

# PLANNERS NETWORK

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**PN ROSTER UPCOMING:** We last did our roster in October 1985. People often tell us it's the most valuable and interesting element of Network membership. Obviously, the more members who write a small biosketch, the more valuable and interesting the roster can be for making one-on-one contact.

You'll find a roster biosketch form inside. Please take three minutes to fill it out and return it no later than June 1. We'll get the completed roster and biosketches out to you all as soon as possible.

Preparation of a roster also is a special expense for the Network. The 1985 roster, for example, cost some \$2,000 in extra editorial, typesetting, and printing expenses. So please include an extra contribution, if you can, with your biosketch.

**RECRUIT STUDENTS FOR PN:** We'll be glad to send you a copy (or copies) of John Wengler's one-page article, "Networking: What Students Have Learned from the Planners Network" (*APA Student Planner*, December 1986). It's a good piece for encouraging students to join PN. Be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

**FINANCIAL MINI-REPORT:** We received gifts and contributions totaling \$1,298 since the February newsletter. Of the

total, \$936 came from 40 individuals; and \$362 came from PN Upstate New York. Our thanks to each of you, and especially to the PN group. Remember, PN is a reader-supported newsletter; your contributions make possible its regular publication.

## Passing the Word

**SUBURB PRESERVATION:** Citizens To Preserve Old Silver Spring is a coalition of civic groups and tenant organizations working to preserve the retail core of this older, Washington, D.C., suburb, which features good architecture, economic and ethnic diversity, and human-scale structures. A threatened development would replace much of the area's "downtown" with a massive hotel-office complex and regional mall. Citizens need input and support, particularly on area traffic studies. "Save-Old-Silver-Spring" buttons are \$2. Contact: Mary Reardon, 8007 Eastern Ave. #110, Silver Spring, MD 20910, 202/828-4500 (days), or 301/585-7914; or Catherine or Robert Cordella, 301/587-9327.

**PN UPDATE:** From Kate Foster (Box 8023, Glen Ridge, NJ

## The Planners Network

The Planners Network is an association of professionals, activists, academics, and students involved in physical, social, economic, and environmental planning in urban and rural areas, who promote fundamental change in our political and economic system.

We believe that planning should be a tool for allocating resources and developing the environment to eliminate the great inequalities of wealth and power in our society, rather than to maintain and justify the status quo. We believe that planning should be used to assure adequate food, clothing, shelter, medical care, jobs, safe working conditions, and a healthful environment. We advocate public responsibility for meeting these needs, because the private market has proven incapable of doing so.

We oppose the economic structure of our society, which values profit and property rights over human rights and needs. This system perpetuates the inequalities of class, race, sex and age which distort human relationships and limit the potential for a decent quality of life. We advocate a shift in current national budgetary priorities to favor human services, social production and environmental protection over military and other nonproductive expenditures.

We seek to be an effective political and social force, working with other progressive organizations to inform public opinion and public policy and to provide assistance to those seeking to understand, control, and change the forces which affect their lives.

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

students and unemployed; graduated payments for the employed of \$25 plus \$1 for each \$1,000 earned above \$10,000.

Members of the Steering Committee: Chester Hartman, DC, Chair; Emily Achtenberg, Boston; Eve Bach, Berkeley; Bob Beauregard, New Brunswick, NJ; Donna Dyer, Durham, NC; William Goldsmith, Ithaca; Charles Hoch, Chicago; Joochul Kim, Tempe; Judy Kossy, Buffalo; Jacqueline Leavitt, LA; Peter Marcuse, NYC; Jackie Pope, NYC; Alan Rabinowitz, Seattle; Tony Schuman, NYC; Andree Tremoulet, Pittsfield.

Newsletter Editor: Prentice Bowsher.

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Please check here if this is a new membership.

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07028): I'm on my way to Swaziland, Africa, as a Peace Corps volunteer. I'll be working in the Ministry of Natural Resources, Land Utilization, and Energy. I'll keep you posted on the adventure.

□ PN UPDATE: From Daniel Carr (231 N. Second St., Olean, NY 14760): I've started a new job with the Rural Revitalization Corp. in Salamanca, N.Y., as a housing counselor under the state Rural Homeownership Assistance Program. I'll be assisting in housing and community development.

