What’s Working (and What’s Not): A Summary of Research on the Economic Im-
PAPA originally supported a competi-
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ham says that lobbyists for large land-
owner interests succeeded in adding an amendment to the last minute that ex-
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vestment." Pelham is especially concerned about the impact of that amendment on the Florida Commerce Commission (FOMA). That statewide plan encour-
ges higher densities using tools such as cluster development to preserve open space and wetlands. But if communities adopt new rules to implement the FOMA, they could face claims for com-
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Economic and Community Development

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COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT. CommunityReinvest-
ment Act, Section 108, 1989-90 State Budget (pp. 247, pages), 1991-92 State Budget (pp. 118, pages), 1992-93 State Budget (pp. 153, pages), 1993-94 State Budget (pp. 204, pages), 1994-95 State Budget (pp. 253, pages). Available assold to U.S. Army in Ger-
many, and found that it interesting that the West German government adopted a similar policy after the war. The proposal was made by Gerhard Colm, a refugee economist who worked for Vice President Henry Wallace and founded the National Planning Association. Under his plan, salaries accounts used to support refugees were not subject to taxes. Colm's plan encouraged saving instead of borrowing and is a similar proposal to the current one in the U.S. The plan would encourage large down payments for home con-
struction or purchase. I understand that similar suggestions were made by General MacArthur's staff in Japan, where the U.S. military also introduced women's suffrage. Whatever the method, I hope that a system of tax credits can replace these mortgage reductions. -Christopher Niebuhr, P.O. Box 91, Stockbridge, MA 01262.

Contract Watch (continued from page 2)


- CALIFORNIA BUDGET WATCH. Critical Choices for California's Future before the 1996 State Budget (pp. 437, pages), 1996-97 State Budget (pp. 157, pages), 1997-98 State Budget (pp. 263, pages), 1998-99 State Budget (pp. 382, pages), 1999-2000 State Budget (pp. 487, pages). Available as sold to USGDA, PO Box 6015, Gaithersburg, MD 20884-6015.

- CRA REFORMAT. Reform Act in an Era of Financial Change (25 pages + tables, April 1995) is available from the Southern Finance Project, PO Box 334, Phila-

- CRA ALERT! Reinvestment Act, 1995 (pp. 48, pages), 1996 (pp. 94, pages), 1997 (pp. 144, pages), 1998 (pp. 225, pages). Available as sold to CRA, 100 Franklin Ave, West Hartford, CT 06107.

- WELFARE REFORM. Many of the items in the "Wel-
fare Reform" section have been incorporated in theContract. Also see the item on "Medicaid under "Health."

- COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT. Community Reinvest-
ment Act, 1995 (pp. 48, pages), 1996 (pp. 94, pages), 1997 (pp. 144, pages), 1998 (pp. 225, pages). Available as sold to CRA, 100 Franklin Ave, West Hartford, CT 06107.


- CONSTRUCTION. Construction and the Economy: A Summary of Economic Indicators, by the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1995 (pp. 12, pages).
Reviewed by the Nonprofit Community Economic Development (NCED) shows the significant effect of the nonprofit community development movement through the production of affordable units (over 4,000) and productions of housing cooperatives (over 67,000 jobs), Contact: NCED, 1875 Connecticut Ave., Suite 524, Washington, DC 20009; 202/334-1100.

Supportive Housing. Supportive Housing Options is a new newsletter (likely free) from the National Resources and Policy Center on Housing and Long Term Care, Adult Gerontology Center, USC, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0191; 213/740-1364.


HOUSING/ELDERLY. Expanding Housing Choices for Older People is a 31-page set of conference papers and recommendations from the 1995 AARP White House Conference on Aging Mini-Conference. Likely free from AARP, 601 E. St NW, Washington, DC 20009.


Homeless Participatory Research. A Participatory Inquiry Toward a Better Nonprofit Response toward Homelessness, by Ruth McCallum, examines the question of whether or not shelters work in the best long-term interest of homeless people. It's available, free, from Fund for the Homeless, A Project of the Boston Foundation, One Boston Pl., 24th Fl., Boston, MA 02108; 617/723-7415.

