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**AFFORDABLE HOUSING DESIGNS FOR FAIRFIELD COUNTY SOUGHT IN \$10,000  
COMPETITION SPONSORED BY ARCHITECTS AND PLANNERS**

A \$10,000 design competition for Connecticut, Affordable Housing: Visions for the Future was announced today by its six sponsors: the Connecticut Committee of Regional Plan Association/Fairfield 2000, Connecticut Society of Architects, Connecticut Department of Housing, Yale School of Architecture, Greenwich Housing Coalition and the Town of Greenwich, which owns the site to be used for the exercise.

The location is the obsolete Cos Cob power plant site near the Cos Cob railroad station on Long Island Sound. The site is approximately nine acres.

All architects, landscape architects, developers and students throughout the United States are invited to enter. Prizes will be \$2,500, \$1,500 and \$1,000, but the jury will have any additional \$5,000 to be awarded at its discretion.

Commendable entries will be displayed, and many will be included in an "Affordable Housing Solutions" booklet to be distributed widely in Connecticut.

The professional advisor for the competition is Donald Watson, Chairman of the Yale Environmental Design Program and Fellow of the American Institute of Architects.

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Sponsored by the Connecticut Committee of Regional Plan Association

Jurors will include professional architects and representatives of the Connecticut Department of Housing and the Fairfield 2000 Housing Task Force, which proposed the project. Fairfield 2000 is a citizen planning program sponsored by the Connecticut Committee of Regional Plan Association. The Association is a 60-year-old non-profit research and advocacy organization that plans for the Connecticut-New York-New Jersey Urban Region.

While competitors are asked to design the housing for a specific site, the purpose is to provide ideas for moderate-cost housing designs that fit the Fairfield County area generally.

Registration forms and information are available from the Connecticut Committee, Regional Plan Association, 500 Summer Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06901. The fee is \$50. Material will be mailed September 1, 1988. Submissions are due November 15. Winners will be announced December 15.

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## AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Visions for the Future

### An invitation

to architects, landscape architects, developers, and students to propose imaginative concepts for affordable housing for Connecticut

**The need:** Concepts of housing that are affordable and attractive and that contribute lasting benefits to Connecticut communities.

**The opportunity:** A national competition of ideas to propose convincing and imaginative models of affordable housing for Connecticut, along with complementary open space and community uses, with reference to a major "show-case" site in Greenwich, Connecticut.

### The rewards:

- \* \$10,000 in awards: First Prize \$2,500, Second Prize \$1,500, Third Prize \$1,000 plus \$5,000 in additional prizes to be awarded at the discretion of the jury.
- \* All entries identified as commendable will be displayed publicly and be subject to a popular vote.
- \* Publishable entries will be included in an "Affordable Housing Solutions" booklet to be made available to housing groups in communities throughout Connecticut.

### Sponsors:

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Town of Greenwich  
Greenwich Housing Coalition  
Connecticut Society of Architects  
Connecticut Department of Housing  
Yale School of Architecture

### Professional Advisor:

Donald Watson, FAIA, Chairman, Yale Environmental Design Program

### Schedule:

Announcement and opening of Registration:	July 15
Competition packets available:	September 1
End of Question Period:	October 1
Submissions Due:	November 15
Exhibit and Public Voting:	Week of November 28
Announcement of Winners:	December 15

**Who may enter:** Architects, landscape architects, and/or related building professionals and architectural students may enter as individuals or as teams.

**To register:** Send \$50 to "Fairfield 2000" Affordable Housing Competition, c/o Regional Plan Association, Connecticut Committee, 500 Summer Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06901.

Registration packets will be mailed after August 15.