□ POVERTY REPORT: Someone phoned in to say that the poverty report in the last PN, *Up from Dependency: A New National Public Assistance Strategy*, is no longer available from the White House, and no longer is free. It is available from the Government Printing Office for \$3.75, 202/783-3238.

□ HOUSING IDEAS: We are looking for zoning mechanisms to encourage high-density residential development in commercial and industrial zones. Any examples of local ordinances or analyses of their impact or effectiveness in stimulating housing production, or commercial revitalization would be appreciated. Contact: Renee Jakobs, Fairfax County Office of Comprehensive Planning, 10640 Page Ave., Fairfax, VA 22030, 703/691-4236.

□ MEMBER UPDATE: From Networker Joe Gervasini (6 Potter Ln., Kingston, RI 02881): I am a second-year student of city planning at the Univ. of Rhode Island. I hope to do further graduate work in history and planning. I am interested in urban political economy, the political economy of homelessness, housing and redevelopment issues, social justice, and the relevance of Lewis Mumford's ideas on cities—and civilization.

□ BUDGET ANALYSIS: The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (236 Massachusetts Ave. N.E. #305, Wash. DC 20002, 202/544-0591) is offering an analysis of the President's fiscal 1988 budget, *One-Third of the President's Proposed Spending Cuts To Come from Programs for the Poor*, for \$3.

□ MODEL CONDO BILL: Shelterforce and the New Jersey Tenants Organization are working on a condominium conversion bill for the state which can then be used for replication around the country. We are looking for innovative approaches which can deal with land use, zoning, fees, housing preservation approaches, to control the conversions. This means how to control the sales price or provide funds for replacement housing. Please send information to: Joan Pransky, 460 Bloomfield Ave. #208, Montclair, NJ 07042.

□ RIGHT TO HOUSING: The Massachusetts Law Reform Institute (69 Canal St., Boston, MA 02114, 617/742-9250) has completed a 39-page draft position paper supporting the state's right-to-housing constitutional amendment.

□ BOARD SUPPORT: The Support Center (1410 Q St. N.W., Wash. DC 20009, 202/462-2000) has developed a program of business volunteers willing to serve on nonprofit boards as a source of management help for a nonprofit. The program is geared to the Washington, D.C., area; but there are Support Center offices around the country, and one near you may have a similar program.

□ STATUS OF BLACKS: *The State of Black America—1987* is the 12th annual edition of the National Urban League's report on the status of blacks. Copies are \$9.50, from: Communications Dept., National Urban League, 500 E. 62nd St., New York, NY 10021.

□ BUS SHELTERS: A New York City coalition, including the Pratt Center for Community and Environmental Development, and the Committee for Better Transit, has prepared a seven-page outline of issues in connection with the city's bus shelter program. Contact: Steven Stollman, International Conference on Appropriate Transportation, 49 E. Houston St., New York, NY 10012, 212/925-8505.

□ CO-OP NEWS: *Cooperative Business Journal* is a new monthly news tabloid from the National Cooperative Business Association (1401 New York Ave. N.W. #1100, Wash. DC 20005). The initial 20-page issue featured government updates and co-op profiles, among other features. No price listed.

□ CYCLING EVENT: A coalition of cycling and appropriate transportation groups will sponsor "Human Power Week" in October in Washington, D.C. Festival activities will include rides, races, exhibits and demonstrations, an art show, films, videos, and symposia. Details: Marti Daily, International Human Powered Vehicle Association, Box 51255, Indianapolis, IN 46251, 317/291-0649.

□ HOUSING CALENDAR: Anyone interested in seeing the creation of an annual wall calendar promoting efforts that assert housing as a basic right are encouraged to contact Tim Siegel, 152 Webster, Arlington, MA 02174, 617/643-0752. The calendar would feature groups around the U.S.

□ HOUSING PRIVATIZATION: From Networker Marie Kennedy and Char Ryan: We are slowly collecting oral histories of present and former residents of Columbia Point Housing Development (a 1,500+-unit Boston public housing project built in the 1950s now being converted into private mixed-income housing). As part of this, we are looking for papers analyzing the privatization of the public sector and the privatization of public housing projects in particular. Write: Kennedy/Ryan, Columbia Point Oral History Project, Room 801, Community Planning Center, College of Public and Community Service, Umass-Boston, Boston, MA 02125.

