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### **Center for Applied Urban Research**

# ANNUAL REPORT 1981 - 1982

THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AT OMAHA



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#### INTRODUCTION

Center 1981-82 the for Applied Urban Research During experienced an increased demand for services and was able to respond to this demand, even though the general economic climate was not the most supportive. Productivity was increased in all three of CAUR's mission categories: applied research, community service/technical assistance, and training. More projects were initiated in 1981-82 than at any time in the history of CAUR. While CAUR continued to serve its past clients, a number of new clients were also provided with services. These included communities such as McCook, Nebraska; agencies such as the Nebraska Development Center at Beatrice and the Neighborhood Housing Services in Omaha; and regional organizations such Nebraska Southcentral Rural Development Task Force and Southwest Iowa Transportation Authority. Citizens across state of Nebraska will be touched by the result of CAUR's effort in serving as a catalyst in organizing the Nebraska Coalition for Consumer Education. Educators in criminal justice and criminology will benefit from a CAUR project to house and provide support services to the office of the executive secretary for the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences. CAUR also provided direct services to its parent institution, the University of Nebraska at Omaha, by undertaking studies in alumni participation, the economic impact of the university, and parking/mass transit usage.

The merger of the Center for Urban Education (CUE) with CAUR that took place one year ago has proven to be successful and has resulted in new training packages and contracts. CAUR staff have made effective utilization of the CUE facility on North 16th A number of different agencies and organizations have Street. used this facility during the past year. These include the Head Start Child Development Corporation, Nebraskans United for Food, the Horace Mann Neighborhood Group, the Legal Aid Society, North Omaha Teacher Corps Community Council, North Omaha Agencies Organization, Council on Family and Youth. the Safe Transportation for Children Workshop, American Cancer Society, Trust for Public Land (U.S. Department of the Interior), Greater Omaha Neighborhood Coalition, and the Urban Housing Foundation. In addition, a major CAUR training contract, the Foster Parent Training Program, is administered from the CUE facility.

Not only has CAUR expanded the number of projects and clients, it has also expanded into new areas of expertise. During 1981-82, CAUR began to assist local governments in making decisions about the acquisition and use of electronic data processing equipment and software. A training program on data processing and local government was delivered to over 90 government officials. A similar program was delivered to secondary school officials. Technical assistance contracts for needs assessments and help in acquisition decisions were developed for the cities of McCook and Omaha. A major grant from the Kellogg Foundation will support a statewide demonstration and training project in the use of microcomputers by local governments.

In summary, 1981-82 was a year with many challenges and many successes. The coming year will present even greater challenges as more and more state and local government agencies and community groups turn to CAUR for assistance. CAUR is confident that, with the support and assistance of colleagues in the College of Public Affairs and Community Service and throughout the university, these challenges will be met.

#### CAUR ACTIVITIES

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Secretariat (5/1/82 to present)

CAUR will house the office of the executive secretary of ACJS up to five years under the terms of this contract. Patricia DeLancey started work May 24 in this capacity. An expenditure of \$80,000 is estimated for the first year.

#### Airport Parking Study (2/22/82 to 3/15/82)

A survey of Eppley Airport parking facility users was conducted in order to collect information on the duration and cost of parking. Data were also collected on parking revenue and passenger volume. Predicted parking revenue was then compared with reported revenue. The study was sponsored by WOW-TV. Murray Frost and Vincent Webb co-directed the project. (\$1,500) Analysis of Community Input for Joslyn Museum Long Range Planning (7/81 to 10/81)

Personal interviews were conducted with representatives of the various publics of the museum to determine their opinions of its strengths, weaknesses, and future direction.

Murray Frost was the principal investigator. Peggy Hein and Rebecca Fahrlander were interviewers and co-authors of the report. Funding was by Joslyn Museum. (\$500)

### The Application of a Screening Matrix for Industrial Development to Omaha, Nebraska (10/81)

The purpose of this research for the Market Strategy Committee of the Economic Development Council of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce was to identify manufacturing industries in the Omaha area, especially those that showed the greatest potential for industrial development.

Michael Eskey and Vincent Webb were principal investigators. Funding was by CAUR.

## Assessment of the Primary Health Care Needs of North Omaha and South Omaha (11/1/80 to 11/10/81 - extension)

This project assessed the needs for primary health care services in defined areas in North Omaha and South Omaha. An analysis of available health and health services utilization statistics was made. Interviews were conducted with major health care providers, key persons in the communities, and area residents.

