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## **Center for Applied Urban Research**

# ANNUAL REPORT 1983 - 1984



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#### INTRODUCTION

The Center for Applied Urban Research provided a variety of research, technical assistance, and training services during 1983-1984. Service was provided to clients from local and state governments and to non-profit organizations as well as private industry. Communities across Nebraska were the recipients of These included Omaha, Lincoln, Grand Island, CAUR assistance. Nebraska City, Wayne, Gothenburg, and Scottsbluff. State agencies served included theNebraska Crime Commission, the Department of Social Services, and the Equal Opportunity Non-profit organizations included the Legal Aid Commission. Society, the Urban League, the Omaha Hospice Organization, the Community Housing Resources Board, and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation.

Some of the major CAUR projects include:

- . A housing survey for the city of Lincoln. This survey will provide an assessment of conditions of the nearly 65,000 houses in that city.
- . An assessment of the state of Black Omaha for the Urban League of Nebraska. This study examined a variety of conditions in the Black community including education, employment, political participation, housing, health, and the administration of justice.
- . A project providing training for Nebraska's foster parents. Training was provided to 500 parents and caseworkers through 54 workshops at 41 different locations.

- . A study of bus ridership for Omaha's Metro Area Transit. This study analyzed the reasons for a decline in ridership. Nearly 1,000 riders and former riders were surveyed in order to provide systematic data to MAT planners.
- An investigation to determine strategies for removing juveniles from Nebraska's adult jails and lock-ups for the Nebraska Crime Commission. This study consists of the analysis of data from the jail reporting system as well as a series of surveys of criminal justice officials.

The Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences continued to be housed at CAUR. In addition to providing membership and publishing services, CAUR also planned the ACJS Annual Meeting that was held in Chicago.

CAUR implemented the Omaha-Manila Applied Projects Program, a part of UNO's exchange with the University of the City of Manila in the Philippines. CAUR is collaborating with UCM's Office of Research and Institutional Studies on an exchange of research in the areas of primary health care and city organization.

CAUR staff continued to serve on a variety of college and university level committees. The staff were also active in professional associations at the state, regional, and national levels.

During the coming year CAUR will continue to serve the organizations described throughout this report. CAUR hopes to expand its clientele and to strengthen its ability to carry out the mission of research, technical assistance, training, and community service.

### CAUR ACTIVITIES

### Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

The contract to house the national secretariat of ACJS was renewed for another year. Patricia DeLancey continues as executive secretary, and CAUR provides support staff. Approximately \$100,000 is the annual budget for this office.

### Analysis of Economic and Activity Data Reported by Nebraska Non-profit Arts Organizations, 1983 (2/1/83 to 1/27/84)

Responses by 125 state-wide arts organizations to a survey seeking information about their facilities, programs and attendance, personnel, finances, and sources of revenue were tabulated and analyzed.

Murray Frost was the principal investigator. Funding was by the Nebraska Arts Council. (\$1,200)

### <u>Automated Word Processing Requirements for the City of Omaha</u> (4/1/84 to 7/31/84)

This study involved the collection and analysis of information regarding the amount and kind of typing activities in each city department in the civic center. The purpose was to determine whether automated word processing would be feasible and practical and, if so, how many work stations and printers would be needed.

Donald F. Norris was the principal investigator. Funding was by the city of Omaha. (\$7,450) Bus Ridership: An Analysis of a Survey in the Omaha Metropolitan Area (9/22/83 to 12/31/83)

This study was designed to help Metro Area Transit develop a strategy to halt and reverse reduced bus ridership. A survey of the general public was made in Douglas, Sarpy, and Pottawattamie Counties. Riders and former riders were surveyed to help MAT reach its goals of improved service and increased ridership. Conclusions were drawn and recommendations made based on the results of the survey.

Murray Frost was the principal investigator. Funding was by Metro Area Transit. (\$8,912)

### Census Data Products

Technical assistance and data analysis have been provided to approximately 85 clients and to CAUR staff.

### Community Housing Resource Board (2/1/84 to 12/31/84)

CAUR will undertake research on local fair and equal opportunity housing issues as selected by CHRB. This information will serve as the basis for the production of a half-hour video production to be aired locally on commercial and/or public television.

R.K. Piper is the principal investigator with Donald Norris and Vincent Webb. Funding is by CHRB. (\$22,900)

## Data Processing Analysis and Recommendations for the City of Gothenburg and Dawson County, Nebraska (11/7/83 to 8/7/84)

This report presented an analysis with recommendations regarding the data processing needs of the city of Gothenburg.

