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□ **PN QUESTIONNAIRES:** We had promised a report in this issue on Steering Committee action on the very helpful returns from our February "whither/wither PN" questionnaire. But we're not ready, it turns out, and have to ask your indulgence for one more issue. It has taken longer than anticipated to convene the group—even by conference call.

Our plans now are for a conference call with Steering Committee members in mid-May. We will report on the outcome—perhaps most fittingly—in the July PN, our 100th issue.

□ **FINANCIAL MINI-REPORT:** Since the March newsletter, we have received financial contributions of \$728 from 20 Networkers, a sharp drop from our regular support. Even so, we appreciate each contribution. Our year-to-date totals now stand at \$3,425 in contributions from 87 Networkers.

For comparison, the May 1992 newsletter reported 118 contributions, totaling \$4,011.

To tell quickly when you last supported PN with a check, 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. The absence of a date means you have not yet contributed financially, and we'd like a check from you, if possible.

Passing the Word

□ **SOUTH ASIA:** The South Asia Forum (80-56 251st St., Bellerose, NY 11426) has available two books: *Calcutta 300: Kolkata, Memoirs of a Diverse City—Overseas Tribute to Calcutta on Her Tercentenary* (160 pages, \$14.50, paper), and *Regional Disparities and Regional Development Planning of West Bengal*, co-authored by PNER Sachi G. Dastidar (180 pages, \$11, hardcover).

□ **REPORT/CHILDREN:** The Center for the Study of Social Policy (1250 Eye St. N.W., #503, Wash., DC 20005, 202/371-1565) has a fourth edition of *The KIDS Count Data Book: State Profiles of Child Well-Being*, offering a series of state report cards on the condition of America's children. Copies are \$12.50.

□ **DEVELOPMENT/CASINO:** Citizen's Research Education Network (32 Elm St., Hartford, CT 06106, 203/249-1416) has issued a 60-page report, *The Other Side of the Coin: A Casino's Impact in Hartford*, a critical look at a proposal for building a casino-entertainment complex in downtown Hartford. Copies are \$6. Separately, CREN also is accepting ideas for an economic development primer on downtown revitalization strategies.

□ **HEALTH CARE/COALITION:** A new Coalition for National Health Reform and Access to Care for the Underserved has been formed in Washington, focusing on universal coverage, access to care, comprehensive benefits, strengthened community-based care, appropriate health care personnel, and transition to comprehensive reform. Details: Dan Hawkins, National Association of Community Health Care, 1330 New Hampshire Ave. N.W., Wash., DC 20036, 202/659-8008.

□ **RACE FILE** is a new bimonthly compilation of articles on current events and trends in U.S. communities of color, edited by veteran activist/scholar Linda Burnham. Subscriptions are \$35 for individuals, higher for organizations, from: Applied Research Center, 440 Grand Ave. #401, Oakland, CA 94610, 510/834-7072. A sample copy is free.

□ **HEALTH CARE/LETTERS:** The American Public Health Association (1015 15th St. N.W., Wash., DC 20005, 202/789-5600) has a "key points" sheet for a letter-writing campaign to the Task Force on National Health Care Reform (White House, Wash., DC 20500), supporting a strengthened public health infrastructure and single-payer financing.

□ **SUSTAINING JOBS:** *The Neighborhood Works* (Center for Neighborhood Technology, 2125 W. North Ave., Chicago, IL 60647, 312/278-4800) has published a 66-page special issue, "Sustainable Manufacturing: Saving Jobs, Saving the Environment," by Valjean McLenighan. Copies are \$12.

□ **HEALTH CARE DATA:** The National Association of Community Health Centers (1330 New Hampshire Ave. N.W., Wash., DC 20036, 202/659-8008) has available two resources: *Lives in the Balance: The Health Status of America's Medically Underserved Populations* (53 pages), and *Access to Community Health Care*. No prices listed.

□ **GUESTWORKERS/GERMANY:** Guestworker advocates at the Free University of Berlin (Kiebitzweg 23, 1000 Berlin 33, Germany, fax 831-45-36) are protesting German government plans to expel guestworkers from Angola, Mozambique, and Vietnam, and are urging a solidarity letter-writing campaign against the government's threat.

□ **LEAD POISONING CENTER:** The newly formed National Lead Information Center, operated by the National Safety Council, has established a toll-free number, 800/532-3394, for requesting an information package in English or Spanish.

□ **HMDA DATA:** The November 1992 *Multinational Monitor* included a seven-page article, "Opening the Book on Lending Discrimination," by Jonathan Brown, on computerized analyses of mortgage loan applications by Home Mortgage Disclosure Act reporters. It's yours with a self-addressed stamped envelope to us.