Foster Care/Homelessness. The National Alliance to End Homelessness presents research findings in The Web of Failure: The Relationship Between Foster Care and Homelessness. Contact: National Alliance to End Homelessness, 7518 V. St. NW, Washington, DC 20005; 202/638-1526; fax: 202/638-4664; Cost: $7 for Alliance members; $10 non-members; with appendix: $9/members, $15/non-members.

Planning and Land Use. Green Cities/OPEN SPACE. The Green Cities Initiative of the Trust for Public Land is designed to enhance and protect open space resources in urban America. For more information and relevant publications, contact Lisa Cardin, TPL, PO Box 1257, Norwich, VT 05050; 802/649-3611.


Poverty Measurement/Locotion. Poverty Measure: Adjusting for Geographic Cost-of-Living Differences (76 pages, March 1995; GAO/GGD-95-64) is available free, from GAOPO, PO Box 6015, Gaithersburg, MD 20884-6015.

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Hunger/Poverty/Books. The 100 Most Significant Books on US Hunger and Poverty is a 1994 annotated list by James Chapin of World Hunger Year. 2 pages, 505 8th Ave., 21st Fl., New York, NY 10018; 212/629-8830. They also have a 6-page brochure on Hunger, Poverty and Homelessness ("Just the Facts"). They publish the quarterly WHY Magazine, 13.50/yr.

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Welfare


☐ GENERAL ASSISTANCE. General Assistance Programs: Gaps in the Safety Net, by Maruan Nichols and Kathryn Porter (56 pages, March 1995), is available from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (see address in previous item); contact them for price.

☐ STATE IMPACT/WELFARE REFORM. The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities has also prepared state-by-state fact sheet analyses of the House-approved welfare bill showing how poor families would be affected by an AFDC block grant, a Child Nutrition block grant, cuts in food stamps and limits in benefits for low-income disabled children. Free copies available from CBPP (see first item above), or download from Handnet in the Children, Youth and Families/Family Economic Security/Welfare Reform/Federal Level: Analyses sublist.

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Women/Families

☐ ORGANIZING WOMEN. Women, Organizing and Diversity is a workbook and video ($25 and $45, respectively; $65 for both) from the Education Center for Community Organizing (ECCO), Hunter College School of Social Work, 125 E. 79 St., New York, NY 10021, 212/452-7112.

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- **SENIOR ASSOCIATE/DC.** The Program for Community Problem Solving is seeking a Senior Associate, $45,500, to coordinate field samples/ to the Program, 915 15th St. NW, #600, Washington, DC 20005; 202/783-2961.

- **POLICY ASSOCIATE/DC.** The Center for Community Change is seeking a Policy Associate. Resume to Director of Administrative Services, CCC, 100 Wisconsin Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20007; 202/342-0519. Position is funded through Dec. 31, 1995.

- **ADM. & FINANCE/DC.** The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities is seeking a Director of Administration and Finance. Cover letter/resume to the Director of the Seven, 777 N. Capitol NE, #705, Washington, DC 20002.

**PLANNING FACULTY/CINCINNATI.** The School of Planning at the University of Cincinnati expects to receive authorization for a one-year visiting position at the rank of instructor/associate, beginning Sept. 1. Send application, c.v. and names, addresses and phone numbers of three references to Chairperson, Search Committee, School of Planning, University of Cincinnati, P.O. Box 210703, Cincinnati, OH 45221-0703. Application review begins July 15 and will continue until position is selected. Contact: Charles E. Ellison; e-mail: Ellison@ucbce.ucinn.unc.edu.

**FUNDING.**

- **FUNDING SOURCES.** Funding Sources for Community and Economic Development (755 pages, 1995) is published by Oxy, #401 N. Central Ave., #700, Phoenix, AZ 85012-3397; $52.25.