Technical assistance was given in the preparation of an RFP, a proposed contract, and the evaluation of proposals received as a result.

Donald F. Norris and Rebecca Fahrlander were principal investigators. Funding was by the city of Gothenburg and Dawson County. (\$11,905)

### Data Processing Analysis and Recommendations for the City of Nebraska City (4/1/84 to 3/31/85)

This report presented an analysis with recommendations regarding the data processing needs of the city of Nebraska City. It provided city officials with information on the current status of data processing needs.

Donald F. Norris was the principal investigator. Funding was by the city of Nebraska City. (\$5,000)

## Data Processing Analysis and Recommendations for the City of Seward, Nebraska (7/6/83 to 6/1/84)

This report gave an analysis with recommendations regarding data processing needs of the city of Seward. Information on the current status of data processing was provided as well as the city's information management data processing needs. Technical assistance was given in preparing a request for porposal, and evaluations were made of the proposals received.

Donald F. Norris was the principal investigator. Funding was by the city of Seward. (\$3,500)

## Data Processing Analysis and Recommendations for the City of Wayne, Nebraska (10/1/83 to 6/30/84)

Recommendations regarding data processing needs were made and

technical assistance given in preparing a request for proposal. Evaluations were made of proposals received.

David R. DiMartino and Rebecca Fahrlander were principal investigators. Funding was by the city of Wayne. (\$3,500)

## Data Processing Analysis and Recommendations for Hall County, Nebraska (10/83 to 6/84)

This report presented an analysis and recommendations regarding the data processing needs of Hall County, reviewing the current state of data processing, surveying the county's information management data processing needs, and presenting a recommended configuration and cost for a computer system to meet those needs.

Principal investigators were David R. DiMartino and Rebecca Fahrlander. Funding was by Hall County. (\$1,789)

### Data Processing Analysis and Recommendation for the Papio Natural Resources District (10/83 to present)

This report provided the Papio N.R.D. with information on the current status of data processing and its information management data processing needs. The applicability of computer technology, the probable configuration and cost of a computer system, and recommendations for the future were discussed.

David R. DiMartino was the principal investigator. Funding was by the Papio N.R.D. (\$5,750)

## Data Processing Technical Assistance for the City of La Vista, Nebraska (6/84 to 8/84)

An analysis and recommendations concerning the data pro-

cessing needs of the city of La Vista are being prepared. The current state of data processing, the city's information management data processing needs are being determined, and a recommended configuration and cost for a computer system will be determined.

The principal investigators are Vincent Webb and Donald R. Norris. Funding is by the city of LaVista. (\$1,500)

## Data Processing Technical Assistance for the City of Scottsbluff, Nebraska (7/15/83 to 1/15/84)

An analysis and recommendations were made for Scottsbluff's data processing needs, an RFP was prepared, and an evaluation of responses made. CAUR is also assisting in the negotiation of a contract for an electronic data processing system.

Donald F. Norris was the principal investigator. Funding was by the city of Scottsbluff. (\$6,633)

## Enrollment Potential for St. James Church School During the 1980's (2/84 to 6/84)

This analysis was designed to estimate the trend in St. James School enrollments by analyzing the actual and estimated population of elementary school children from 1980 through 1989.

David R. DiMartino was principal investigator. Funding was by St. James School and CAUR.

### Foster Parent Training Project (6/21/83 to 6/21/84)

CAUR provided training to over 500 foster parents and caseworkers in 54 workshops held throughout the state, made onsite evaluations, and assisted in the recruitment of foster

parents. Both the basic and adolescent curricula were offered. In addition to the previous nine, seven new trainers were hired and trained in a three-day workshop. Four newsletters were published, and the Fostering the Adolescent curriculum was revised.

Carole Davis was project coordinator. Funding was by the Nebraska Department of Social Services. (\$81,905)

## Housing Survey for the Urban Development Department of the City of Lincoln (12/30/83 to 8/31/84)

This project is providing technical and professional assistance in a survey of housing, vacant land, and neighborhood conditions for every parcel of land in the city of Lincoln.

R.K. Piper is principal investigator with Donald F. Norris. Funding is by the City of Lincoln. (\$44,616)

## <u>Inventory of Vacant Parcels of Land in South Omaha</u> (9/1/83 to 10/31/84)

This inventory is being done for Catholics, Presbyterians, and Lutherans, Inc. (CPL, Inc.)