□ **HEALTH CARE/CHILDREN:** The National Center for Children in Poverty (154 Haven Ave., New York, NY 10032, 212/927-8793) has issued a report, *Caring Prescriptions: Strategies for Comprehensive Health Care for Young Children in Poverty*, by Karen Bell and Linda Simkin. Copies are \$15.95.

□ **LA FOLLOW-UP:** The March 29 and May 3 issues of *The Nation* included a two-part critique, "Los Angeles—A Year Later," by Eric Mann of the Labor/Community Strategy Center.

□ **HEALTH CARE/CHILDREN:** "U.S. Health Care for Children" is a special 193-page issue, edited by Richard Berhman,

of *The Future of Children* (Winter 1992). Free copies: Center for the Future of Children, 300 Second St. #102, Los Altos, CA 94022, 415/948-3696.

□ **WORKER RETRAINING:** There's been action on several fronts related to the federal Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification (WARN) Act: Sen. Howard Metzenbaum's Subcommittee on Labor held a hearing February 23 on "Revising the WARN Act: Coverage, Compliance, and Enforcement" (testimony, 202/224-2315); the General Accounting Office (Box 6015, Gaithersburg, MD 20854) has issued two reports, *Dislocated Workers: Implementation of the WARN Act* (GAO/T-HRD-93-6), and *Dislocated Workers: WARN Act Not Meeting Its Goals* (GAO/HRD-93-18); also working on WARN Act reform is Julie Hurwitz of the Sugar Law Center, 2915 Cadillac Twr., Detroit, MI 48226, 313/962-6540.

□ **HOMELESS/MENTALLY ILL:** The Federal Task Force on Homelessness and Severe Mental Illness has issued a report, *Outcasts on Main Street*. Copies (likely free): National Resource Center on Homelessness and Mental Illness, 800/444-7415.

□ **ANNUAL REPORT:** The Community Information Exchange (1029 Vermont Ave. N.W. #710, Wash., DC 20005, 202/628-2981) has issued a 12-page annual report on its activities and services in 1992. No price listed.

□ **HOMELESS/STRATEGY:** A short report on a project to move beyond emergency homelessness relief, such as in the 1987 McKinney Act, toward long-term assistance focusing on affordable housing, job training and jobs, health and mental health care, and civil rights is available from: Maria Foscarinis of the National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty, 918 F St. N.W. #412, Wash., DC 20004, 202/638-2535.

□ **CDBG OVERSIGHT:** Printed manuscripts of hearings October 21, 1991, and March 18, 1992, by the House Government Operations Subcommittee on Employment and Housing, *Misuse of HUD Community Development Block Grant Funds*, have become available, from the Government Printing Office (for a fee), or free from the Subcommittee (B349A RHOB, Wash., DC 20515, 202/225-6751) or your Representative.

□ **HOMELESS/SPEAKERS:** The National Coalition for the Homeless (1612 K St. N.W. 10th Fl., Wash., DC 20006, 202/775-1322) has formed a speakers' bureau of homeless/formerly homeless people, social service providers, and homeless/housing advocates. Contact: PNER Michael Stoops.

□ **HATE GROUPS/RESPONSE:** The Center for Democratic Renewal (Box 60469, Atlanta, GA 30302, 404/221-0025) has published a revised edition of its 189-page handbook, *When Hate Groups Come to Town*. Copies are \$18.95.

□ **HOUSING NY/LEGAL:** The Community Outreach Program of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York has prepared a *Guide to the Housing Court* video and a *Tenant's Guide to the Housing Court* pamphlet to familiarize both tenants and landlord on Housing Court procedures and protocol. Copies: Laurie Milder, 212/382-6629. No prices listed.

□ **RESEARCH/URBAN:** The National League of Cities (1301 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Wash., DC 20004, 202/626-3000) has issued a 17-page research report by Larry Ledebur and William

Barnes, *All in It Together: Cities, Suburbs, and Local Economic Regions*. No price listed.

□ **HUD REPORTS:** HUD User (Box 6091, Rockville, MD 20850, 800/245-2691) has two reports on resident management in public housing: *Evaluation of Resident Management in Public Housing* and *Report on Emerging Resident Management Corporations in Public Housing*; and a separate report, *The Location of Worst-Case Needs in the Late 1980s: A Report to Congress*, on problems among, and responsive strategies for, low-income renters in 44 large metro areas. Copies are \$4 each.

□ **ECONOMY/ENVIRONMENT:** The Northwest Policy Center (Univ. of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195, 206/543-7900) has issued a 67-page report, *Beyond Polarization: Emerging Strategies for Reconciling Community and the Environment*, which describes promising community efforts, and provides policy recommendations. Copies are \$10.

