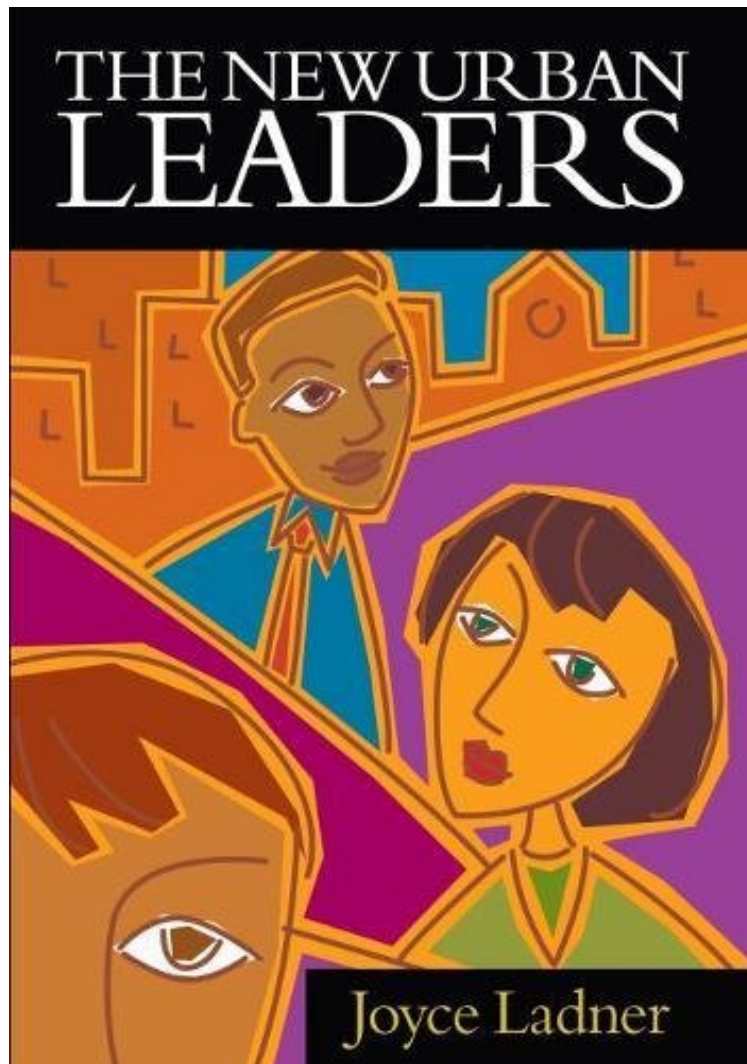


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Some of today's best urban leaders don't work for the governmentthey can be found in nonprofit organizations that serve the working class and poor populations. Based on interviews conducted in major cities including Atlanta, Chicago, Houston, San Francisco, Washington D.C., and New York, this study focuses on exceptional leaders who have developed effective solutions to the complex problems of our inner cities, including education, economic

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In *The New Urban Leaders*, Joyce Ladner, a Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution, profiles some 25 appointed heads of nonprofit community-based urban organizations. Aimed at community activists and leaders, the book includes close studies of a few including Robert Moses, a civil rights era activist who now heads The Algebra Project and the Rev. Eugene Rivers, who fights gang violence in Boston and a broader analysis of how to build such leadership nationally. Copyright 2001 Cahners Business Information, Inc.  
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"By drawing attention to the vision characteristics, and successes of the new urban leaders, Joyce Ladner has shown that talented individuals with a deep commitment to social justice can have a dramatic impact on the lives of others. That point alone could help attract others to this vital field of work." Robert O. Zdenek, United Way of America and National Housing Institute, Shelterforce Online, National Housing Institute, 3/1/2002