□ PERMACULTURE COURSES: The Permaculture Institute of North America and the Aprovecho Institute (80574 Hazelton Rd., Cottage Grove, OR 07424, 503/942-9434) will sponsor two, two-week courses on providing for basic human needs in an integrated, ecologically based way. The dates/ places: June 15-29, in Oregon; July 6-20, in Mexico. Tuition is \$600 for one course; \$1,100 for both.

□ GROUP HOMES: Two publications by Networker Dan Lauber on group homes: *Impacts on the Surrounding Neighborhood of Group Homes for Persons with Developmental Disabilities*, 36 pages, free, from: Governor's Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities, 100 W. Randolph #10-601, Chicago, IL 60601, 312/917-2080; and *A Rational Basis: The Compleat Guide to Zoning for Group Homes and Halfway Houses*, set for later 1987 publication. For a 110-page draft on zoning principles

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# Inclusionary Zoning Moves Downtown

by Peter Marcuse

Planners sometimes feel ground down by the weight of the world: They have no power, nobody listens to them, they can't accomplish anything, the times are bad, what can you do?

A book on inclusionary zoning is living proof that you *can* do something. The book is *Inclusionary Zoning Moves Downtown*, edited by Dwight Merriam, David J. Brower, and Philip D. Tegeler (with an Introduction by Paul Davidoff, Washington, DC, Planners Press (American Planning Association), 1985).

Its real parent, Paul Davidoff, tragically is no longer with us; he died of cancer in 1984, between the time of the conference which this book reports and publication of the book. Inclusionary zoning was *his* idea.

As a counter to suburban, racially exclusive zoning, the idea that zoning could affirmatively require opportunities for low-income and minority households to live where they pleased was developed, fought for, tried out, litigated, publicized.

With a lot of help, of course: the legions of lawyers and planners who pressed the New Jersey lawsuits that became Mt. Laurel II; the staff of the Suburban (later Metropolitan) Action Institute, particularly Mary Brooks and Phil Tegeler; and, for the "downtown" development of the idea, Ron Shiffman and Brian Sullivan at the Pratt Center in Brooklyn.

But Paul was the driving force all the way through. If there are heroes in planning, Paul Davidoff was one.

The idea of inclusionary zoning is alive and well. Alan Mallach's book, *Inclusionary Housing Programs: Policies and Practices* (Center for Urban Policy Research, 1984), is probably the best summary of its use in suburban-type communities; *Inclusionary Zoning Downtown* explores its application in the central city context.

Inclusionary zoning's original justification, as a remedy for official discrimination, is muted; it now becomes simply good planning to require that developers assure, in all government enables them to do, equitable opportunities for all its present and prospective residents. Affirm-

ative social and economic zoning, an idea still on the defensive before Mt. Laurel II, is now espoused with gusto on behalf of the poor.

Most telling of all, perhaps, is the willingness to advocate ideas that not only will avoid the bad (discrimination) but require the good (integration), and do so even if it is expensive for developers. Here's an idea, say its supporters, that will produce housing for low-income people, even absent subsidies.

Legal issues are discussed, indeed debated: the taking question, the analogy to exactions, the substantive due process issue, whether a "rational nexus" connecting the remedy to the problem is required and whether it exists.

Opinion is not unanimous: Dan Mandelker says no problem; Robert Ellickson says all wrong; others range from wishy-washy to cautious.

Paul Niebanck, in a heartening comment, calls for planners to stop looking for least-risk approaches and begin to plan, damn it. Housing integration, he says,

should be as much a part of housing as emission standards are of transportation (a nice analogy!).

A concluding section talks about (and gives examples of) linkage programs and housing trust funds, both related to but not the same as inclusionary zoning.

Here are an idea, a book, the legacy of a planner, that represent the best the profession stands for. All three deserve honor.

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### Special Feature Alert

The PN Special Feature is threatened with extinction unless we hear from you. We know there are many PNers with good ideas and interesting projects; but you're not writing us. We need your support for the PN Special Feature to continue.

In its Special Feature, *Planners Network* presents thoughtful, provocative writing about substantive concerns and issues in the planning professions. Essays typically highlight a single issue, and illuminate it with examples and insights.

The Special Feature editor is Bob Beauregard (Dept. of Urban Planning, Rutgers Univ., New Brunswick, NJ 08903, 201/932-4053; 932-3822).