□ **PUBLIC HOUSING/ELDERLY:** *Aging in Place: The Demographics and Service Needs of Elders in Public Housing*, by William Hofshouser Jr., presents findings from a survey of 133 large public housing authorities. Copies are \$34, from: Citizens Housing and Planning Association, 16 North St. 3rd Fl., Boston, MA 02109, 617/742-0820.

□ **REGULATORY BURDEN/BANKS:** The Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (2700 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. #200, Wash., DC 20037, 202/634-6526) has issued a Congressionally mandated report, *Study of Regulatory Burden*, on lenders' assertions that government regulations, including the Community Reinvestment Act, imposed excessive administrative burdens. Copies are \$20.

□ **HOUSING NY/REPORTS:** The Community Service Society of New York (105 E. 22nd St., New York, NY 10010, 212/614-5492) has issued two reports: *We Are the Landlords Now: A Report on Community-Based Housing Management*, by Douglas Turetsky (94 pages, no price listed), and *Housing on the Block, Disinvestment and Abandonment Risks in NYC Neighborhoods*, by Victor Bach and Sherece West (134 pages, no price listed).

□ **MINORITY ELDERS:** The Center on Rural Elderly (Univ. of Missouri, Kansas City, MO 64110) has published a *Directory of Programs for Minority Elders: Caregiver Education, Health Education & Intergovernmental Relations*. Copies are \$6.

□ **MORTGAGE DEMONSTRATION:** ACORN Housing has developed, with funding from Fannie Mae, an experimental mortgage loan program in 11 cities for families in the \$15,000-\$30,000 annual income range. Downpayments are low, credit standards are flexible, and ACORN provides counseling. Details: Michael Shea, ACORN Housing Corp., 11 W. Harrison 2nd Fl., Chicago, IL 60605, 312/939-1611.

□ **CDC TRAINING:** HUD has awarded OKM Associates (164 Canal St., Boston, MA 02114, 617/742-8620) a contract to assist existing community development corporations and CDC-aspiring community organizations in developing capacity for economic revitalization activities. Applications were due April 5, but the deadline may be flexible.

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How the Pentagon Redlines America's Cities

by Marion Anderson and Peter Dreier

In all the recent discussions of urban decay, especially since the Los Angeles riots, few have pointed their finger at the biggest looter of all—the Pentagon.

For decades, the Pentagon has redlined some major American cities. The result: corporate flight, job loss, and fiscal trauma.

The \$1-billion emergency urban aid program passed by Congress after the riots pales in comparison to what the Pentagon drains from America's cities.

The Department of Defense saps that much just out of New York City *every six weeks*. In 1990 alone, 18 out of the 25 largest cities suffered a total loss of \$24 billion in their balance of payments with the Pentagon.

A recent study by Employment Research Associates for the Boston Redevelopment Authority showed the amount coming into each city in military contracts and salaries, and compared this sum with the taxes drained out of the city which go to the military budget.

The sums lost are enormous. New York City loses \$8.4 billion a year; Los Angeles, \$3.3 billion; Chicago, \$3.1 billion; Houston, \$1.7 billion; Detroit, already devastated by auto plant closures, over \$900 million; and Dallas, \$731 million.

The employment impact of this drain-off of funds is equally dramatic. Americans understand that military contracts and payroll coming into an area mean jobs. The converse is also true; money going out means jobs lost.

New York's annual loss is about 250,000 full-time jobs; Los Angeles and Chicago each lose about 100,000 jobs; Houston, over 50,000 jobs; Detroit, about 30,000 jobs; and Dallas, 22,000 jobs.

But it is not a zero-sum game. The jobs lost in New York do not all show up in San Diego, for example, which shows a net gain from Pentagon spending. Tens of billions of dollars are being spent overseas to subsidize the defense of Europe, Japan, and other rich allies, who no longer need it, especially now that Russia is considered a partner, not an enemy.

While the U.S. is paying soldiers and building B-2s, our competitor nations are

outperforming the U.S., because they are investing in their children, workforce, infrastructure, civilian factories, and nonmilitary research and development.

The end of the Cold War provides an unprecedented opportunity to cut the military budget substantially. Even mainstream defense experts now believe the Department of Defense budget can be reduced by as much as \$150 billion a year in the next five years without weakening national security.

Last year, Congress failed to tear down the federal budget wall between the military and domestic sections of the budget. Why? Partly because of what we call the Pentagon NIMBY (Not in My Back Yard) syndrome.

Last September, for instance, President Bush, far behind Clinton in the Missouri polls, traveled to St. Louis and announced the sale to Saudi Arabia of F-15 jet fighters, which are manufactured by McDonnell-Douglas, the state's largest employer. The sale is highly questionable on defense and foreign policy grounds, but Bush made little pretense of discussing geopolitics. He emphasized the 7,000 local jobs generated by the sale.