The principal investigator was Genevieve Burch. Murray Frost completed the report after Dr. Burch's death. The Health Planning Council of the Midlands was the funding agency. (\$25,398) Businesswomen in Small Town Nebraska (11/81)

This report was based on data from a study conducted by Sharon Davis during March and April, 1980. Kathleen Sullivan gathered additional data, analyzed existing data, and contributed to writing the final report. Further analysis and writing of the final report were done by Rebecca Fahrlander. The original study investigated the nature of the aid received by women operating businesses in Nebraska towns of 1,000 to 5,000 population.

Title V - Nebraska Rural Development Council and the University of Nebraska at Omaha were the funding agencies. (\$10,692)

#### Census Data Analysis

CAUR developed the capacity to provide 1980 Census information to public and private clients. CAUR is an affiliate of the State Data Center sponsored by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. Complete data tapes for Nebraska and Iowa are being acquired. Data were provided to such clients as the cities of Omaha, Kearney, and Gordon, Nebraska; public agencies such as the Lutheran Medical Center, School District 66, and the Fremont Public Schools; and private users such as a radio station in Grand Island, Richmond Gordman Stores, and the Omaha World Herald.

Census information is provided on a cost recovery basis.

David DiMartino serves as project coordinator. Peg Hein, Tim

Himberger, and Michael Eskey assist on data access and pro
cessing.

### Characteristics of Proposed Goodwill Store Site at 60th and Ames in Omaha (12/81)

This study examined demographic characteristics of all census tracts falling partially or wholly within a two-mile radius of a proposed Goodwill Store site at 60th and Ames in Omaha.

David DiMartino was the principal investigator. Funding was by CAUR.

### Characteristics of Proposed Goodwill Industries Store Site in Council Bluffs (1/82)

This study examined demographic characteristics of all census

tracts falling partially or wholly within a two-mile radius of a proposed Goodwill Store site at 710 First Avenue in Council Bluffs.

Rebecca Fahrlander was the principal investigator. Funding was by CAUR.

#### Children from Alcoholic Homes (1/1/82 to present)

CAUR is developing an evaluation design to investigate the effectiveness of a pilot program for a treatment/prevention project on the influence of parental alcoholism on children's behavior.

Murray Frost is the principal investigator. The Nebraska Division on Alcohol and Drug Abuse is the funding agency. (\$14,000)

### Child Safety Restraints for Day Care Centers and Parent Education Program (11/1/80 to present)

Workshops have been or will be held in 11 locations in the state to educate day care center personnel in the use of child safety seats and seat belts. A loan system was developed to place these devices in use. A brochure, a poster, and a packet of materials were developed for day care centers to distribute to parents.

Carole Davis is now the project coordinator. Initially this role was filled by Jack Ruff. Funding is from the Nebraska Department of Public Welfare. (\$37,322)

### Compilation of Computerized Mailing Lists of Local Government Officials (9/81 to present)

This project involves the preparation of mailing lists of selected local government officials in Nebraska, surrounding

states, and three Canadian provinces.

Donald Norris is the project director. CAUR is the funding agency.

#### Control Data Corporation (1/82 to present)

Under this contract CAUR will prepare technical summaries of state-of-the-art and practices for Control Data Corporation's worldwide computerized Local Government Information Network (LOGIN) in the areas of computer technology, road and street maintenance, insurance and risk management, refuse collection, and housing and urban development.

Donald F. Norris is the principal investigator, assisted by Peter Young. (\$9,059)

#### Crime in Grand Island, Nebraska (7/81 to 3/82)

This study examined data on crime and the criminal justice system in Grand Island and Hall County. A telephone survey was made of Grand Island area residents' perceptions of crime, and crime trends were compared to other cities in the state.

Vincent Webb was principal investigator. Two graduate students, Deborah Caulfield and Kathleen Nicolini, and a staff member, Rebecca Fahrlander, worked on the project. Funding was by CAUR.

#### Data Processing and Local Government Workshops

A two-day seminar for non-data processing local government officials and administrators was held November 18 and 19, 1981 in Omaha. It was attended by 36 persons. Aimed at demonstrating how computer technology can improve the effectiveness of local government, the seminar included fundamentals of hardware, soft-

ware, programming languages, data processing modes and personnel, and methods of acquiring systems, among other topics.