R.K. Piper was the principal investigator. Funding is by CAUR.

### Juveniles in Jails for Adults (1/84 to 12/31/84)

This project involves identification of the numbers and characteristics of juveniles confined in jails for adults in Nebraska, a survey of criminal justice officials in order to determine current operating procedures in confinement jurisdictions, an inventory of alternative detention facilities, and a

demographic analysis of each judicial district. Recommendations will be made concerning programs that can serve as alternatives to confinement for juveniles. A literature review is also being conducted.

Vincent Webb is the principal investigator, assisted by Rebecca Fahrlander and Carole Davis. Funding is by the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice. (\$9,848)

## Legal Aid Clients with General Assistance Problems: A Study of Housing Conditions (10/1/83 to 1/15/84)

An assessment was made of the housing conditions of Douglas County Social Service clients with general assistance problems who had applied for legal aid in order to determine what proportion of these clients were living in housing that was below minimum health and decency standards.

R.K. Piper was the principal investigator, assisted by Robert Meyerson and Chris Wayne. Funding was by CAUR.

## Local Initiatives Support Corporation of New York City (3/1/84 to 2/21/85)

This project is for the purpose of assisting community organizations in Omaha to identify properties for rehabilitation or sites on which to construct new housing and to prepare other types of housing analyses such as financial projections, market analyses, and the packaging of development financing.

Jack Ruff is the principal investigator. Funding is by LISC. (\$4,500)

## Marketing Potential for Automated Data Processing Services in Southeast Nebraska (12/12/83 to 2/1/84)

Conducted for the City of Lincoln Data Processing Department, this study undertook an analysis of computing among local governmental agencies in southeastern Nebraska. Telephone interviews were made with 219 agencies to determine whether a market potential existed for the services of the data processing department.

David R. DiMartino and Donald F. Norris were the principal investigators. Funding was by the city of Lincoln. (\$7,017)

## Municipal Revenue Sources: Analyses of Omaha's Options (10/1/82 to 7/83)

This study examined and evaluated revenue sources that could serve as supplements or alternatives to Omaha's current revenue structure. The initial report compared Omaha's revenue structure to other cities based on data reported in the Bureau of the Census publication, <u>City Government Finances in 1980-81</u>. A second report evaluated revenue sources in the 50 cities closest in population size to Omaha and provided examples used by comparable cities. The third report analyzed questions regarding estimates of potential revenue if various sources were to be adopted and who would pay a particular tax.

Murray Frost was the principal investigator. Funding was by the city of Omaha. (\$7,450)

### Nebraska Coalition for Consumer Education (1/81 to present)

A series of half-hour TV programs was developed in cooperation with the College of Continuing Studies. Brochures were developed to promote membership in the organization.

Wilda Stephenson is project coordinator.

## <u>Needs Assessment Survey of the Omaha Black Community</u> (10/13/83 to 2/84)

The purpose of this survey was to obtain input from citizens and leaders in the Black community regarding its needs in housing, education, recreation, public services, administration of justice, and employment. The three major needs were also identified.

Rebecca Fahrlander was the principal investigator. Funding was by the Urban League. (\$2,637)

<u>Neighborhood and Community Histories</u> (Neighborhood Historical Research Project) (1/12/82 to 10/83)

A 28-page illustrated booklet was produced for neighborhoods to use in writing their own histories.

R.K. Piper was project director. Funding was by the Nebraska Commission for the Humanities and CAUR. (\$2,433)

## <u>New High-Value Housing in Douglas County: An Analysis</u> (1/8 to 4/84)

The purpose of this study for the Maenner Company was to determine the current supply of lots and platting trends, to characterize the occupants of new higher value housing through the use of census data, and to estimate growth and locational preference of managerial personnel. The latter purpose was carried out through a survey of large employers. Principal investigators were David R. DiMartino, Jack Ruff, Murray Frost, and Vincent Webb. Funding was by the Maenner Company. (\$2,300)

### <u>Procedures for Investigating Mortgage Lending and Residential</u> Insurance Practices in Omaha (Redlining) (3/1/83 to 1/31/84)

Three reports were produced as a result of this study: Residential Investment and Insurance Practices, Homeowner Insurance Availability and Cost, and An Analysis of Mortgage Lending Patterns in Omaha. The first reviewed the literature, gave demographic profiles of Omaha's areas, made a comparison of real estate transfers in three of these areas, and surveyed insurance industry views. The second report was written by Peggy Coffin with Jack Ruff and examined whether dwellers in different locations received the treatment same when shopping for A controlled experiment was conducted by several insurance. interviewers who contacted insurance companies by telephone to shop for insurance. The third report analyzed home mortgage disclosure data from 21 Omaha lenders for a seven-year period from 1976 to 1982. Computer generated maps showed the activity by census tract for each lender.