Similarly, Sen. John Warner (R-VA)

PN Special Feature

In its Special Feature, *Planners Network* presents thoughtful, provocative writings 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 (Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, Forbes Quadrangle, Univ. of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA 15260, 412/648-7600; Fax: 412/648-2605).

We are grateful for Networkers' support of this feature, and encourage continued ideas, suggestions, commentary, and dialogue.

used his clout to fund two expensive and unnecessary aircraft carriers to be built in his state's Newport News shipyard.

These actions are not surprising for conservative Republicans, but even many liberal members of Congress say: Cut bases and contracts in someone else's district, not mine.

For instance, Sen. Chris Dodd (D-CT), facing re-election, successfully lobbied his Senate colleagues to vote funding for two Seawolf submarines (built in Groton, CT), which had already been cut by the Administration.

There simply has not been a sufficient game plan for converting America's war economy to a peace economy.

The Pentagon has always fought conversion bills filed in Congress. It prefers to keep employees of military firms frightened by cutbacks, and dependent on military largesse.

As a result, many local officials, Chambers of Commerce, and affected trade unions resist the impact of Pentagon cuts in their communities.

The workers, firms, and communities which have depended on military spending should not be the victims of the end of the Cold War.

But the only way to guarantee that the peace dividend will be a win-win situation for all Americans is to link large-scale military budget cuts to large expenditures for critically needed domestic civilian programs. It will also require retooling plants while retraining workers for new jobs, and shifting research and development priorities to civilian uses.

This combination of reallocating our federal budget and planning for a civilian peace economy is the only way to alleviate the anxiety of military contractors and personnel, so they stop blocking Pentagon budget cuts.

For decades, America has put its domestic needs on hold, allowed its cities to deteriorate, and mortgaged its children's future, while feeding the Pentagon and the arms race.

Investing the peace dividend in America's civilian economy will generate more jobs and do more to revitalize the economy than maintaining our military industrial complex.

Then, we can repair our crumbling infrastructure, restore the American dream of homeownership, improve our educational system, and employ our talented engineers and scientists in improving our

society.

In fact, an annual shift of \$150 billion out of the military into a mix of critical civilian goods and services would generate a net gain of about one million jobs.

President Bush never addressed the need to make major cuts in the defense budget and put significant funds into conversion. Said Boston Mayor Ray Flynn, past president of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, "Mr. Bush did not seem to realize that the biggest danger facing America is not the Red Menace but the pink slip."

But Clinton, as a Presidential candidate, incorporated the need for serious Pentagon cuts into his standard stump speech, the party platform, and economic policy statement. The Clinton plan is still cautious and short on specifics, but he has at least shown an understanding of the problem and opportunity.

Clinton proposes over \$100 billion in annual savings from the defense budget within five years. He has called for retraining defense workers, while giving them an economic lifeline so they do not lose their houses or health benefits.

Moreover, Clinton supports a transfer from military to civilian research and development, and a major investment in a 21st Century infrastructure, including high-speed rail.

However, there is a problem. The Clinton Administration has put considerable emphasis on upgrading American manufacturing capabilities. But it has handed over much of the funding and responsibility for this initiative to the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)—a Department of Defense unit.

The DARPA's new mission is to increase dual-use (military and civilian) technology. The central problem is whether the agency will continue its military emphasis, thus shortchanging the civilian needs of our industrial base.

Another problem is the lack of adequate advanced planning—particularly within the impacted communities—for alternative uses of military plants and bases. A step in the right direction is legislation proposed by Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-CA), the Economic Conversion Clearinghouse Act (S 850).

For the past half-century, the military-industrial complex has served as the nation's de facto industrial policy, planned and subsidized by the federal government, based on the location of military contracts and facilities.

The point is not that cities should get

PAYING DEARLY FOR THE PENTAGON

Pentagon Tax Burden and Expenditures for the 25 Largest U.S. Cities, Fiscal Year 1990