Another seminar attended by 55 persons was held in March in Kearney as part of the Nebraska Municipal Clerks Institute.

Donald F. Norris was the project director. Sponsors included CAUR, the Division of Continuing Studies at UN-L, the Nebraska Division of Community Development, the Nebraska State School Boards Association, and the Nebraska Council for School Administrators. Tuition was charged to recover expenses.

### Data Processing Needs Assessment for the Division of Continuing Studies-UNL

CAUR will assist DCS to determine its electronic data processing needs and methods of meeting them.

Donald F. Norris is providing this assistance.

### Data Processing Needs and Feasibility Study for the City of Omaha (10/15/81 to present)

Extensive interviews and data collection within all departments of city government resulted in an in-depth analysis and recommendations regarding the city of Omaha's current data processing system and future data processing requirements.

Donald F. Norris is the project director. Funding is by the city of Omaha. (\$7,258)

### Data Processing Technical Assistance for the City of McCook (2/22/82 to present)

Technical assistance is being provided to the city of McCook to determine its data processing requirements and to assist in acquiring the necessary system or systems.

Donald F. Norris is the project director, assisted by David DiMartino. Funding is by the city of McCook. (\$4,000)

#### Department of Public Welfare Legal Training (to 10/31/81)

Existing legal training modules were incorporated into the total training package for child welfare workers, and new modules were developed.

Vincent J. Webb and Janet Porter were the principal investigators. The funding agency was the Nebraska Department of Public Welfare. (\$16,099)

The Economic Impact of UNO on the Omaha Metropolitan Area (11/81 to present)

This study is analyzing UNO budgetary data and economic models that relate student, faculty, and university characteristics to expenditures.

Murray Frost and Rebecca Fahrlander are the principal investigators. Funding is by the University of Nebraska at Omaha. (\$10,000)

#### Foster Parent Training Program (11/1/80 to 12/31/81)

CAUR continued to facilitate, monitor, and evaluate previously trained teams for delivery of both the basic twelve-module course and the six-module course on Fostering the Adolescent. Four modules from the Fostering the Adolescent curriculum were converted to self-instruction. Materials were developed on Fostering the Adolescent with Special Needs and a Specialized Foster Care System. Newsletters, a brochure, technical assistance, training, consultations, and an evaluation system were also provided.

Barbara Kendrick was the project coordinator, Carol Ertl the technical consultant, and Betty Luce adapted the materials for self-instruction. The Nebraska Department of Public Welfare was the funding agency. (\$236,003)

#### Foster Parent Training Program (4/19/82 to present)

Under the terms of this new contract CAUR will provide training to 900 foster parents in the six regions of Nebraska, recruit and train facilitators and co-facilitators, recruit foster parents and caseworkers to receive training, select foster parents as peer consultants or role models, provide a resource package, develop two inservice sessions to be aired on the Nebraska Telecommunications Network, and publish four issues of a newsletter.

Carole Davis is project director and Floyd Waterman is director of training. Funding is by the Nebraska Department of Public Welfare. (\$100,000)

#### Housing Fair (Urban Housing Foundation) (4/23-24/82)

CAUR provided assistance with planning and publicity for this event which was held at the Center for Urban Education facility on North 16th Street.

### The Impact of Alumni on the University of Nebraska at Omaha (8/81 to 4/82)

A telephone survey of 713 UNO alumni drawn from the graduates in 1950, 1960, 1970, 1975, and 1980 who lived in Nebraska provided data on the participation of alumni in various events, enrollment in courses, and utilization of campus facililties.

Rebecca S. Fahrlander was the project director. The UNO Alumni Association and CAUR were the funding agencies. (\$500)

### Impact of ETV Coverage of the Nebraska Supreme Court Survey (9/81 to 11/81)

This project assessed the impact of television coverage of supreme court proceedings on the court related knowledge and attitudes of the public. A before and after research design using a telephone survey to collect data was employed. Study results were provided to the Nebraska Educational Television Network. This project was cosponsored by CAUR and the Criminal Justice Department. Julie Horney and Vincent Webb were in charge of the project.

#### Kingswood Neighborhood Association Study (3/82)

A community needs and attitude survey was conducted and the results of the study presented at an all-neighborhood meeting that assisted the group in setting priorities and learning methods for a cooperative effort toward community problemsolving.

Joan Holley was the principal investigator. Funding was by CAUR.

