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## From the Editors

The Winter, 1998 issue of *Carolina Planning* continues the tradition started in the previous issue of publishing more diverse articles. We also began what we hope will be an annual *Carolina Planning* event, the Carolina Planning Forum, which is a public discussion about a timely and important planning issue. The first Carolina Planning Forum, entitled *Transitions: Linking People to Jobs in an Age of Welfare Reform*, was held at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on November 10, 1997. We chose this topic because of the large impact of welfare reform and the growing importance of job training and placement in the fields of planning and community economic development. The recent strong economic growth in the United States has disproportionately benefited the "haves" at the expense of the "have-nots". At the same time, a strong economy provides a rare opportunity to create economic development strategies that can spread the benefits of growth to all segments of American society. We hope this forum and the article that follows it about targeted economic development give our readers new ideas for confronting problems in their communities.

With this issue, we are changing the dating system of *Carolina Planning* to more accurately reflect the timing of our semi-annual issues. What used to be the Fall and Spring issues are now the Winter and Summer issues. The issue volume and numbers will not change. As always, we welcome readers' submissions to *Carolina Planning*. We also welcome any comments or suggestions you have about *Carolina Planning*.

Jennifer Hurley

Rob Inerfeld

### Do you have a dilemma?

*Carolina Planning* is proposing a new column to discuss issues related to ethics and planning. In each issue, situations will be presented which involve ethical issues, along with a discussion of these issues and possible responses. This is not meant to be a forum for dealing specifically with the problems, but rather to raise questions about what constitutes ethical behavior in planning. We are looking for submissions of relevant situations or case studies, as well as several people who would be willing to comment on these submissions and identify the key ethical issues. If you are interested, please contact *Carolina Planning* at UNC-Chapel Hill, CB # 3140, New East Building, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-3140; (919) 962-4783.

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*The "Built Form" analysis of Richmond, Virginia on the front cover depicts Floor Area Ratio, or total floor area divided by site area. To the northeast is an historic neighborhood of low-rise structures; mid-rise government buildings enclose the state capitol area; and recent high rise, corporate development lines Main Street and the riverfront.*

*This "Grain" analysis of Richmond, Virginia on the back cover depicts the relationship between building footprint and lot area. Grain ranges from coarse to fine, and may be loosely- or tightly-packed. The patterns created by the various structure sizes and the spatial relationships between them become apparent.*