

# About the Editors

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## GENERAL EDITOR

**David Levinson, Ph.D.**, is a cultural anthropologist and president of the Berkshire Publishing Group. Prior to founding BPG in 1996 with Karen Christensen, he was at the Human Relations Area Files at Yale University. He has a B.A. in psychology (Montclair State University), an M.P.A. (Wagner School, New York University), and a Ph.D. in anthropology (SUNY/Buffalo). He conducted ethnographic research on the Bowery and in Newark, New Jersey, in 1971–1972 and 1984 and a survey of homelessness in U.S. cities in 1972. The results of this research were published in *Urban Anthropology* and the *International Journal of Social Psychiatry* and reported elsewhere. Other research has been on family relationships, the treatment of alcoholism, ethnic relations, and social theory. He is the author of *Family Violence in Cross-Cultural Perspective* (Sage 1989) and *Religion: A Cross-Cultural Dictionary* (1995) and the editor or coeditor of several major multi-volume academic encyclopedias, including the *Encyclopedia of Marriage and Family* (1995), *Encyclopedia of Crime and Punishment* (Sage 2002), and the *Encyclopedia of Community* (Sage 2003). His books and reference works have won numerous awards including *Choice* best academic and best reference, *Booklist* editor's choice, *Library Journal* best reference, and RUSA best reference.

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**Susan Barrow, Ph.D.**, is an anthropologist who works as a research scientist at the New York State Psychi-

atric Institute. She received her doctorate from Brandeis University and has spent the last twenty-five years researching the circumstances of homelessness in the urban United States. Her studies have combined survey techniques and other quantitative methods with ethnographic approaches to documenting both the experiences of people who are homeless and the shelters, outreach, social service, and mental health programs that they encounter. Her first research on homelessness focused on street outreach programs and other emerging models of service delivery developed in response to the homelessness crisis in New York City. Since then, she has conducted studies in shelters for unaccompanied men and women, drop-in centers, transitional housing sites, and an array of supported and supportive housing programs for formerly homeless adults in New York and several other U.S. cities. Her current work focuses on kin networks and parent-child separations in homeless families.

**Ellen Bassuk, M.D.**, is cofounder and president of the National Center on Family Homelessness, a nonprofit organization that conducts research, policy analysis, program development and support, and public education on issues pertaining to homelessness and extreme poverty, and related social services. She received her degree in medicine from the Tufts Medical School. Her research interests and writings focus on the risks of family homelessness; the impact of homelessness on the mental and physical health of women and their children; the relationship among mental illness, substance abuse, family violence, and social support in poor families; and the impact of welfare reform on

low-income families. She served as director of Psychiatric Emergency Services at the Beth Israel Hospital, is a board-certified psychiatrist, and holds an academic appointment as Associate Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. She has received many research grants, has served on national and regional health policy committees, and has held numerous consultancies. She is the former editor of the *American Journal of Orthopsychiatry*. She has received numerous awards and honors in recognition of her work, including the Outstanding Psychiatric Award from the Massachusetts Psychiatric Society, the Sanctity of Life Award from Brandeis University, and an honorary degree, Doctor of Public Service, from Northeastern University.

**Jim Baumohl, Ph.D.**, is Professor of Social Work and Social Research at Bryn Mawr College in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania. He is also director of the Ph.D. program in the School of Social Work and Social Research. He earned undergraduate, M.S.W., and Ph.D. degrees from the University of California, Berkeley, and before turning to full-time academic employment in 1986, he held jobs as a street worker, a shelter director, a tenant organizer, and a wine merchant, among others. Prior to joining the Bryn Mawr faculty in 1990, he taught at McGill University in Montreal, Quebec. Since 1973, he has written extensively about homelessness, welfare policy, and the history of alcohol and drug treatment and control policy. He is the editor of *Homelessness in America* (1996), a benefit book for the National Coalition for the Homeless, and an editor of the interdisciplinary and international quarterly, *Contemporary Drug Problems*. He teaches courses on social welfare history and policy, social theory, addiction, and disability.