#### Legal Aid Society (11/1/81 to 11/20/81)

A study design was developed and technical advice given as to methodology and preparation of a data collection instrument to assess the impacts on recipients of policy changes affecting the distribution of food stamps in selected areas of Omaha.

R. K. Piper and Carole Davis were the principal investigators. Funding was by CAUR.

#### Local Government Risk Management Handbook (8/81)

Final revisions and editorial assistance were provided by CAUR for this handbook on local government risk and insurance

management published at the University of Tennessee.

Donald F. Norris is the author with William Dotterweich and Robert Sinclair. Funding was by the National Science Foundation.

Metropolitan Arts Council Technical Advice and Data Tabulation (6/81 to 8/81)

Technical advice, preparation of a survey form, and data tabulation were provided for Adam Pinsker of Brooklyn, New York for a survey of audience opinion, current attendance, and marketing and promotion techniques for the Omaha Metropolitan Arts Council.

Vincent Webb was the principal investigator. The amount of the contract was \$2,900.

#### Nebraska Coalition for Consumer Education (3/29/82)

This planning workshop was held to further the organization of a statewide coalition for consumer education.

Wilda Stephenson was chairperson of the planning committee and workshop coordinator. Funding was by CAUR.

#### Neighborhood Historical Research Workshops (1/12/82 to present)

The goal of these workshops is to preserve Omaha history by training neighborhood leaders to conduct oral histories and utilize governmental and other publications to investigate the histories of their own communities. The first workshop was held April 17, 1982, and another will be held in the fall.

Joan Holley is the project director. Funding is by the Nebraska Committee for the Humanities and the Center for Applied Urban Research. Sponsors are CAUR and the Greater Omaha Neighborhood Coalition. (\$3,672)

#### Neighborhood Housing Services Survey (5/1/82 to present)

This survey of housing conditions and an environmental assessment for a 245 square block area in northeast Omaha will result in a physical property analysis of land parcels in the area from Lake Street to Ames and from 30th Street to Fontenelle Blvd. for the Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc. of Omaha.

Jack Ruff and R. K. Piper are the principal investigators. (\$4,000)

#### Neighborhood Resource Library

Peggy Hein, CAUR librarian, ordered and catalogued 234 community development and neighborhood publications to be utilized by both the staff of CAUR and local neighborhood organization leaders and others working in the area of community improvement.

Joan Holley was the project director. Funding was by CAUR.

Patterns and Prospects of Development in Downtown Kearney (6/81 to present)

The goals of this study were to assess development trends in downtown Kearney, to analyze the attitudes of businessmen and patrons toward the area, and to examine future directions for development.

David DiMartino was the principal investigator. Funding was by the city of Kearney. (\$7,499)

Population Changes in Omaha/Council Bluffs YMCA Branch Office

Areas (7/81)

Changes in population and racial and ethnic composition of six YMCA branch areas were examined and analyzed using 1970 and 1980 Census data.

Rebecca Fahrlander was the principal investigator. Funding was by CAUR.

#### Private Industry Council Forecasting Survey (2/17/81 to 9/1/81)

Areas of employment, particularly entry-level positions, were identified. The project created a data base for use in employment and training needs in Douglas and Sarpy Counties. This contract was awarded to implement the survey designed under a previous contract with the Private Industry Council.

Vincent Webb was project director, and Michael Eskey was principal investigator. The funding agencies were the Private Industry Council and the city of Omaha. (\$28,000)

#### Prospect Hill Neighborhood Study

Working with the Land Reutilization Authority, CAUR helped with the process of converting land from private to public ownership so that a mini-park could be built in this neighborhood. A community needs and attitude survey was conducted and two proposals were written, both of which were funded. One of these was to the Small Neighborhood Action Program (SNAP) of the Omaha Housing and Community Development Department for development of the mini-park, and the other was to the Nebraska Arts Council for a piece of sculpture to be placed in the park.

Joan Holley was the project director. Funding was by CAUR.

Public Management Seminars (9/2/81 to present)

Training manuals and facilitators' manuals were developed and seminars scheduled in four locations for Nebraska public administrators. Topics that have been or will be covered are planning, budgeting, personnel management, organizational development, and program evaluation. This project is being carried out in con-

junction with the UNO Department of Public Administration. A workshop was also held for administrators at the Beatrice State Development Center.