Networkers wishing to contribute a Special Feature essay or commentary should contact him.

## Passing the Word (continued from page 2)

for group homes for persons with disabilities, send \$15 to Lauber, 1035 Dobson, Evanston, IL 60202, 312/328-8816.

□ **BLACK APA CANDIDATES:** In an effort to increase minority representation on the American Planning Association Board of Directors, one at-large seat in the 1988 APA election is reserved for only black candidates, and blacks and other minorities are urged to submit their names for the other five director positions as well. The deadline for submitting names is June 12. Nominees will be named in September, and the election held in April 1988 immediately following the APA National Conference in San Antonio. For more information, contact PNER and nominating committee member Daniel Lauber, 1035 Dobson, Evanston, IL 60202, 312/328-8816. Other PN members on the nominating committee include Norman Krumholz (chair), Vivian Kahn, Kelly Carpenter-Craft, and Fred Cooper.

□ **ACCESSORY APARTMENTS:** Patrick H. Hare Planning and Design (1246 Monroe St. N.E., Wash. DC 20017, 202/269-9334) has won an Administration on Aging grant for seminars for agencies on aging, remodelers, realtors, and lenders on accessory apartments. The seminars are intended to develop marketing and counseling resources for homeowners on installing accessory apartments. Potential seminar sponsors should contact the firm.

□ **ENERGY DIRECTORY:** The Summer 1987 issue of *Tranet* will contain a directory of alternative energy technology, updating the last such directory in 1978. Possible entries, contacts, leads, ideas should be sent to: W. Henry Tucker (Professor Emeritus of Chemical Engineering), 2806 Gertrude St., Riverside, CA 92506 714/686-5073.

□ **JOBS SERVICE:** Access: Networking in the Public Interest (Wesleyan Station, Middletown, CT 06457, 203/344-7924) provides a unified system for nonprofits to exchange information on job openings. Contact: James Clark, Director.

□ **URBAN POLITICS:** Black Rose Books (3981 boul. St. Laurent, Montreal, Quebec H2W 1Y5, Canada) offers a number of titles on urban politics: *Montreal after Drapeau*, by Jean-Francois Leonard and Jacques Leveillee; *The Limits of the City*, by Murray Bookchin; *The City and Radical Social Change*, edited by Dimitrios I. Roussopoulos; and *The Politics of Urban Liberation*, by Stephen Schechter. A complete catalogue is available.

□ **ELDERLY HOUSING:** *State Initiatives in Elderly Housing: What's New, What's Tried and True* is available for \$20, from: National Association of State Units on Aging, 600 Maryland Ave. S.W. #208, Wash. DC 20024; and the Council of State Planning Agencies, 444 N. Capitol St. N.W. #118, Wash. DC 20001.

□ **BLACKS/GOVERNMENT ROLE:** *Black Initiative and Governmental Responsibility* is a 16-page essay by the Committee on Policy for Racial Justice, based at the Joint Center for Political Studies (1301 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. #400, Wash. DC 20004, 202/626-3500). A key conclusion: "The inexcusable disparities between whites and blacks... can be eradicated only if the government assumes its appropriate role in a democratic, humane, and stable society." Single copies are \$6.95.

□ **PARTICIPATION NETWORK:** The Participation Network, a membership group of advocates of participatory planning, design, and problem-solving, has completed its fourth newsletter, which features a number of projects in California. Membership includes some 300 persons, with more than half outside the United States. An upcoming project is editing a special issue of the *Journal of Architectural and Planning Research*. Details: Stephen Klein, Context, 10 W. 86th St., New York, NY 10024.

□ **IMMIGRATION STUDIES:** The Urban Institute (Box 7273, Wash. DC 20044) has issued two more studies in its immigration series: *Adaptation Processes of Recent Immigrants to the United States: A Review of Demographic and Social Aspects* (46 pages, \$7.50); and *A Layman's Guide to 1986 U.S. Immigration Reform* (14 pages, \$6). For earlier titles, PN #60, p. 5.

□ **ASYLUM REPORT:** The U.S. Committee for Refugees (815 15th St. N.W. #610, Wash. DC 20005, 202/667-0782) issued a 48-page report, *Despite a Generous Spirit: Denying Asylum in the United States*. The report profiles the asylum procedures, examines their effect on selected refugee groups, and proposes changes. No price listed.