**Martha Burt, Ph.D.**, is the director of the Social Services Research Program at the Urban Institute. She received her Ph.D. in sociology in 1972, from the University of Wisconsin–Madison. Since then she has been involved in research and evaluation pertaining to a wide variety of populations and issues. She recently completed her third book on homelessness, *Helping America's Homeless: Emergency Shelter or Affordable Housing?* (2001), based on analyses and interpretation

of the National Survey of Homeless Assistance Providers and Clients. She is also the author of the federal report of the same survey, *Homelessness Programs and the People They Serve* (1999). She has just finished a project for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, assessing continuums of care throughout the country (*Evaluating Continuums of Care for Homeless People*, 2002), and projects on the effects of health insurance on homeless people's receipt of health care and on the homeless service system in the District of Columbia. She is working on a project on the role of supportive services in maintaining chronically homeless people in housing. Her work on homelessness began in 1983 with an examination of the administrative structure of the first two waves of FEMA's Emergency Food and Shelter Program. In 1987, she directed the first national survey of homeless individuals. That study focused on soup kitchen and shelter users in cities with a population of more than 100,000 and is reported in *America's Homeless: Numbers, Characteristics, and the Programs That Serve Them* (1989). In 1992, she published *Over the Edge: The Growth of Homelessness in the 1980s*, which analyzes why homelessness became a major social problem in that decade. Also in 1992 (and again in 1994), she compiled *Practical Methods for Counting Homeless People: A Manual for State and Local Jurisdictions*, which has been widely disseminated and used. She has presented papers at a number of European conferences on homelessness, and continues to be involved in research and policy work on homelessness and residential instability.

**Robert Drake, M.D.**, is the Andrew Thomson Jr. Professor of Psychiatry and Community and Family Medicine at Dartmouth Medical School and director of the New Hampshire–Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Center. He was educated at Princeton, Duke, and Harvard Universities. In addition to working actively as a clinician in community mental health centers for the past twenty years, he has been developing and evaluating innovative community programs for persons with severe mental disorders. He is well known for his work in co-occurring substance use disorder and severe mental illness. Some of his recent work has focused on vocational rehabilitation. He is the author of more than 200 publications, which cover diverse

aspects of adjustment and quality of life among persons with severe mental disorders and those in their support systems.

**Irene Glasser, Ph.D.**, is a senior planning/research analyst with the Community Renewal Team, Inc., in Hartford, Connecticut, which is the oldest community action agency in continual existence in the United States. She received her Ph.D. in anthropology and her M.S.W. from the University of Connecticut. Her research specialties include homelessness, treatment outcome research for the addictions, cross-national comparisons of urban poverty, the history of single-room occupancy hotels, and mothers in prison. She was a professor in anthropology at Eastern Connecticut State University, where she directed the Canadian Studies Program. She completed the Research Fellowship at the Center for Alcohol and Addiction Studies at Brown University and is now a training faculty for the Center. She has published widely on topics of urban poverty and homelessness. In all of her work, she integrates qualitative and quantitative methods of research, placing the data in the broadest historical, social, and cultural context.

**Kim Hopper, Ph.D.**, is a medical anthropologist who works as a research scientist at the Nathan S. Kline Institute for Psychiatric Research, where he codirects the Center for the Study of Issues in Public Mental Health. He is also Associate Professor at the Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University. Since 1979, he has done ethnographic and historical research on psychiatric care and on homelessness, chiefly in New York City. Active in homeless advocacy efforts since 1980, he is a cofounder of both the National Coalition for the Homeless and the New York Coalition for the Homeless. He is the author of *Reckoning With Homelessness* (2003), as well as the coeditor of the upcoming *Recovery from Schizophrenia: An International Perspective*.

**Paul Koegel, Ph.D.**, is a medical and urban anthropologist who serves as associate director of RAND Health, a \$45 million program of health services research at the RAND Corporation. His research has focused primarily on the adaptation of marginal populations to contemporary urban settings and how the

systems of care that are mandated to assist them either facilitate or hinder that adaptation. Throughout his twenty-five-year research career, he has addressed questions related to these issues with regard to several populations, including adults with mental retardation, homeless individuals, adults with serious mental illness, and substance abusers. He has done so using multiple methods, including the qualitative methods associated with anthropology, epidemiological methods, evaluation techniques, and health services methods and perspectives. His intimate knowledge of and experience with each of these paradigms has enabled him to effectively triangulate multiple methods in his research and has made him an attractive collaborator for quantitatively oriented investigators eager to blend qualitative methods into their research efforts. His work on homelessness, mental illness, and substance abuse has involved international collaborations.