Jack Ruff was the principal investigator. Funding was by the Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission. (\$24,986)

### The State of Black Omaha, 1984 (2/17/84 to 6/30/84)

This study analyzed data from a number of existing sources to provide a picture of the status of Blacks in Omaha in 1984. Data were gathered in the areas of population characteristics, employment, education, housing, economic development, health, political participation, and administration of justice.

Rebecca Fahrlander was project coordinator, and the CAUR staff wrote the report. Funding was by the Urban League. (\$4,500)

## <u>A Study of the Knowledge and Use of Hospice by Health Care</u> Professionals in Omaha (8/83)

The primary objective of this study was to conduct a needs assessment for the Omaha Hospice Organization to determine the knowledge and/or use of hospice concepts and programs by health care professionals. In order to produce information necessary for hospice planning and coordination, surveys were conducted of physicians, (particularly oncologists and internists), nurses, hospital and nursing home administrators, and social workers.

Carole Davis was project director. She was assisted by Wilda Stephenson and Deborah Caulfield. Funding was by Omaha Hospice and CAUR. (\$6,663)

## <u>Survey of Corporate Government Affairs Departments</u> (2/24/84 to 5/31/84)

Information was obtained on the role of corporate government affairs departments in 22 corporations both within and outside of the field of energy from all regions of the United States.

The principal investigator was Rebecca Fahrlander. Funding was by InterNorth. (\$5,500)

A Survey of Public Officials on Energy Issues (6/7/83 to 9/30/83)

This survey collected information from public officials to learn their views on energy issues, their awareness of InterNorth, and their assessment of the effectiveness of InterNorth's lobbyists.

The principal investigator was Rebecca Fahrlander. Funding was by InterNorth. (\$5,000)

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

Major activities in this two-year project included a survey of data processing uses in small local governments in seven plains and mountain states, three demonstration projects, (Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools, the city of Scottsbluff, and Butler County) in microcomputer acquisition and use in small local governments, and development of training and technical assistance materials for use in workshops. Both participants' and trainers' handbooks for use in workshops have been published in notebook form.

Donald F. Norris was the principal investigator, and David R. DiMartino was co-investigator. Funding was by the Kellogg Foundation. (\$72,000)

## University of Nebraska at Omaha/University of the City of Manila Applied Projects (Fall, 1983 to Spring, 1986)

This project is designed to address the expressed need of the University of the City of Manila for linkages that foster work in

the field of public administration, particularly in the Manila metropolitan area. The principal focus is applied, problemoriented research. The knowledge and skills of exchange faculty are applied to problem solving in the host community.

Vince Webb and Roberto Lazaro are project directors. Funding is by the U.S. International Communications Agency. (\$25,000)

### OUTSTATE AND OUT OF STATE ACTIVITIES

CAUR has continued to fulfill its mission to provide consulting services and training to communities and to groups in the state of Nebraska as well as to some groups outside of the state. These include:

Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences

- American Society for Public Administration Section on Science and Technology in Government
- Census Data provided to such clients as KETV, Council Bluffs Planning Department, ABC Broadcasting Company (New York), Bellevue, U.S. Internal Revenue Service, MSI Research (Los Angeles), Governor's Panhandle Task Force (Nebraska), Gateway Realtors (Lincoln), Union Pacific, and Jepsen Marketing (Cleveland, OH).
- City of Lincoln Data Processing Department

City of Lincoln Urban Development Department

Data Processing Technical Assistance - provided to such clients as Scottsbluff, Butler County, Dawson County, Gothenburg, Hall County, Seward, Wayne, Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools, Papio Natural Resources District, Nebraska City, La Vista, and Gordon.