□ **NY ELDERLY BILLS:** Good Old Lower East Side Inc., a neighborhood preservation company (Cooper Station Box 1003, New York, NY 10003, 212/533-2541) is supporting New York state legislation to prevent the unnecessary eviction of elderly tenants. It has a description of the legislation, and the names of key lawmakers. Contact: Shari Woodard.

□ **ESSAYS ON WORK:** *The Future of Work*, edited by Networker David G. Gil and Eva A. Gil, includes papers from the Future of Work conference of Brandeis University's Center for Social Change Practice and Theory. Copies are \$9.95, from: Schenkman Books, Box 1570, Cambridge, MA 02138.

□ **JOB QUEST:** A Networker, I will obtain an MCRP in May from Rutgers University, and am currently seeking a position with a housing development nonprofit or city agency. I have had experience as an intern with *Shelterforce* and the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation. I prefer DC, Atlanta, Texas or New Mexico. Contact: Debbie Sultemeier, 9 Marvin Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854, 201/463-1839.

□ **HOUSING VIDEO:** *The Closing Door* is a 25-minute video documentary which examines the impacts of the housing crisis in Massachusetts. It is available in Beta or VHS, for rent (\$27) or purchase (\$42). Contact: Tri-CAP Housing Services, 10 High St. #10, Medford, MA 02155, 617/396-5841.

□ **TRAINING FOR ACTIVISTS:** The Minority Activist Apprenticeship Program is an eight-week organizer and leadership training program June 14-August 6, which includes a six-week field placement. Details: Center for Third World Organizing, 3861 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way, Oakland, CA 94609, 415/654-9601.

□ **SHELTERFORCE ARTICLES:** *Shelterforce*, the illustrated bimonthly of the National Housing Institute (439 Main St., Orange, NJ 07050, 201/678-3110) is looking for articles or ideas for articles appropriate for a tenant and housing audience. Contact: Woody Widrow, Editor.