Floyd Waterman is the project director. The University of Nebraska Foundation is the funding agency. (\$20,000)

Rental Housing Practices in Omaha (1/82 to 3/82)

CAUR and the Goodrich Program cooperated in the research for this project to determine whether exclusionary policies existed in Omaha that would restrict rental housing choices of families with children. Tim Himberger was the author of an article in the Review of Applied Urban Research, January-March, 1982 that described the project and its findings. The article is titled, "Finding Rental Housing Difficult for Parents."

Resident Assessment of Public Housing Maintenance and Management
Needs and Problems (1/1/82 to 3/31/82)

A survey was conducted to determine the perceptions of residents in 11 elderly public high rise facilities and four family developments in regard to maintenance and management problems. This included construction of the survey instrument, printing, data tabulation, and preparation of the final report.

Joan Holley was the principal investigator. The Omaha Housing Authority was the funding agency. (\$995)

Resources for Neighborhood Groups Workshop (5/1/81 to 4/30/82 plus extension)

Approximately 65 neighborhood leaders attended a workshop where private and governmental organizations offering resources for community improvement shared ideas about available assistance. Other workshops are planned.

Joan Holley is the project director. The funding agencies are the federal ACTION program and the Greater Omaha Neighborhood Coalition. (\$2,500)

### A Review and Evaluation of Existing Plans for Southcentral Nebraska Rural Development Projects (7/1/81 to 2/28/82)

Economic, housing, and community facilities needs were examined in 13 counties in southcentral Nebraska to determine appropriate strategies for management or resolution of certain problems. Community leaders were interviewed, and a telephone survey was made of area residents to determine their attitudes toward public services, job opportunities, and economic characteristics of the region. Problems were ranked and strategy ideas developed.

Jack Ruff was the principal investigator. Funding was through a grant to the village of Hardy from the Old West Regional Commission. (\$18,917)

#### Southwest Iowa Regional Ridesharing Study (1/1/82 to present)

This study will determine the feasibility of and assist in planning for a ridesharing program in the eight county area of the Southwest Iowa Transit Agency (SWITA). Population and employment characteristics will be investigated.

R. K. Piper and Vincent Webb are the principal investigators. Funding is by the Southwest Iowa Regional Planning Council. (\$4,060)

### Training and Technical Assistance Program in Microcomputers and Local Government (6/1/82 to 6/1/84)

This education, training, and technical assistance program will be designed to help small and rural local governments in

Nebraska make more knowledgeable decisions concerning the purchase of microcomputers.

Donald F. Norris is project director. Funding is by the Kellogg Foundation. (\$75,000)

#### OUTSTATE ACTIVITIES

CAUR has continued to fulfill its mission to provide consultative services and training to the state of Nebraska. This year an eight-county region in southwest Iowa and the city of Council Bluffs are also sites of CAUR activity. Outstate or out-of-state projects include:

Businesswomen in Small Town Nebraska

Census data analysis for Kearney, Gordon, Fremont Public Schools, and a Grand Island radio station

Characteristics of Proposed Goodwill Industries Store Site in Council Bluffs

Child Safety Restraints for Day Care Centers and Parent Education Program

Crime in Grand Island, Nebraska

Data Processing and Local Government Workshops (seminar in Kearney as part of the Nebraska Municipal Clerks Institute)

Data Processing Needs for the Division of Continuing Studies UN-L

McCook Data Processing Technical Assistance

Nebraska Coalition for Consumer Education

Patterns and Prospects of Development in Downtown Kearney

Population Changes in Omaha/Council Bluffs YMCA Branch Offices

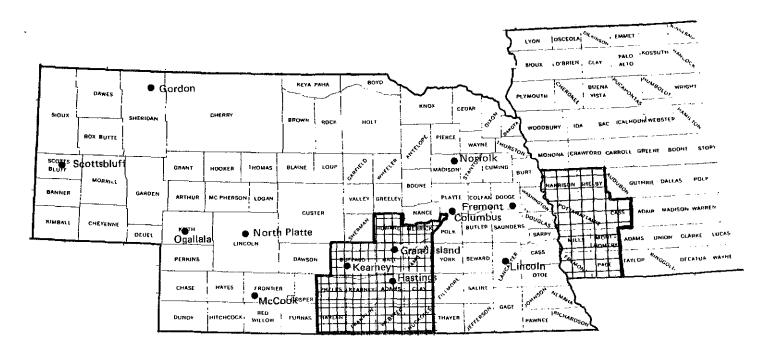
Public Management Seminars

Review and Evaluation of Existing Plans for Southcentral Nebraska Rural Development Projects

Southwest Iowa Regional Ridesharing Study

Training and Technical Assistance Program in Microcomputers for Small and Rural Local Governments in Nebraska

#### **CAUR** Outstate Activity



Counties in the Southcentral Nebraska Project

Counties in the Southwest Iowa Ridesharing Study

#### PUBLIC/COMMUNITY/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

This section contains the public, community, and university service activities not listed elsewhere as well as conferences attended or participated in by CAUR staff members.