City	Military Expenditures (\$ millions)	Pentagon Tax (\$ millions)	Net Gain or Loss (\$ millions)	Net Gain or Loss Per Family
New York	\$ 754.3	\$ 9,133.8	\$ -8,379.5	\$ -3,600
Los Angeles	1,472.7	4,747.4	-3,274.7	-3,000
Chicago	253.5	3,355.9	-3,102.4	-3,500
Houston	573.1	2,343.0	-1,769.9	-3,400
Phoenix	181.5	1,258.4	-1,076.9	-3,500
Detroit	60.3	987.7	-927.4	-2,900
San Francisco	471.8	1,246.0	-774.2	-3,400
Nashville, TN	12.6	767.1	-754.5	-4,700
Dallas	783.5	1,514.8	-731.3	-2,300
Boston	116.5	798.3	-681.8	-3,800
Milwaukee	134.8	730.2	-595.4	-3,000
San Jose	637.4	1,037.8	-400.4	-1,600
Columbus, OH	387.2	784.6	-397.4	-2,000
Memphis, TN	635.7	806.6	-170.9	-1,000
Jacksonville, FL	697.4	860.4	163.0	-800
Philadelphia	1,682.3	1,834.1	-151.8	-300
Indianapolis	981.5	1,083.0	-101.5	-400
Cleveland	433.7	512.0	-78.3	-500
El Paso	566.2	531.1	+35.1	+200
New Orleans	827.5	583.7	+243.8	+1,600
San Antonio	1,443.9	1,147.3	+296.6	+1,000
Baltimore	1,194.6	790.0	+404.6	+1,700
Seattle	1,392.4	812.3	+580.1	+3,500
Washington, D.C.	2,356.8	862.0	+1,494.8	+7,800
San Diego	5,544.8	1,579.1	+3,965.7	+11,300

Sources: Employment Associates, Boston Redevelopment Authority.

their fair share of the Pentagon pork barrel. Rather, now that the Cold War is over, and in the wake of the Los Angeles riots, we can dismantle the military-industrial complex, and allocate federal dollars instead based on the nation's domestic needs.

Reinvesting the peace dividend in America's cities should be the centerpiece of a progressive domestic agenda, based on rebuilding a competitive civilian economy and satisfying the human needs of the American people.

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Passing the Word

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- TENANTS; RIGHTS and How To Protect Them**, written by tenant organizers and housing advocates, has been published by the New York City Commission on Human Rights. It's New York-specific, but could be modified for elsewhere. Copies \$4.33, from: Citybooks, 1 Centre St. #2223, New York, NY 10007, 212/669-8245.
- JOB GUIDES:** PNER Dan Lauber (Planning/Communications, 7215 Oak Ave., River Forest, IL 60305) is preparing updates of his popular *Job Finder* books on government, nonprofits, and the professions.
- RIGHT TO HOUSING:** PNER Mary Ellen Hombs of the Legal Services Homelessness Task Force (National Housing Law Project, 122 C St. N.W. #680, Wash., DC 20001, 202/783-5140) has written a 10-page memo, "Working for a Right to Housing in the U.S."
- WORKER OWNERSHIP and Participation Enhances Economic Development in Low-Opportunity Communities**, by Marc Bendick Jr. and Mary Lou Egan, is a 41-page publication from: Bendick & Egan, 3760 39th St. N.W., Wash., DC 20016, 202/686-0245. No price listed.
- INSURANCE REDLINING:** Two pending House bills (HR 1257, HR 1188) are aimed at halting redlining by insurance companies, with provisions modeled after the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act. Details: ACORN, 739 8th St. S.E., Wash., DC 20003, 202/547-9292.
- INDIANS/SACRED SITES:** The Sacred Earth Coalition (1819 N.W. Everett, Portland, OR 97209, 503/221-0162) works to prevent the destruction of Native American sacred sites.
- AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** The Institute for Community Economics (57 School St., Springfield, MA 01105, 413/746-8660) has issued two publications: *Profiles of Community Land Trusts* (59 pages, \$5), and *Designing Resale Formulas for Homeownership Programs Using HOME Funds or Other Subsidies To Achieve Affordability* (27 pages, \$15).
- KERNER 25th:** The Milton Eisenhower Foundation (1660 L St. N.W. #200, Wash., DC 20036, 202/429-0440) has issued *Investing in Children and Youth, Reconstructing Our Cities—Doing What Works To Reverse the Betrayal of American Democracy*, a report commemorating the 25th anniversary of the National Advisory (Kerner) Commission on Civil Disorders. Order from the foundation.
- HOUSING/CLINTON:** The Low Income Housing Information Service (1012 14th St. N.W. #1200, Wash., DC 20005, 202/662-1530) has issued a *Special Memorandum*, analyzing the housing impact of President Clinton's proposed budget and economic stimulus package. No price listed.
- SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES:** GrassRoots Resource Inc. (Box 11343, Takoma Park, MD 20913, 301/588-7227) has published the first issue of a new quarterly, *SURE (Sustainable Urban/Rural Enterprise) Exchange*, as an information resource for groups involved in sustainable communities' issues. Offered as a membership service; individual memberships begin at \$18.
- HOUSING RECEIVERSHIP—A New Tool for Code Enforcement** is a resource available from *Shelterforce*, 439 Main St., Orange, NJ 07050, 201/678-3110.
- PARENTS/SCHOOLS:** "Beyond Pizza Sales: Parent Involvement in the 1990s" is the topic of the Spring 1993 *Rethinking Schools* (1001 E. Keefe Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53212, 414/964-9646). Copies are \$3, with bulk rates available.
- RURAL DEVELOPMENT:** *Rural Enterprise Zones in Theory and Practice: An Assessment of Their Development Potential* is a 52-page report by Richard Reeder of the Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1301 New York Ave. N.W. #324, Wash., DC 20005, 202/219-0542. Single copies are free.
- STATE BUDGETS:** The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (777 N. Capitol St. N.E. #705, Wash., DC 20002, 202/408-1080) has issued a 103-page report, *The States and The Poor: How Budget Decisions Affected Low-Income People in 1992*, by Iris Lav, Edward Lazere and others.
- SPECIAL ED/NY:** Advocates for Children (24-16 Bridge Plaza S. Long Island City, NY 11101, 718/729-8866) has issued a 120-page report, *Segregated and Second Rate: Special Education in New York*, which describes the country's most segregated state special education system, and recommends a more inclusive, quality approach. Copies are \$15.
- DEVELOPMENT/VERMONT:** The Vermont Business Association for Social Responsibility (Box 462, Burlington, VT 05402, 802/862-8347) has issued a 10-page *Economic Development Position Statement*, which stresses long-term sustainable development, with a Vermont focus. No price listed.
- ENVIRONMENTAL RACISM:** Southwest Media Productions (Box 9308, Albuquerque, NM 87119) has a 30-minute radio documentary on environmental racism in the U.S., *Endangered Species: The Poisoning of Communities of Color*. Copies are \$10.
- WELFARE REFORM:** A four-page article, "Fighting Back! Challenging the Myths of Welfare Reform," by Mimi Abramovitz and Fred Newdom (ProAct Consulting Services, Box 2392, Empire St. Plaza, NY 12220), reprinted from the Spring 1992 *BCR (Bertha Capen Reynolds Society) Reports*, is available from Newdom.
- INNER CITIES/FOOD:** The UCLA Food Project (Graduate School of Architecture and Urban Planning, Univ. of California, Los Angeles, CA 90024, 310/825-1067) has prepared a report for the Interfaith Hunger Coalition, *Food Strategies for the Inner City: An Analysis of the Food System and Prospects for Change in Los Angeles and the U.S.* Contact: Robert Gottlieb.
- SOUTH END PRESS** (116 St. Botolph St., Boston, MA 02115, 800/533-8478) has issued a number of new books, including *Imperial Alibis: Rationalizing U.S. Intervention after the Cold War*, by Stephen Rosskamm Shalom, and *Year 501: The Conquest Continues*, by Noam Chomsky.