- **BANNERMEN/YOUNG ORGANIZERS.** The Bannermen Fellowship Program for Young Organizers is a new project, designed to supplement Bannermen's program to honor and sustain the work of outstanding activists of color by giving them the opportunities to take subordinates. The new program focuses on younger activists of color (under 30 years of age who have been organizing for at least five years). They will receive a $4,000 stipend plus $1,000 for travel/training fees/etc. for a 2-3 month self-designed program to gain new experience or skills. The program will begin in 1996. Information from Madeline Adiniman at Bannerman, 1627 Lancaster St., Baltimore, MD 21213; 410/327-6220.

- **ANTI-HUNGER/POVERTY AWARDS.** The Harry Chapin Food-Club Program for ( $5,000 in cards) is given annually to grassroots groups judged outstanding for innovative approaches to fighting domestic hunger and poverty by empowering low-income people. Applications due Aug. 31. Information and forms from World Hunger Year, 505 8th Ave., 21st fl., New York, NY 10018-6582; 800/5-HUNGRY.

- **WOMEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.** The Ms. Foundation's Women's Collaborative Fund for Economic Development is issuing a Call for Letters of Intent. The Fund supports enterprise development programs that benefit low-income rural and urban women, especially women of color and women making the transition from public assistance to economic independence. Letters of Intent are due on September 29. For guidelines, call Brenda Rushby, Program Assistant, at 212/743-2200, ext. 317; fax: 212/743-1653; or write her at Ms. Foundation for Women, 120 Wall St. 33rd fl., New York, NY 10005.

**Conferences**

- **UN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES.** "Woman Connecting: Preparation for the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women," is a series of intensive seminars leading up to the 1995 UN conference in Beijing. Contact: Center of Concern, 3700 13th St. NE, Washington, DC 20017; 202/635-2577.

- **POPULAR ECONOMICS.** The Center for Popular Economics is holding its 3rd annual Summer Institute and International Institute, Aug. 5-11 in Amherst. Information from CPE, PO Box 785, Amherst, MA 01004; 413/545-0743, cpe@acad.umass.edu.

- **POLITICAL ECONOMICS.** "Economic Development and Community Strategies" is the theme of the annual conference of the Political Economy Research Group (PERG), which will take place Aug. 19-21 in Litchfield, Conn. Contact: Gene Mason, UPERG, 1 Summer St., Somer- ville, MA 02143; 617/776-5888.

- **HOMELESSNESS.** The National Conference on Homelessness, co-sponsored by the Community for Creative Non-Violence and the National Coalition for the Homeless, will be held Aug. 25-26 in DC. Information from Michelle Daily, CCNV, 800/25-CCNV-1.

- **RAIL-VOLUTION.** The "Building Successful Communities with Rail" conference will be held Sept. 16-18, Portland, Oregon. For information, call 800/788-7077.

- **GLOBAL CITIES.** The Lincoln Institute of Land Policy Thomas Angotti, Brooklyn, NY, 718/636-3486, e-mail: thoboc@cuuny.cuny.edu; Emily Achtenberg, Boston, MA, 617/524-3982; Luis Aponte-Paletis, Boston, MA, 617/287- 7286, fax: 617/287-7099, e-mail: aponte_pareo@lumbyx. cc.unedu; Teresa Córdoa, Albersparken, NM, 505/277- 7535, e-mail: tcordoa@vista.unm.edu; Dana R. Driskell, Bronx, NY, 718/220-8505; Chester Hartshaw, Wash., DC, 202/387-9587; Peter Marcuse, New York, NY, 212/854- 3322; Barbara Radhakrishnan, Toronto, Ontario, 416/736-5252; Peg Seip, New York, NY, 212/979-9544; Andreé Tremou- let, Pittsfield, MA, 413/499-9368; Robert Yabos, Los Angeles, CA, 213/237-0134; Jordan Yin, Cleveland, OH, 216/961-4242, e-mail: r3943@cleveland.freenet.net.

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□ DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR/VERMONT. The Mayor of Burlington, Vermont, seeks a Director of Community and Economic Development to administer a $500,000 in community development funds. Salary range: $42,900, 25% of which is paid in 10% increments. For more information, contact City Manager, Burlington City Hall, 1200 South Washington St., Burlington, VT 05401.