- 1/5H NEWSLETTER:** *Shelter News* is a quarterly newsletter of Canadian action in support of the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless. It is a publication of Rooftops Canada, based in the Canadian cooperative housing community. Contact, Shelter News, 299 Queen St. W. #400, Toronto, Ont. M5V 1Z9, 416/598-1641.
- INFRASTRUCTURE NEWS** is a twice-monthly newsletter on state and local strategies in water supply/quality, roads/bridges, waste/sewage, and transportation. Subscriptions are \$157, from: Infrastructure News, 8555 16th St. #100, Silver Spring, MD 20910, 301/588-6380.
- MANAGING NONPROFITS:** *The Nonprofit Times* is a planned newsletter on management for nonprofit organizations from the Support Center network. Subscriptions are free. Contact: The Support Center, 1410 Que St. N.W., Wash. DC 20009, 202/462-2000, or the Support Center unit nearest to you.
- NICARAGUA NETWORKING:** From Jon Liebman (20 Grovener Rd. #1, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130): I am writing to testify that the information-exchange aspects of the Network do indeed work. Many months ago I wrote asking for information on developments in Nicaragua, in preparation for a course at the Harvard School of Public Health, and as background information for fieldwork on the health effects of the war. I received excellent papers from Bryan Higgins at SUNY/Plattsburgh, Jill Hamburg and Tony Schuman in New York, and Steve Kerpen at Architects and Planners in Support of Nicaragua. Many thanks to each of you. Our working group will soon release its study, which documented direct and indirect effects of the war on the health of civilians in two communities.
- SUMMER IN SANTA FE:** The International Center for Built Environment (54½ E. San Francisco, Santa Fe, NM 87501, 505/988-5270) offers a six-week course July 5-August 15 with classroom and site work on a built environment project in northern New Mexico. Administrative fee is \$200; housing is \$60/week. Academic credit is available.
- NEA DESIGN ARTS:** The National Endowment for the Arts (1100 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20506, 202/682-5437) has issued 32-page guidelines for its 1988 Design Arts competition.
- YOUTH POLICY** is a monthly newsmagazine on youth-related public policy. Subscriptions are \$75, from: Youth Policy Institute, Cardinal Station, Wash. DC 20064, 202/635-6087.
- THIRD WORLD WOMEN:** The Rural Science and Technology Institute (Box 4941), Station E, Ottawa, Ont. K1S 5J1, 819/776-0943) is conducting a study of the extent to which official development assistance has responded to the development objectives of Third World women. Contact: Susan Hurlich, Co-Director.
- HOMELESSNESS BOOK:** *The Homeless in Contemporary Society*, edited by Richard D. Bingham, Roy E. Green, and Sammis B. White, includes essays on understanding homelessness, as well as on policy and program options. P.Ners among the writers include Charley Hoch, Marsha Ritzdorf, and Allen Heskin. Copies are \$14.95 (paper), from: Sage Publications, Box 5084, Newbury Park, CA 91359, 805/499-0721.
- HOMELESSNESS BILL:** Planners Network was among a number of groups joining in a sign-on letter which urged immediate Senate action on the Urgent Relief for the Homeless Act. Things seemed to be moving well, until the measure was caught in a legislative effort to repeal Congressional pay raises. Details: National Coalition for the Homeless, 1620 Eye St. N.W., Wash. DC 20006, 202/659-3310.
- TENANT MANAGEMENT:** The National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise (1367 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036, 202/331-1103) has an information packet on its resident management of public housing program.
- LISC UPDATE:** The Local Initiatives Support Corp. (666 Third Ave., New York, NY 10017, 212/949-8573) has compiled a packet of newspaper clippings on its various programs.
- HOUSING REPORT:** *A Time to Build Up: A Survey of Cities about Housing Policy* is available from: National League of Cities, 1301 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Wash. DC 20004, 202/626-3158.
- TENANT RIGHTS:** The Massachusetts Poverty Law Center (69 Canal St., Boston, MA 02114) has completed *Legal Tactics: Self-Defense for Tenants in Massachusetts* on tenants' rights and housing law. Copies are \$12.
- LAND TRUST PLAN:** Networker Frederick S. Taintor, Planning Director (Planning Department, Memorial Bldg. #B-2, Framingham, MA 01701, 617/620-4852) has won interim town approval for a plan to use \$100,000 in community development block grant funds to capitalize a land trust for affordable housing.
- SINGLE-PARENT HOUSING:** *Housing the Single-Parent Family: A Resource and Action Handbook* is a 50-page resource which covers various shelter needs and an array of action and implementation strategies. Copies are free from: Peggy Huchet, Bureau of Housing and Community Development, Dept. of Community Affairs, 707 Alexander Rd. CN 806, Trenton, NJ 08625, 609/987-2168.
- ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION:** The Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (Box 5595, Wash. DC 20016, 301/587-6137) has begun a mail order bookstore offering selected publications on alternative transportation policy for Third World development, with an emphasis on low-cost and labor intensive means of transport. A publication list is available.
- MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE:** The Center for Management and Community Development (Tufts Univ., 97 Talbot Ave., Medford, MA 02155, 617/381-3549), will hold its fourth annual Management and Community Development Institute, May 30-June 5, at Tufts' Medford campus. Thirty courses will be offered in one- and two-day formats. Details: Sally F. Helms, Associate Director.