□ **POVERTY/PRINCIPLES:** The Winter 1993 *Community Change* newsletter (Center for Community Change, 1000 Wisconsin Ave. N.W., Wash., DC 20007, 202/342-0519) includes a two-page article, "What To Do About Poverty in America: Six Principles."

□ **NETWORKER UPDATE:** From Raoul Pierre-Louis (BP 2386, Bamako, Mali): I've been in Mali's capital, Bamako, since January, working on developing a new forestry sector policy for this Sahelian country. The forest strategy emphasizes local natural resources management.

□ **SUBSIDIZING WORK:** The Helen Bader Foundation (777 E. Wisconsin Ave. #3275, Milwaukee, WI 53202, 414/224-6464) is providing major support for the New Hope Project, a three-year demonstration in subsidizing work for Milwaukee individuals and families who currently are poor. Details: Robert Pietrykowski of Helen Bader.

□ **LATINOS/U.S. ECONOMY:** *Latinos in a Changing U.S. Economy: Comparative Perspectives on Growing Inequality*, edited by Pners Rebecca Morales and Frank Bonilla, focuses on economic restructuring, human capital, and racial discrimination, and explores through urban case studies the ethnic diversity of Latinos in the U.S. Copies are \$21.95, from: Sage Publications Inc., 2455 Teller Rd., Newbury Park, CA 91320.

□ **NONPROFIT RESOURCE:** The Grantsmanship Center (Box 17220, Los Angeles, CA 90017, 213/482-9860) publishes *The Whole Nonprofit Catalogue*, which is free to nonprofits and government agencies.

□ **ELDERLY POOR/NONPOOR:** The General Accounting Office (Box 6015, Gaithersburg, MD 20884) has issued a report, *Elderly Americans: Health, Housing, and Nutrition Gaps between the Poor and Nonpoor* (GAO/PEMD-92-90). Single copies are free.