**Kenneth L. Kusmer, Ph.D.**, is Professor of History at Temple University, where he teaches American social history, African-American history, and recent American history. A graduate of Oberlin College, he received an M.A. from Kent State University, where he studied with August Meier, and a Ph.D. in history from the University of Chicago, where he studied with Neil Harris, John Hope Franklin, and John Coatsworth. He is the author of *A Ghetto Takes Shape: Black Cleveland, 1870–1930* (1978), and *Down and Out, On the Road: The Homeless in American History* (2001), the first scholarly history of homelessness (and the response to the homeless) that covers the entire span of American history from the colonial period to the present. He also edited *Black Communities and Urban Development in America, 1720–1990* (1991). He has published more than twenty-five scholarly articles and fifty book reviews on a wide range of topics in American social, ethnic, and African-American history, and has lectured extensively throughout the United States and Western Europe. He has taught at Temple University since 1976 and has also been a visiting professor at the University of Pennsylvania. In 1987–1988, he held the Bancroft Chair in American History at the University of Goettingen, Germany, and, during the spring semester, 2001, he was Senior Fulbright Lecturer at the University of Genoa, Italy.

**Gretchen Noll** is deputy director of programs at the National Network for Youth and oversees the day-to-day operations of the Network's HIV prevention portfolio. As deputy director of one of the nation's leading HIV prevention initiatives for youth in high-risk situations, she has designed and implemented many capacity-building projects for youth workers, teachers, health department personnel, and community leaders. She often consults for foundations, national organizations, government, and community-based organizations on a broad range of issues, including adolescent sexual health, youth development, the specialized needs of runaway and homeless youth and sexual minority youth, service standards, and the professional development of youth workers. She has broad experience in working with community-based agencies to plan programs and develop policy and has worked with runaway and homeless youth service providers, domestic violence professionals, and educators.

**Debra J. Rog, Ph.D.**, is a Senior Research Associate with Vanderbilt University's Institute for Public Policy Studies and has been the director of the Washington office of the Center for Mental Health Policy since 1990. She received her Ph.D. in social psychology from Vanderbilt University and has more than 20 years of experience designing and implementing evaluation and applied research studies in a range of settings involving issues of mental health, poverty, homelessness, and housing and services for vulnerable populations. Just prior to joining VIPPS, she served as the associate director in the NIMH Office of Programs for the Homeless Mentally Ill on a three-year Special Expert appointment, where she developed the first research and multi-site evaluation initiatives for pro-

grams serving homeless persons with severe mental illness funded under the Stewart B. McKinney Act. Currently, she is the principal investigator of a Coordinating Center for the Center for Mental Services' Housing Initiative for Persons with Serious Mental Illness; a Coordinating Center for the Centers for Mental Health Services; Substance Abuse Treatment's Homeless Families Initiative; and two foundation-funded, cross-site evaluations of local collaboratives focused on violence prevention. She has been coeditor of the *Applied Social Research Methods Series* since 1980, a series that has produced over fifty volumes on both quantitative and qualitative research topics. She is also the coeditor of the *Handbook of Applied Social Research Methods* (1997) and a coauthor of *Applied Research Design* (1993).

**Marybeth Shinn, Ph.D.**, is Professor of Psychology at New York University. She was president of the Society for Community Research and Action in 1990–1991, and received that organization's Award for Distinguished Contributions to Theory and Research in 1996. She and her colleagues have conducted numerous studies of homelessness in New York, including both surveys and evaluations of intervention programs. Other research interests include welfare reform, community contexts of human welfare, social policy, and social intervention. She has authored numerous articles on these topics, which have appeared in such journals as the *American Journal of Public Health*, the *Annual Review of Psychology*, and the *Handbook of Community Psychology*. In addition, she has served as associate editor for the *American Journal of Community Psychology* (1986–1988, 1993–1997).