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FAIRFIELD 2000 TASK FORCE LEADERS, STEERING COMMITTEE NAMED

C. Peter McColough, Chair of Fairfield 2000--the public participation project that will address countywide needs in housing, transportation, education and jobs, environmental quality, human services, effective government, the arts and community values--today announced the names of the project Steering Committee. Mr. McColough is Chairman of the Executive Committee of Xerox Corporation.

CO-CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS OF FAIRFIELD 2000

Co-Chairs John T. Brown, Executive Director,  
Committee for Training & Employment

The Honorable Jacquelyn C. Durrell,  
First Selectman, Town of Fairfield

Vice Chairs David Carson, President and Chief Executive  
Officer, People's Bank

Alice Crosby, Chairman, Public Affairs  
Committee, Junior League of Stamford-Norwalk

The Honorable James E. Dyer, Mayor,  
City of Danbury

Joseph F. Fahey, recently retired  
Chairman, The Connecticut Bank & Trust  
Company

The Honorable Mary Anne Guitar, First  
Selectman, Town of Redding

Edward E. Harrison, Chairman Emeritus,  
Bridgeport Area Foundation; Director, Regional  
Plan Association, and Member, Connecticut  
Committee

Reverend Aloysius Kelley, S.J., President,  
Fairfield University

Russell H. Knisel, Vice Chairman,  
Connecticut National Bank; Chairman,  
Southwestern Area Commerce & Industry  
Association

Percy Lee Langstaff, Member, Connecticut  
Committee, Regional Plan Association

The Honorable Stewart B. McKinney,  
Member, United States House of  
Representatives

Anthony V. Milano, Secretary,  
Connecticut State Office of Policy &  
Management

Robert N. Rich, President, F.D. Rich Company;  
Vice Chairman, Regional Plan Association, and  
Chairman, Connecticut Committee

J. Clayton Stephenson, Executive Vice  
President, Chief Financial &  
Administrative Officer, Union Carbide  
Corporation

Betty Tianti, President, Connecticut  
AFL-CIO

Thorwald N. Trolle, Recently retired Vice  
President, Real Estate Division, Xerox;  
Chairman, T. Trolle, Inc.; Member, Connecticut  
Committee, Regional Plan Association

Frank Zullo, Esq., Partner, Tierney,  
Zullo, Flaherty, Hausner & Murphy;  
former Mayor of Norwalk

TASK FORCE CHAIRS

Chairs of the eight Task Forces are ex officio members of the Steering Committee.

Community Values

John F. Merchant, Attorney, Merchant & Rosenblum

Arts

Marvin Green, Chairman of the Board,  
Reeves Communication Corporation

Housing

Ruth L. Sims, President, Greenwich Neighborhoods, Inc.;  
Former First Selectman of Greenwich

Transportation

The Honorable Thom Serrani, Mayor of Stamford

Environmental Protection

William Raveis, President, Raveis Real Estate

Effective Government

Joseph J. McGee, Vice President, People's Bank

Appointments to chair Human Services and Education & Jobs Task Forces are pending.

TASK FORCE VICE-CHAIRS

In addition, each Task Force will have a Vice-chair. With a few exceptions, Task Force chairs are civic leaders with broad interest in the subject; Vice-chairs have expert knowledge.

Education & Jobs

Dr. Geraldine W. Johnson, Director, Council on Adolescent Pregnancy; retired Superintendent of Schools, Bridgeport

Community Values

The Honorable William C. Collins, Mayor of Norwalk

Human Services & Aging

Duira Ward, State Board, United Way; Executive Vice President, United Way of Greenwich; State Board, Connecticut Association for Human Services

Housing

Thorwald N. Trolle, Recently retired Vice President, Real Estate Division, Xerox; Chairman, T. Trolle, Inc.

Transportation

Julianne A. Grace, Vice President, Administration, Perkin-Elmer

Environmental Protection

Roland C. Clement, naturalist and author; formerly Vice President, National Audubon Society

Effective Government

Lawrence P. Weisman, Berkowitz, Balbirer, Weisman & Lubell, PC

TASK FORCE STAFF

Funds from the State of Connecticut will provide some expenses for regional planning agencies and higher education institutions to staff the Task Forces. Those who have agreed to serve:

Education & Jobs

Dr. George E. McCloud, Dean, Graduate School of Communications, Fairfield University; member, State Commission on the Future of Teaching, Michigan

Community Values

Dr. David Dannahar, Dean, College of Arts & Sciences, Fairfield University

Dr. Mary Frances Malone, Assistant Dean, Graduate School of Communications, Fairfield University

The Reverend Thomas Savage, S.J., Assistant Academic  
Vice President, Fairfield University

Human Services

Ellen Rosenberg, Professor of Anthropology and Director,  
Center for Urban Studies, Western Connecticut State  
University

Housing

Richard S. Eigen, Executive Director, Greater Bridgeport  
Regional Planning Agency

Transportation

James T. Wang, Executive Director, Greater Bridgeport  
Regional Planning Agency

Environmental Protection

Hooper Brooks, Director, Regional Open Space Program of  
Regional Plan Association

Effective Government

David B. Walker, Director, Institute of Public and Urban  
Affairs, University of Connecticut; Acting Chair,  
Connecticut Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental  
Relations

Arts

W. Earl Sauerwein, Associate Dean, College of Arts &  
Humanities, University of Bridgeport

Regional Plan Association studies the development of  
the Connecticut-New York-New Jersey Urban Region and recommends  
policies. The Connecticut Committee focuses on issues of special  
concern to Fairfield, New Haven and Litchfield Counties.  
Fairfield 2000 represents an evolution of public participation  
processes in which the Association has pioneered for a quarter  
century, most recently with Morris 2000 in New Jersey and  
Westchester 2000 in New York.

FAIRFIELD 2000 SCHEDULE

Task Forces will be asked to deliver a final report to the Steering Committee in early June, 1987. Some are asked to fulfill two or three assignments and to issue reports as soon as each assignment is completed. Task forces will set their own schedules to complete their work by June; Westchester 2000 Task Forces met monthly with occasional special meetings between.

The Steering Committee will meet monthly to hear reports from the Task Force chairs, keep track of progress and identify topics on which Task Forces might work together.

After Task Forces report, the Steering Committee will be responsible for a final project report condensing the Task Force recommendations into a program in language the public can debate. The report will be widely distributed in early fall and discussed at an open conference later in fall.

The Steering Committee and Connecticut Committee of Regional Plan will propose a process for implementing the recommendations at the Conference.

PROJECT FINANCE

The budget for Fairfield 2000 is \$495,000, covering the period from the beginning of 1986 when Regional Plan staff began to interview people about the problems that should be addressed through the April 7 preliminary Conference at Fairfield University attended by 250 invited leaders, including Governor William A. O'Neill and Stewart B. McKinney, and through 1987, when the written report and open conference will be completed. About 40 percent is already pledged from Fairfield County foundations and a small number of corporations and the State of Connecticut. Further support is being solicited; contributors will be announced soon.

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