#### Data and Documents Library

The CAUR Data and Documents Library is used by the staff, university students and personnel, and the public. During the past year 650 new publications were acquired and processed. The library is currently receiving 180 serial publications. The data base coordinator handled 256 requests for information from outside CAUR.

#### Conferences and Workshops

The following conferences, meetings, and workshops are among those in which CAUR staff participated by serving on committees, presenting papers, or attending to further their professional development:

Western Regional Planners Conference

District V Nebraska Planning and Zoning Association

Sister Cities International Conference

Nebraska Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) Conference

Commission on National Settlement Systems, International Geographical Union (biennial meeting)

Workshop in Global Education

Statewide Workshop on Downtown Retail Activities

Omaha Sister City Association

USDA National Extension Workshop

National League of Cities National Solid Waste Management Conference

Region VII American Society for Public Administration Annual Conference

Nebraska Neighborhood Workshop/Convention

International Community Development Society Annual Convention

Black Entrepreneurs Workshop (North Omaha Community Development)

Marketing Federation Seminar

Capitol Publications Program Evaluation Workshop

National Highway Institute Workshop on Estimating Highway User Costs

NIH Grantsmanship Workshop

Data Pro Workshop on Microcomputers

Nebraska Chapter Community Development Society

University Associates, Inc. Workshop on Facilitator Training and Styles

Economic Census Materials Workshop

Workshop on "Source," a computer data base system

Annual Conference of the Society of Ethnic and Special Studies

Consumer Education Resources Network (CERN) Training Workshop

Careers and Higher Education Minority Workshop (North High School)

Census Data Workshop (sponsored by University of Illinois)

First Annual Community Congress of IMPACT

Senior Citizens' Leadership Briefing

Consumer Services Organization Film Festival

Midwestern Association of Criminal Justice Educators Annual Meeting

American Society of Criminology
Illinois Association of Criminal Justice Education
Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
Nebraska Association of Regional Councils (state meeting)
Association of Teacher Educators National Conference
Invitational Conference on Teacher Education

Black Leadership Workshop

#### Community Service

Members of the CAUR staff contributed technical advice, assistance with workshops and programs, preparation of publications, and other services to the following community, state, and national groups or organizations:

Franklin Community Federal Credit Union Omaha Native American Center Consumer Services Organization Omaha Economic Development Council North Omaha Community Development Corporation Exploradories, Inc. Nebraska Coalition for Consumer Education Governor's Rural Development Task Force Nebraska Supreme Court Governor's State Housing Advisory Council Bemis Park Neighborhood Association Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Midwest Association of Criminal Justice Educators International Community Development Society Community Develoment Society (Nebraska Chapter) Omaha Public Schools Nebraska Commission on Aging Blue Cross-Blue Shield Greater Omaha Community Action City of Grand Island Urban Housing Foundation Improvement Means People Acting for Change Together (IMPACT) Kingswood Neighborhood Association Legal Aid Society Mary Our Queen Parish Nebraska Committee for the Humanities Omaha Housing Authority Prospect Hill Neighborhood Association Omaha/Council Bluffs YMCA Women's Chamber of Commerce

American Cancer Society United Way

MAPA

Omaha Economic Development Council

Boys Town

Calvin Cultural Learning Center, Inc.