## Upcoming Conferences

- ENERGY:** A National Low-Income Energy Conference will be held June 16-19 in Baltimore. Details: National Association of Community Action Agencies, 202/737-9895.
- COMPUTERS/ORGANIZING:** The second New York City Conference on Computers for Social Change will be held June 12-13 at Hunter College, sponsored by the Education Center for Community Organizing and New York Computer Activists. Details: Terry Mizrahe, 212/570-5065; Pat Friedland, 212/614-5401.
- FEMINIST PLANNERS:** The Feminist Planners and Designers Group is sponsoring a conference May 16 at the UCLA Graduate School of Architecture on "Accepting the Challenge: Gender, Race, and Disability in Urban Planning Education." The conference is free. Details: Eryne Alvarez, 213/825-3791.
- WOMEN'S EMPLOYMENT:** The Displaced Homemakers Network and Wider Opportunities for Women (1325 G St. N.W. #LL, Wash. DC 20005) will sponsor a conference November 8-10 in Washington, D.C., on "All in a Day's Work: Organizing for Women's Economic Power." Registration by August 31 is \$160 for members, \$200 for others; after August 31, \$185 and \$225.
- VOLUNTEERISM IN THE SOUTH:** The Southeast Regional Conference on Volunteerism and Citizens Participation will be held April 28-29 in Jackson, Miss., with the theme, "Civic Renewal: A New Vision for Southern America." Contact: Ruth D. Wilson, Office of Voluntary Citizen Participation, 301 W. Pearl St., Jackson, MS 39203, 601/949-2059.
- NEW TOWNS:** Maryland Citizen Planners Association (301 W. Preston St. #1101, Baltimore, MD 21201, 301/225-4500) will sponsor a conference May 2-3 in Greenbelt, Md., celebrating the 50th anniversary of Greenbelt as a model new town for America, and exploring the future of new towns throughout the world. Registration is \$60.
- VOLUNTEERS:** Volunteer—The National Center (1111 N. 19th St. #500, Arlington, VA 22209, 703/276-0542) will sponsor a conference June 21-24 in Orlando as "Foundations for the Future." Registration is \$310.
- TAXATION:** The Georgetown Univ. Law Center Continuing Legal Education Division (25 E St. N.W., Wash. DC 20001, 202/662-9510) will sponsor a seminar May 21-22 in Washington, D.C., on state and local taxation in light of the Tax Reform Act of 1986. Registration is \$440.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT:** The Univ. of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service (200 Montevue Ln., Frederick, MD 21701, 301/694-1586) is sponsoring a seminar May 8 in Frederick, Md., for area local government officials on "Managing Growth." Registration is \$15. Contact: Michael Sowell.
- HOUSING:** The City of Glasgow is sponsoring an international housing conference July 6-10 in Glasgow on "City Renewal through Partnership." Registration is (UK pounds) 287.50, payable to: Glasgow District Council. Contact: International Housing Conference Secretariat, CEP Consultants, 26 Albany St., Edinburgh EH1 3QH.
- ECONOMIC JUSTICE:** The Tri-State Economic Justice Network (c/o Learning Alliance, 339 Lafayette St., New York, NY 10012, 212/473-3689) will sponsor a conference May 1 in New York on "Harnessing the Regional Economy To Serve Our Communities," in the New York, New Jersey, Connecticut area. Registration is \$20.
- LA RAZA:** The National Council of La Raza (20 F St. N.W. 2nd Fl., Wash. DC 20001, 202/628-9600) will hold its annual conference July 12-15 in Chicago, on the theme, "*La Familia Hispana: Our Future, Our Strength.*" Registration before June 30 is \$80 for affiliates, \$150 for others; after June 30, \$120 and \$180.

## Calls for Papers

- ALTERNATIVE ECONOMICS:** Tranet (Box 567, Rangeley, ME 04970, 207/864-2252) is coordinating research and planning for an alternative event in connection with the 1988 economic summit of industrialized nations, which will be held in North America. Called "The Other Economic Summit," the event usually is coordinated by mostly British organizations. Contact Tranet for proposed research/discussion topics.
- ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION:** The Institute for Transportation and Development Policy (Box 5595, Wash. DC 20016, 301/587-6137) is seeking papers and presentations for a January 1988, Washington, D.C., conference session on "Human-Powered Vehicles and Transportation Planning in Developing Countries."

## Jobs

- PN REMINDER:** Some of the jobs we list may have application deadlines earlier than when you receive the Newsletter. But deadlines can be adjusted sometimes. So we urge you to phone first, if a number is listed, and check on the deadline schedule.
- BIKE MECHANIC:** Bikes Not Bombs (Box 5595, Wash. DC 20016, 301/587-6137) has volunteer openings in Managua, Nicaragua, bicycle mechanic training center and assembly workshop. Applicants need good Spanish and mechanical aptitude/experience.
- CONSTRUCTION MANAGER:** Manna (1711 14th St. N.W., Wash. DC 20009, 202/462-8686) has an opening for an experienced construction manager for small multi-family and commercial projects in Washington, D.C.
- HOUSING DIRECTOR:** The City of Berkeley is seeking an experienced Director of Housing and Redevelopment, with good technical skills and community sensitivity. Salary \$36,000-\$44,000. Contact: Personnel Department, 2180 Milvia St., Berkeley, CA 94704, 415/644-6122. PN Member Ed Kirshner, the present Acting Director, will be happy to talk with people about the job, 415/644-6073.
- DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST:** MDC Inc. (1717 Legion

Rd., Chapel Hill, NC 27514, 919/968-4531) has an opening for an experienced economic development specialist to work on job creation policies and programs in rural southern communities. Salary is competitive. Contact: David Dodson.