□ **COMMUNITY SELF-HELP:** The Program on Social Change and Development (School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins Univ., Wash., DC 20036, 202/663-5691) has issued a 45-page annotated directory, *Making It Happen: Community Self-Help—A Survey of Groups and Programs in Washington, DC*. Copies are \$4.

□ **JOBS/COMMUNITY-BASED:** The Community Information Exchange (1029 Vermont Ave. N.W. #710, Wash., DC 20005, 202/628-2981) has issued a 16-page quarterly *Strategy Alert* on "Community Job Initiatives: Readiness, Training, Creation and Retention." The report includes case studies and additional resources. Subscriptions are \$25.

□ **COMMUNITY GROUPS/RURAL:** Rural Southern Voice for Peace (1898 Hannah Branch Rd., Burnsville, NC 28714, 704/675-5933) operates the Listening Project, which helps community groups organize community projects, and trains volunteers in carrying out community surveys, with empowerment as the goal.

□ **URBAN ENVIRONMENT:** Pner William Goldsmith (Dept. of City and Regional Planning, Cornell Univ., Ithaca, NY 14853) and Porus Olpadwala have begun a project on studies of poverty, the environment, and urbanization. They published "The Sustainability of Privilege: Reflections on the Environment, the

Third World City, and Poverty" in the April 1992 *World Development*.

□ **TRAINING/COALITIONS:** The Education Center for Community Organizing (Hunter College School of Social Work, New York, NY 10021, 212/452-7150) operates a research and training project, "Coalitions: Enhancing Capacity and Effectiveness," which provides customized training and technical assistance on coalition and collaboration development. Contact Beth Rosenthal or Pner Terry Mizrahi.

□ **CLINTON BUDGET:** The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (777 N. Capitol St. N.E. #705, Wash., DC 20002, 202/408-1080) has issued a 60-page report, *A New Direction: The Clinton Budget and Economic Plan*, by Robert Greenstein and Paul Leonard.

□ **SELF-ADVOCACY:** The Right Question Project (167 Holland St., Somerville, MA 02144, 617/628-4070) focuses on strategies and training to enable low-income people to advocate for themselves and their children, and participate effectively in decisions affecting them.

□ **FELLOWSHIPS:** The Univ. of Michigan's Research and Training Program on Poverty, the Underclass, and Public Policy (Ann Arbor, MI 48109) is offering one- and two-year post-doctoral fellowships to American minority scholars. Details: Sheldon Danziger, 313/764-6158.

□ **COMMUNITY ACTIVISM:** The Policy Research Action Group (264s Granada Center, Loyola Univ., Chicago, IL 60626, 213/508-3468) is seeking candidates for its September 8-December 17 Community Studies Internship Program, which places interns in Chicago-area community-based organizations, and carries a \$2,250 stipend. PRAG also provides research grants up to \$5,000 for community-based projects linking researchers, CBOs, and community residents.

□ **FUNDRAISING:** The Grantsmanship Center (800/421-9512) runs workshops throughout the year, and in all parts of the country, on preparing grant proposals, and on foundation, corporate, and government funding.

Upcoming Conferences

□ **SOCIAL WELFARE:** The Bertha Capen Reynolds Society (347 Wellington Rd., Delmar, NY 12054), a national organization of progressives in social welfare work, is sponsoring a conference June 18-20 in Northampton, MA, "Practicing as Progressives in the New Political Context: Reclaiming Rights." Among the workshop panelists is PN Chair Chester Hartman. Registration after June 1 ranges from \$75 for low-income persons to \$125 for others.

□ **TUFTS INSTITUTE:** The 10th annual Management and Community Development Institute will be held June 5-11 at the Lincoln Filene Center of Tufts Univ., Medford, MA 02155, 617/627-3549.

□ **HOUSING/ACCESS:** The Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta (Box 105565, Atlanta, GA 30348, 404/888-8000) is sponsoring a conference June 10-11 in Atlanta, "Housing America: Opening Doors Wider."

DEVELOPING COMMUNITY: The Community Development Society (1123 N. Water St., Milwaukee, WI 53202, 414/276-7106) will hold its 25th annual conference July 18-21 in Milwaukee, "Rededicating Ourselves to Community."

LAND TRUSTS: The Institute for Community Economics (57 School St., Springfield, MA 01105, 413/746-8660) is sponsoring two August events in Cincinnati: an introductory workshop on land trusts August 4-5, and "Heading Home: A Conference on Community Land Trusts and Progressive Housing Policy" August 5-8.

ENTERPRISE ZONES: The Hudson Institute (Box 26919, Indianapolis, IN 46226, 317/545-1000) is sponsoring October 21-24 in Indianapolis a national conference on community development in enterprise zones.