□ FACULTY/LOS ANGELES. Occidental College is seeking to fill two tenure-track faculty positions in American Politics/Minority Politics/Public Policy. Cover letter/cv/3 letters of rec. by Aug. 21. (Nov. 20 if you will not be at the American Political Science Association meetings) to Prof. Peter Dreier, Dept. of Politics, Occidental College, 1600 Campus Rd., Los Angeles, CA 90041.

□ SENIOR ASOCIATE/DC. The Program for Community Problem Solving is seeking a Senior Associate, $45,500, to manage a sample of Special Topics in the Program, 915 15th St. NW, #600, Washington, DC 20005; 202/783-2961.

□ POLICY ASSOCIATE/DC. The Center for Community Change is seeking a Policy Associate. Resume to Director of Administrative Services, CCC, 1000 Wisconsin Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20007; 202/342-0519. Position is funded through Dec. 31, 1995.

□ ADM. & FINANCE/DC. The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities is seeking a Director of Administration and Finance. Cover letter/resume to the Center, 777, Capitol Natl. SE, #705, Washington, DC 20002.

□ PLANNING FACULTY/CINCINNATI. The School of Planning at the University of Cincinnati expects to receive authorization for a one-year visiting position at the rank of instructor/associate beginning Sept. 1. Send application, c.v. and names, addresses and phone numbers of three references to Chairperson, Search Committee, School of Planning, University of Cincinnati, P.O. Box 210703, Cincinnati, OH 45221-0703. Applications review begins July 15 and will continue until position is selected. Contact: Charles E. Ellison; e-mail: ellison@ucbull.uc.edu.

Funding

□ FUNDING SOURCES. Funding Sources for Community and Economic Development (752 pages, 1995) is published by Oxy., 4041 N. Central Ave., #700, Phoenix, AZ 85012-3397; $52.25.

□ BANNERMAN/YOUNG ORGANIZERS. The Bannerman Fellowship Program for Young Organizers is a new project, designed to supplement Bannerman's program to honor and sustain the work of outstanding activists of color by giving them the opportunity to take sabbaticals. The new program focuses on younger activists of color (under 30 years of age who have been organizing for at least five years). They will receive a $4,000 stipend plus $1,000 for travel/ training fees/etc. for a 2-3 month self-designed program to gain new experience or skills. The program will begin in 1996. Information from Madeline Adelman at Bannerman, 1627 Lancaster St., Baltimore, MD 21231; 410/327-6200.

□ ANTI-HUNGER/POTSY AWARDS. The Harry Chapin Memorial Foundation (Box 442, $5,000 in cash) are granted annually to grassroots groups judged outstanding for innovative approaches to fighting domestic hunger and poverty by empowering the people. Application deadline is Aug. 31. Information and forms from World Hunger Day, 505 8th Ave., Suite 211, New York, NY 10018-6582; 800/5-HUNGRY.

□ WOMEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. The Ms. Foundation's Women's Collaborative Fund for Women's Economic Development is issuing a Call for Letters of Intent. The Fund supports enterprise development programs that benefit low-income rural and urban women, especially women of color and women making the transition from public assistance to economic independence. Letters of Intent are due on September 29. For guidelines, call Brenda Bushy, Program Assistant, at 212/742-2300, ext. 317; fax: 212/742-1653; or write her at Ms. Foundation for Women, 120 Wall St. 33rd fl., New York, NY 10005.

Conferences

□ UN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES. "Women Connecting: Preparation for the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women," is a series of intensive seminars leading up to the 1995 UN conference in Beijing. Contact: Center of Concern, 3700 13th St. NE, Washington, DC 20017; 202/635-2577.

□ POPULAR ECONOMICS. The Center for Popular Economics is holding its 3rd annual Summer Institute and International Institute, Aug. 5-11 in Amherst. Information from CPE, PO Box 785, Amherst, MA 01004; 413/545-0743, cpe@acad.umass.edu.

□ POLITICAL ECONOMICS. "Economic Development and Community Strategies" is in the theme of the annual conference of the Political Economic Group (URPE), which will take place Aug. 19-21 in Litchfield, Conn. Contact: Gene Mason, URPE, 1 Summer St., Somer- ville, MA 02143; 617/770-5888.