Local Initiatives Support Corporation of New York City

Nebraska Coalition for Consumer Education

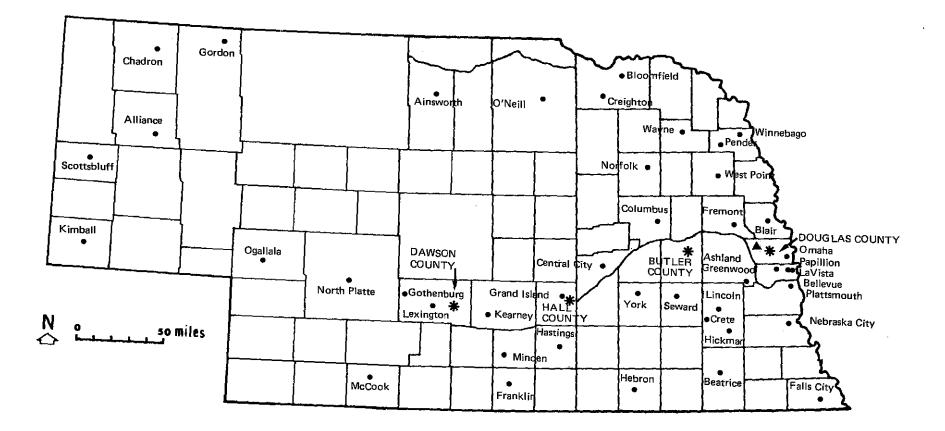
Nebraska Department of Corrections,

Juvenile Parole Division

Nebraska State Housing Advisory Council

North Dakota Human Services Division

### NEBRASKA LOCALITIES SERVED BY CAUR 1983-84



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#### PUBLIC/COMMUNITY/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

This section contains the public, community, and the university service activities of CAUR, and the major meetings and conferences attended or participated in by staff members.

#### Data and Documents Library

The CAUR data and documents library is used by the public, university students and staff, and the CAUR staff. During the past fiscal year 175 new publications were acquired and processed. The library currently receives 156 serial publications. Tim Himberger, data base coordinator, handled 1,047 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 in order to further their professional development:

1984 American Society for Public Administration Conference American Society for Public Administration Conference, Region VII Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences Alpha Kappa Alpha Founders Day American Planning Association American Society of Criminology Association of American Geographers (national) Association of American Geographers (regional) Bellevue College Career Workshop Census Workshop, Metropolitan Area Planning Agency Child Advocacy Council Community Housing Resource Board - Topeka, KS (regional) Community Housing Resource Board - Washington, DC (national) Consumer Co-op Movement Workshop Developmental Disabilities Meeting Governor's Economic Development Conference Housing and Urban Development 202 Workshop Jobs for Nebraska's Future Conference

Microcomputers and Local Government Workshops - Omaha and North Platte National League of Cities 1983 Annual Conference Nebraska Chapter, American Planning Association Nebraska Community Improvement Program Nebraska Fall Social Work Conference Nebraska League of Cities Annual Conference Nebraska Planners Meeting Omaha Public Schools, Multicultural Staff Development Meeting State Health Coordination Council State Housing Advisory Committee Urban Affairs Association Conference

### Community Service

Members of the CAUR staff contributed technical advice, assistance with workshops and programs, preparation of publications, and other services to the following local community

organizations.

Audubon Society Bergan Mercy Hospital Boy Scouts of America Chicano Awareness Center Child Advocacy Council City of Omaha Community Development Committee Community Housing Resource Board Community Services Organization Cornhusker Motor Club Creighton Prep Douglas County General Assistance Committee Edmonson Youth Development, Inc. Flanagan High School, External Evaluation Team Franklin Community Federal Credit Union Great Plains Black Museum Greater Omaha Friendship Force Club Housing and Urban Development IMPACT KETV Legal Aid Society of Omaha Market Data Resources Methodist Hospital Metro Area Transit Metropolitan Area Planning Agency Metropolitan Utilities District Metropolitan YMCA-Planning Task Force Neighborhood Associations National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, Nebraska Chapter

N.P. Dodge Company North Omaha Community Development Omaha Area Food Bank Omaha Chamber of Commerce Education Task Force Minority Purchasing Council North Omaha Chapter Omaha Community Playhouse Omaha Economic Development Corporation Omaha Hospice Organization Omaha Housing Authority Omaha Jewish Federation Omaha PTA Council Omaha/Shizuoka Sister City Organization Omaha World-Herald Presbyterian Metro Ministers St. James Parish St. Joseph Hospital South Omaha Alcoholism Center Survival Coalition Urban Housing Foundation Urban League Wesley House West Omaha Rotary Club

#### Service to the University and CPACS

CAUR served the university through committee work and in a variety of other ways. Contributions by CAUR staff included:

Black Studies CJ research course CPACS Dean's Advisory Committee CPACS Honors Colloquium CPACS Personnel Committee CPACS Working Conference w/Robert Theobold Criminal Justice Department Dean's Office Diamond Jubilee Co-op Project Diamond Jubilee Goodrich Project Faculty Senate Gerontology Goodrich KVNO P.A. graduate class on evaluation research Public Administration School of Social Work Shizuoka Scholarship Committee UN Medical Center UNO Committee on Computer Usage UNO Planning Committee UNO Research Award Committee

CAUR has in-house capability for writing, editing, typesetting, layout, paste-up, and photography for a variety of reports, newsletters, brochures, flyers, and other publications. The office handled 160 printing jobs last year.

<u>Review of Applied Urban Research</u> - Seven issues were published during the fiscal year. The <u>Review</u> publishes articles condensed from longer research reports as well as census data and articles written especially for the publication. It is distributed free to about 2,200 persons throughout the state and nation.

#### Newsletters

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

- <u>ACJS Today</u> national newsletter of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
- <u>Share</u> newsletter of the Foster Parent Training Program, distributed statewide
- <u>News Notes</u> newsletter of the midwest Criminal Justice Association

The Chair's Newsletter - Department of Public Administration

<u>SSTIG Update</u> - Section on Science and Technology in Government of the American Society for Public Administration

<u>Friendship Force News</u> - newsletter of the Greater Omaha Friendship Force Club Studies and Reports

<u>Analysis of Economic and Activity Data Reported by Nebraska</u> <u>Non-Profit Arts Organizations, 1983</u> (Frost)

An Analysis of Mortgage Lending Patterns in Omaha (Ruff)

- <u>Automated Word Processing Requirements for the City of Omaha</u> (Norris)
- Bus Ridership: Analysis of a Survey in the Omaha Metro Area (Frost)
- CAUR Annual Report 1982-83
- Enrollment Potential for St. James Church School During the 1980's (DiMartino)
- Homeowner Insurance Availability and Cost in Omaha (Coffin, Ruff)
- Knowledge and Use of Hospice by Health Care Professionals (Davis, Stephenson)
- Legal Aid Clients with General Assistance Problems: A Study of Housing Conditions (Piper, Meyerson, Wayne)
- <u>Marketing Potential for Automated Data Processing Services in</u> <u>Southeast Nebraska</u> (DiMartino and Norris)
- <u>Microcomputers and Local Government: A Handbook</u> (Participants and Trainers Manuals) (Norris)

Needs Assessment Survey of the Omaha Black Community (Staff)

<u>New High Value Housing in Douglas County: An Analysis</u> (DiMartino, Frost, Rúff)

Residential Investment and Insurance Practices (Ruff)

The State of Black Omaha

Survey of Corporate Government Affairs Departments (Fahrlander)

A Survey of Public Officials on Energy Issues (Fahrlander)

The following publications and papers by staff members were published or presented elsewhere than at CAUR during the fiscal year:

- DiMartino, David R. "United States Settlement Systems," Chapter in <u>Urbanization and Settlement Systems: International</u> Perspectives (with Richard L. Morrill and Robert Sinclair). Oxford, England: Oxford University Press (February, 1984).
- Frost, Murray. "Analysis of a Jewish Community's Out-Migration." Jewish Social Studies, XLIV: 3-4 (Summer-Fall, 1982).
- Paper presented to Urban Affairs Association, Portland, OR (April, 1984).
- Norris, Donald F., and UNO Television Services. "The Personal Touch: Microcomputers and Local Government." (16 mm color film and videotape on microcomputers and their uses in local governments) (1984).
  - . "Computing in Small Local Governments in Nebraska," Paper presented at the 1984 Annual Conference of the American Society for Public Administration. Denver, CO, (April, 1984).

Uses," "Computers and Small Local Governments: Users and 1984). (This article was based on a paper presented at the 1983 Region VII American Society for Public Administration Meeting in Oklahoma City, OK, October, 1983).

\_\_\_\_\_. "Microcomputer Use in Local Government." Government Software Exchange (January, 1984).

, and Vincent J. Webb. "Baseline Data Report: Microcomputers." Washington: International City Management Association (July, 1983). (Reprinted in <u>The Municipal</u> <u>Yearbook</u>, Washington, D.C.: International City Management Association, 1984.)