Advisory Council on Synod-related Colleges of the Presbyterian Church

Consumer Education Resource Network

Nebraska Department of Economic Development

Neighborhood Housing Services

Keep Omaha Beautiful

Papillion Planning Commission

Papillion Recreation Organization

Nebraska Chapter of the National Association of Housing and Renewal Authorities

Nebraska Planning and Zoning Association

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Omaha World-Herald

Sun Newspapers

Metropolitan Utilities District

Omaha Jewish Federation

Nebraska Association of Community Arts Associations

Joslyn Art Museum

Richman-Gordman

KETV

WOW Radio

Anti-Defamation League

Bellevue College

National Association of Schools of Public Administration

Omaha League of Women Voters

Greater Omaha Neighborhood Coalition

Minority Purchasing Council, Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce

Nebraska State Data Center

Governing Board, Omaha Sister City Association

Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission

#### Service to the University and College

CAUR staff served the university through committee work and in a variety of other ways. Included in the staff's contributions were:

University Library Committee

CPACS Curriculum Committee

CPACS Advisory Committee

NASIS - UN-L

University Committee on Research

CPACS Personnel Committee

Faculty Senate

Chancellor's Commission on the Status of Women

Presentations on KVNO and KYNE-TV

Research Committee, College of Education

Social Work Program Review Team

Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects

Editorial services for CPACS Happenings

Graduate Committee, College of Education

Admissions Review Panel, College of Education

Goodrich Program - supervision of students, preparation of publications, follow-up study of students

Sister University Committee

#### CAUR PUBLICATIONS

CAUR has in-house capability for writing, editing, type-setting, layout, photography, and paste-up for a variety of publications.

A new promotional brochure describing CAUR capabilities for professional services was published this year. Marian Meier did the writing, design, and photography.

#### Review of Applied Urban Research

Eight issues were published during the fiscal year. The Review, which publishes articles condensed from longer research reports as well as census data and articles written especially for the publication, is distributed to about 2,200 persons throughout the state and nation.

#### Newsletters

Newsletters that have been produced during the past fiscal year include:

The Vanguard - International Community Development Society

ACJS Today - Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

The Network - Nebraska Chapter of the Community Development Society

CPACS Happenings - College of Public Affairs and Community
Service, UNO

Share - Foster Parent Training Program

Newsletter of the Nebraska Coalition for Consumer Education Studies and Reports

Assessment of the Primary Health Care Needs of North Omaha and South Omaha (Burch, Frost)

Businesswomen in Small Town Nebraska (Fahrlander, Davis, Sullivan)

A Case Study in the Development of Educational Training Programs (Waterman)

Characteristics of Proposed Goodwill Industries Store Site in Council Bluffs (Fahrlander)

Crime in Grand Island, Nebraska (Caulfield, Nicolini, Fahr-lander, Webb)

Data Processing and Information Management for the City of Omaha (Norris)

Data Processing Analysis and Recommendations for the City of McCook, Nebraska (Norris, DiMartino)

Entry Level Manpower Needs in the Omaha Metropolitan Area (Webb, Eskey)

The Impact of Alumni on the University of Nebraska at Omaha (Fahrlander)

Patterns and Prospects of Development in Downtown Kearney (DiMartino)

Report to Goodwill Industries on the Characteristics of the Proposed Store Site at 60th and Ames (DiMartino)

Rural Development Strategies for Southcentral Nebraska (Ruff)

A Study for the Kingswood Neighborhood Association: Community Needs, Problems, and Resident Recommendations for the Work of the Group (Holley)

You Were There (Administrative Planning Workshop, Beatrice State Development Center) (Waterman, Paraska)

#### Training Materials

Public Management Seminars: Administrative Planning (participants' and facilitator's manuals) (Waterman)

#### STAFF PUBLICATIONS

The following articles and books by staff members were published elsewhere than at CAUR during the fiscal year:

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#### PROPOSALS - PENDING OR UNFUNDED

A Reconceptualization of the Problem of Police Assaults

Economic Development Process in Omaha

An Economic Impact Analysis Study of Tourism and Conventions for the City of Omaha and Douglas County, Nebraska (withdrawn)

Data Processing Technical Assistance for the City of Ogallala

Technology Needs Assessment for the City of Lincoln

A Survey of Panhandle Area Development Needs

An Industrial Marketing Study for Sarpy County

Survey of Council Bluffs Area Residents Concerning Community Perceptions and Goals

Increasing the Effectiveness of Transit Boards of Directors: Research, Recommendations, and the Development of a Training Module (pending)

- A Proposal to Update the City of Papillion General Development Plan (pending)
- A Study of the Impacts on Agencies and Clients in the Social Service Sector Resulting from Federal Budget Reduction and Policy Changes (pending)

Changing Role of State Government in Developing Transportation Investment Policy

Public Opinion Polls for the Omaha World-Herald

Proposal for an Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) on Urban Education (pending)