□ HOMELESSNESS. The National Conference on Homelessness, co-sponsored by the Council for Creative Non-Violence and the National Coalition for the Homeless, will be held Aug. 25-26 in DC. Information from Michelle Daily, CCNV; 800/25-CCNV.

□ RAIL-VOLTATION: The "Building Successful Communities with Rail" conference will be held Sept. 16-18, Portland, Oregon. For information, call 800/778-7077.

□ GLOBAL CITIES. The Lincoln Institute of Land Policy Thomas Angotti, Brooklyn, NY, 718/636-3486, e-mail: thob@ccnycuny.cuny.edu; Emily Achterberg, Boston, MA, 617/524-3982; Luis Aponte-Parés, Boston, MA, 617/287-7286, fax: 617/287-7099, e-mail: aponte_par@umass.edu; Andrea Crespo, Brussels, bcl-pk@umaine.edu; Dana R. Driskell, Bronx, NY, 718/220-8505; Chester Hartman, Wash., DC, 202/387-9887; Peter Marcuse, New York, New York, 212/854-3322; Barbara Rahder, Toronto, Ontario, 416/736-5252; Peg Seip, New York, NY, 212/979-9544; Andrée Tremou- llet, Pittsfield, MA, 413/499-9386; Robert Yabos, Los Angeles, CA, 213/237-0134; Jordan Yin, Cleveland, OH, 216/961-4242, e-mail: r-c934@cleveland.freenet.net.

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is sponsoring the conference "Global City Regions: Their Evolution and Management" Sept. 17-19 in Cambridge, Mass. Registration is limited to 45 (register early). Contact: Lisa Silva, Program Administrator, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, 113 Brattle St., Cambridge, MA 02138-3400; 617/661-3016; fax: 617/661-7235.


☐ TRANS-AMERICA CONGRESS. "Edifica '95," will be held Sept. 27-30 in Santiago, Chile. It is sponsored by the International Council for Caring Communities, in cooperation with the UN Center for Human Settlement (HABITAT), UN Program on Aging, the University for Peace in Costa Rica and other organizations. Contact: Royal Travellers, Inc., Airport Executive Tower II, 7270 NW 12th St. Suite 650, Miami, FL 33126; 800/222-7692; fax: 305/599-9450.

☐ STUDENTS/ENVIRONMENT. The Student Environmental Action Coalition is holding its 4th national conference, with an environmental justice initiative, Oct. 13-15 in Chapel Hill. Information from SEAC, PO Box 1168, Chapel Hill, NC 27514-1168; 800/700-SEAC, e-mail: seac@igc.apc.org.

☐ SUPPORTIVEHOUSING. "Service-enriched Affordable Housing—Models and Methodologies" is a 2-day workshop, Oct. 23-24, in DC, sponsored by The Enterprise Foundation. For a brochure, contact Oliver Libaw; 213/252-0791. Further information from Natalie Profant, Beyond Shelter, 4032 Wilshire Blvd., #501, LA, CA 90010; 213/480-0846.

☐ MULTICULTURAL. "Building Personal and Professional Competence in a Multicultural Society" are 2- and 4-day training courses, Nov. 2-4, in Washington, DC, sponsored by the National MultiCultural Institute, 3000 Conn. Ave. NW, #438, Washington, DC 20008; 202/483-0700.

☐ PEOPLE/ENVIRONMENT. The 14th Conference of the International Association for People-Environmental Studies will be held in Stockholm July 30-Aug. 3, 1996. Contact: The Royal Institute of Technology, Dept. of Architecture and Town Planning, IAPS 14 Secretariat, S100 44 Stockholm, Sweden; +46 8 643 1173.

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☐ ARRIVAL DEADLINE FOR PLANNERS NETWORK #113 COPY: FRIDAY, SEPT. 1, 1995. Be sure to use our new address: Planners Network/Pratt GCPE, 200 Willoughby Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11205; 718/636-3486; fax: 718/636-3709. As always, our thanks to those who can type their notes. It reduces our chances of misreading what you write. Feature articles of 500-1,500 words are always welcome; a diskette is greatly appreciated.