- Piper, R.K. Signs of Revitalization Adjacent to the Central Business District (multi-media slide show focusing on development and redevelopment near downtown Omaha) (1984).
- Webb, Vincent J., et al. "Patterns of Entry, Professional Identity, and Attitudes Toward Crime-Related Eduction: A Study of Criminal Justice and Criminology Faculty," <u>Journal</u> of Criminal Justice 12:1 (1984).

(with Ward). <u>Quest for Quality</u>. New York: University Publications. (1984).

### PROPOSALS

- Achieving Equal Employment Opportunity: The Case of the Police (unfunded)
- Adoption, Use, and Effects of Microcomputers in Small Police Departments (National Institute of Justice) (pending)
- Analysis of Training Needs of Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators (with Kirkham, Michael and Assoc.) (unfunded)
- Attendance Survey for the Omaha Royals Baseball Club (unfunded)
- City of Omaha Charter Revision (unfunded)
- Council Blufffs Senior Citizens Center to determine program offerings (pending)
- Development of a Priority System for Converting Housing Projects (unfunded)
- Diffusion of Microcomputer Technology Among Planners in Urban Government: A Test of Two Models (NSF) (unfunded)
- EDP Study for Nemaha County (pending)
- The Effects of Office Automation on Social and Psychological Aspects of Work (NSF) (unfunded)
- Employer Supported Child Care (pending)
- Food Co-op Proposal (pending)
- Hunt Transportation to investigate causes for turnover (unfunded)
- Impact of Zoning and Building Codes on the Development of Alternative Housing for the Elderly (pending)
- La Vista Comprehensive Plan update (unfunded)
- Lincoln County Computer Requirements (unfunded)
- Market Potential for Site Development (Smith, Kaplan, Allen & Reynolds) (unfunded)
- Metro Tech Study of Employment and Training Needs (unfunded)
- Minority Employment in American Corrections (unfunded)
- Minority Student Outreach (unfunded)
- Mutual of Omaha for Marketing Effort (unfunded)

Nebraska City Downtown Revitalization Plans (unfunded)

Office Location Decisions: Perceptions of Renters and Brokers (unfunded)

Police Policy and Homeless People (pending)

Proposal for an SID Research Conference (pending)

Resource Inventory and Operations Study for Adult Rehabilitation Workshops in Nebraska (unfunded)

Risk and Insurance Management Workshops (unfunded)

- Study of Incineration Adoption in Local Government (to UCR) (unfunded)
- A Study to Assist United Way in Developing a Marketing Strategy (unfunded)

Survey of Potential CBD Residents (for Maenner Co.) (unfunded)

- Survey of Potential CBD Residents (for the Schneider group) (pending)
- Survey of State Legislators on Legislative Issues and Concerns (to UCR) (unfunded)

TV News Survey for Channel 7 (unfunded)

TV News Survey for Channel 6 (unfunded)

W.K. Kellogg Foundation to provide training in microcomputer acquisition for local government officials, to disseminate materials related to same, and to study uses of micros in small local governments (pending)

#### STAFF UPDATE

Floyd Waterman was on faculty development leave in Japan during the fiscal year. Donald Norris served as acting director for two months while Vincent Webb was in the Philippines in connection with the Omaha-Manila Applied Projects Program. Michelle Schmitz resigned, and Loni Saunders was hired to fill her position. Jean Patterson and Debbie Caulfield also resigned. Roberto Lazaro from the University of the City of Manila was in residence at CAUR beginning June 1, 1984.

A list of persons on the CAUR staff from July 1, 1983 to June 30, 1984 follows:

### Research and Service

Carole Davis David DiMartino Rebecca Fahrlander Murray Frost Donald Norris R.K. Piper Jack Ruff Wilda Stephenson Floyd Waterman Vincent Webb Roberto Lazaro

#### Support

Joyce Carson Debbie Caulfield Patricia DeLancey Tim Himberger Betty Mayhew Marian Meier Loni Saunders

### Part-time Support

Lois Brown June Floyd

### Students

Jim Anderson Joe Baines Kevin Bartels Rosemary Bradley Peggy Coffin Todd Coppersmith Jeff Cross Karla Dorsey David Fifer Bob Hober Carole Johnson Theresa LaHood Gary Lukowski Gemma Marolda Bob Meyerson Walter Noordam Clay Schutz Pelgy Vaz Bill Vondra Denita Walker Chris Wayne Tammy Wiles Peter Young