Jobs

PN REMINDER: Some of the jobs we list may have publication deadlines earlier than when you receive the newsletter. But deadlines sometimes can be adjusted. So we urge you to phone first, if a number is listed, and check on the deadline schedule.

TUFTS FACULTY: The Tufts Univ. Department of Urban and Environmental Policy (Medford, MA 02155) has a faculty opening.

POLICY OFFICER: The Local Initiatives Support Corp. (733 Third Ave., New York, NY 10017, 212/455-9800) is seeking a Policy Officer to work in its Washington, DC, office on public

policy activities around community-based development. Contact: Mary Jo Allen.

REVITALIZATION: The City of Berkeley (CA) is seeking a Revitalization Coordinator to oversee economic revitalization efforts in South Berkeley. Salary is \$50,000-\$60,000. Contact: Kate Squire, Community Development Department, 2180 Milvia St., Berkeley, CA 94704, 510/644-6309.

TEMPLE FACULTY: The Temple Univ. Department of Geography and Urban Studies (Philadelphia, PA 19122) is seeking to fill a one-year appointment at the Assistant Professor level. Contact: Anne Shlay, Temple Institute for Public Policy Studies.

SUMMER INTERN: The National Housing Policy Initiative of the Low-Income Housing Information Service (1012 14th St. N.W. #1200, Wash., DC 20005, 202/662-1530) is seeking a Summer Intern for the June 1-July 30 period. The stipend is \$800 a month. Contact: Bea Trapasso or Chloe Fiering.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: The Poverty & Race Research Action Council (1875 Connecticut Ave. N.W. #714, Wash., DC 20009, 202/387-9887) is seeking an Assistant Director, with responsibilities in all phases of the organization's work. Contact: Chester Hartman, Executive Director.

LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT: The National Low Income Housing Coalition (1012 14th St. N.W. #1200, Wash., DC 20005, 202/662-1530) has an opening for a Legislative Assistant. No salary listed.

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 systems.

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.

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Ex Conferences

HEALTH CARE: The Universal Health Care Action Network (1800 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44115, 216/241-8422), a national single-payer coalition, sponsored a conference May 15-16 in Chicago, "Grassroots Politics and Health Care Reform: Now What?"

HOUSING POLICY: The National Housing Conference (1126 16th St. N.W., Wash., DC 20036, 202/223-4844) held its annual policy conference May 17-18 in Washington, "Building Communities of Quality."

CDCs: the Community Development Research Center of the New School for Social Research (212/229-5415) held a conference May 7 on "More than Housing: How Community Development Corporations Go about Changing Lives and Neighborhoods."

Etcetera

PN #100 DEADLINE: The arrival deadline for copy for the next *Planners Network*, PN #100, is Monday, July 5. We look forward to hearing from as many Networkers as possible. As always, our thanks to those who can type their notes. It reduces our chances of misreading what you write.

Arrival deadline for PN #100 copy: Monday, July 5.

TALK UP PN: Please don't be shy about sharing news of the Planners Network with others. Let them know about us. Probably the best outreach we have is when you educate and recruit your friends, co-workers, acquaintances, and others. We have a good, one-page introductory sheet, "The Planners

Network—What It Is," which we can send you in any quantity you wish. "What It Is" includes a statement of our principles, a brief organizational history, a list of Steering Committee members (who double as regional contacts), and the method of calculating contributions.

MOVING? TELL PN: When you move, please let us know directly. A thoughtful change-of-address postcard will cost you just 19 cents. On the other hand, if the Post Office returns our (non-forwardable) Third Class newsletter with your new address, which is how we often learn of PNers' moves (we mark the newsletter "Address Correction Requested, "), it costs us far more. So please help us cut our costs, send us a postcard.

PERSONAL UPDATES: There are a number of short communications in this issue from Network members, letting us know about new jobs, projects, what's happening in their lives, etc. We encourage this. Sharing this kind of "where-I'm-at" information helps create a sense of community, provide contact, and generate support.

ADDRESS CHANGES: Many Networkers seem to move around a lot. When you do, please let us have your old address and zip code as well as your new one. Names (like luggage) sometimes look alike, and we want to be sure we change the right address card. Moreover, our cards are maintained in zip code order (because that's the way the Post Office wants the mail); so if we don't have your old zip code, we can't find your old card, and we wind up paying postage for phantom recipients. So please help us, and send both old and new addresses.

"CALL" STATEMENT: We have a one-page, broadside version of the "Call for Social Responsibility in the Planning and Building Profession," which appeared in PN #49. Copies are available on request. It makes a good addition to "The Planners Network—What It Is" in recruiting members.

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