□ **BROOKLYN NONPROFIT:** The East Williamsburg Valley Industrial Development Corp. (11-29 Catherine St., Brooklyn, NY 11211, 718/388-7287) has openings for an experienced urban planner and for an experienced job developer. Detailed job descriptions are available.

□ **TUFTS FACULTY:** Tufts University (Medford, MA 02155) is seeking candidates for a tenure-track position in Community Economic Development in the Department of Urban and Environmental Policy. The position begins in Fall 1987; it is available to junior or senior applicants. Preferred applicants will

have had extensive experience providing technical assistance for, or conducting research about, economic development activities of public agencies and nonprofit organizations. Contact: Rachel G. Bratt, Chair, Faculty Search Committee, 617/628-5000, ext. 3394.

## Etcetera

□ **JUNE PN DEADLINE:** The arrival deadline for copy for the June *Planners Network* is Monday, June 1. We look forward to hearing from as many Networkers as possible. Our thanks always to those who type their notes. It's a great help in production; and it reduces our chances of misreading what you write.

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## Special Litigation Report

From PN Member Florence Roisman (509 C St. N.E., Wash. DC 20002, 202/543-4900):

**AFDC Payment Levels, *Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless v. Dukakis*** (Clearinghouse No.: 40,714): AFDC payment levels in Massachusetts will be raised because of a lawsuit that could be filed in other places, too.

The Massachusetts statute that authorizes the State's participation in the AFDC program directs that the payment level be adequate to enable families to raise children in their own homes. The Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless and the Massachusetts Human Needs Coalition sued because the State's payment levels were too low to do that. The State trial court ruled for the AFDC recipients. The State chose not to appeal, and the governor and the legislature are now figuring out how to comply with the Court's order.

Other states may have similar statutes.

**Emergency Shelter Assistance, *Maticka v. City of Atlantic City*** (Clearinghouse No.: 36,019): Emergency shelter assistance in New Jersey cannot be limited to 90 days and cannot be withheld from families who knew they were on the verge of homelessness but couldn't find other housing.

New Jersey is one of the states that have opted to have an Emergency Assistance program as part of AFDC. New Jersey, however, limits shelter Emergency Assistance to 90 days, and said that if families had notice of imminent homelessness and didn't forestall it, they couldn't get Emergency Assistance. The intermediate appellate court in New Jersey held that shelter had to be provided for as long as necessary—not arbitrarily limited to 90 days—and couldn't be withheld from families just because they had notice that they'd lose their homes.

**Public Housing Utility Allowances, *Wright v. Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority*** (Clearinghouse No.: 33,657): Public Housing Tenants can challenge inadequate utility allowances in federal court.

Public housing tenants in Roanoke, Virginia, sued the Housing Authority for inadequate utility allowances that required the tenants to pay more than 30 percent of income for shelter including utilities. The trial court and the Court of Appeals held that the tenants could not sue, because Congress

hadn't created a private enforcement remedy. The United States Supreme Court reversed, rejecting the notion that HUD would protect tenants' rights.

**Notices To Quit Enjoined, *Rena Brown v. The Artery Organization*** (Clearinghouse No.: 41,944): A private developer has been enjoined from issuing or enforcing notices to quit because most of the tenants are black or Latino and the developers allegedly "knew, or should have known, that their actions would result overwhelmingly in the displacement of blacks and Latinos both from the two apartment complexes directly involved and from the City . . . itself." Federal District Court Judge Harold H. Greene holds that on this showing the tenants are entitled to a preliminary injunction.

The ruling in this case could be very useful to tenants in the many other situations in which private developers try to evict tenants in order to rehabilitate properties to re-rent them at substantially higher rents. On those facts, in this case the plaintiffs argued that the displacement would violate the Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, because: a Title VIII violation is made out by showing disproportionate racial impact; and this displacement caused disproportionate racial impact in two ways: first, because it would be harder for the minority tenants than for the few white tenants to find relocation housing because of racial discrimination in the market; and, second, because the ultimate effect of the displacement would be to increase segregation in the community.

The District Court agreed that the tenants' case on the merits was strong enough to warrant issuance of a preliminary injunction.

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