Analysis of Personnel Management in the City of Omaha (pending)

Minority Engineering Project at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (pending)

Omaha Neighborhood Profiles Booklet

Informal Support Systems and the Elderly

Provision of Neighborhood Data to the Department of Housing and Community Development of the City of Omaha

Proposal to Conduct an Air Quality Public Opinion Survey for MAPA

Statewide Training Program for Day Care Providers

Statewide Industrial Development Marketing Study

Proposal to Subcontract Analysis of Data on People in Need of Alcoholism Counseling for NDADA

Housing Needs Analysis for the City of Waverly

Proposal to Assist Clay Center in Undertaking a Downtown Retail Improvement Program

Proposal to Update Adams County's Comprehensive Plan (pending)

Neighborhood Housing Forum: Innovative Project Proposal to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a Fair Housing Assistance Program (pending)

Discrimination in the Home Mortgage and Insurance Industries in Omaha (pending)

Survey of UNO Alumni Attitudes (pending)

#### STAFF UPDATE

During the past year, CAUR lost one of its staff members, Genevieve Burch, who died suddenly on September 5, 1981. A senior research associate, she had been with CAUR for five years.

Michael Eskey successfully defended his doctoral dissertation at Florida State University and will receive the degree in August.

Wilda Stephenson completed a practicum in Gerontology and received a Certificate in Gerontology.

Two staff members, Jason Chen and Paul Lee, resigned to take other positions. Edna Alexander retired. Fern Himberger transferred to the Dean's Office. Christine Klemas resigned. Four staff members who worked on the old Foster Parent Training Program contract, which expired December 31, 1981, are no longer on the CAUR staff. These persons are Barbara Kendrick, Carol Ertl, Betty Luce, and Janet Jensen. Roger Corbin worked at CAUR on a temporary basis as a community service associate.

New professional staff members at CAUR are Donald F. Norris, senior research associate; Wilda Stephenson, senior community service associate, Rebecca Fahrlander, research assistant; and R. K. Piper, research assistant. Patricia DeLancey is the new executive secretary for the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, and Michelle Schmitz has joined the staff as a word processing specialist.

A complete list of professional and support staff members and graduate and undergraduate students who are or have been at CAUR the past fiscal year follows:

#### CAUR STAFF

#### July 1, 1981 - June 30, 1982

#### Research and Service Staff

#### Edna Alexander Genevieve Burch Roger Corbin Carole Davis David DiMartino Carol Ertl Michael Eskey Rebecca S. Fahrlander Murray Frost Joan Holley Barbara Kendrick Paul Lee Daniel Martinez Donald F. Norris R.K. Piper Jack Ruff Wilda Stephenson Floyd Waterman Vincent Webb

#### Support Staff

Joyce Carson
Patricia DeLancey
Peggy Hein
Janet Jensen
Christine Klemas
Betty Mayhew
Marian Meier
Michelle Schmitz

#### **Graduate Assistants**

Deborah Caulfield Kathleen Nicolini Susan Paraska Lorene Schultz Peter Young

#### Student Workers

Carole Johnson
Eric Myers
Carolyn Stitt
Frank Flatowicz
Lawrence Bradley
Diane Prestito
Tim Himberger
Robert Meyerson

#### Student Interns

Emmanuel Nwabugwu Ben Ebong

#### Part-time Support Staff

Linda Favara Dianne Fick Helen Noyes

#### STUDENT UPDATE

Classroom teaching is not usually a part of the duties of CAUR staff, but supervision of graduate or undergraduate students working on projects, as interns, or as graduate assistants frequently is.

Two graduate assistants from Public Administration were assigned to assist with the Public Management Seminars and were supervised by a CAUR staff member.

A criminal justice graduate student did an independent study under the direction of a CAUR staff member.

A staff member is a Fellow in the Graduate College and, as such, is involved on several doctoral student committees.

Another staff member has worked on a course syllabus for Public Administration 805, helped to set up two-way interactive television instruction for this course, and supervised a graduate student working in this area. A local government performance appraisal handbook has been initiated by this staff member who is supervising the work of a graduate assistant in the development of this project and in research and other activities.

A staff member supervised a Public Administration graduate student working at CAUR, served on two master's theses defense committees, and was a guest lecturer in a Social Work graduate research seminar.

A staff member taught a seminar on criminal justice planning,

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