

# Small Cities

Decoding **Small Cities**: Revealing the Captivating Potential of Verbal Expression

In a period characterized by interconnectedness and an insatiable thirst for knowledge, the captivating potential of verbal expression has emerged as a formidable force. Its power to evoke sentiments, stimulate introspection, and incite profound transformations is genuinely awe-inspiring. Within the pages of "**Small Cities**," a mesmerizing literary creation penned with a celebrated wordsmith, readers attempt an enlightening odyssey, unraveling the intricate significance of language and its enduring effect on our lives. In this appraisal, we shall explore the book's central themes, evaluate its distinctive writing style, and gauge its pervasive influence on the hearts and minds of its readership.

**After the Factory** James J. Connolly 2010-10-14 *After the Factory* explores the challenges and opportunities facing the smaller industrial cities of America's heartland as they seek to reinvent themselves. It offers a unique, multidisciplinary look at communities often ignored by conventional urban studies and urban history scholarship.

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the field of urban planning and change has focused on the economic, political, social, cultural and spatial transformations of global cities and larger metropolitan areas. In this topical new volume, David Bell and Mark Jayne redress this balance, focusing on urban change within small cities around the world. Drawing together research from a strong international team of contributors, this four part book is the first systematic

overview of small cities. A comprehensive and integrated primer with coverage of all key topics, it takes a multi-disciplinary approach to an important contemporary urban phenomenon. The book addresses: political and economic decision making urban economic development and competitive advantage cultural infrastructure and planning in the regeneration of small cities identities, lifestyles and ways in which different groups interact in small cities. Centering on urban change as opposed to pure ethnographic description, the book's focus on informed empirical research raises many important issues. Its blend of conceptual chapters and theoretically directed case studies provides an excellent resource for a broad spectrum of undergraduate and postgraduate students, as well as providing a rich resource for academics and researchers. *Small Town Economic Development* Joaquin Jay Gonzalez III, 2017-05-24 We tend to associate small town

economic development with the decline of the rural United States--empty houses, shuttered shops and rusting factories. A common diagnosis of sluggish small town recovery is their lack of lifestyle amenities that attract new residents and businesses. Yet many small towns have shown progress and potential in recent years. This collection of recent articles by experts presents stories of small-town America's struggle and describes innovations and practices behind successful revivals.

**Small Cities Thinking Big**

Michael G. Hall 2021-10-26 Many cities with a population of 150,000 or less struggle to compete with their larger neighbors and often have trouble attracting residents and new businesses. This book explores the numerous ways these cities can compete on a larger scale without sacrificing their small-town character. It utilizes experiences from other cities, as well as from the author's time revitalizing Augusta, Maine (pop. 19,000).

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Featuring chapters that focus on organizing volunteers, adhering to aesthetics, marketing, urban planning, and more, this book tackles key paths every small city should follow when attempting to redevelop its image.

[Kansas Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program](#) Kansas. Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program 1988

**Cities For A Small Planet**

Richard Rogers 2008-08-01  
 Nothing else damages the earth's environment more than our cities. As the world's population has grown, our cities have burgeoned, and their impact on the environment worsened. Meanwhile, from the isolated, gated communities within Houston and Los Angeles, to the millions of residents of Bombay living in squalor, the city has failed to serve its ideal function—as the cradle of civilization, the engine of culture, and the inspiration for community and citizenship. In *Cities for a Small Planet*, Sir Richard Rogers, one of the

world's leading architects and the designer of the Pompidou Center in Paris, demonstrates how future cities could provide the springboard for restoring humanity's harmony with its environment. Rogers outlines the disastrous impact cities have had and will continue to have on our world, from waste-saturated Tokyo Bay, to the massive plumes of pollution caused by London's traffic, to the depleted water resources of Mexico City. He traces these problems to the underlying social and cultural values that create them—unchecked commercial zeal, selfish individualism, and a lack of community. Bringing to bear concepts such as that of “open-minded” space—places within cities that serve multiple functions such as markets, parks, and sidewalk cafes—he explains how urban design can be used to give citizens a sense of shared experience. The city built with comfortable and safe public space can bring diverse groups together and breed a sense of tolerance, awareness, identity, and mutual respect.

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He calls for a new theoretical shift in the way cities do business and interact with the environment, arguing that many products come to market and are sold without figuring their social or environmental cost. Rogers goes on to describe the city of the future: one that is sustainable within its own environment; that can make a positive impact on its surroundings; that encourages communication among its citizens; that is compact and focused around neighborhoods; and that is beautiful, a city whose buildings and spaces spark the creative potential of its inhabitants. As our population grows larger, our planet grows smaller. Cities for a Small Planet is a passionate and eloquent blueprint for the cities we must create in response, cities that provide for the needs of both their residents and the earth on which they live.

*The Economic Survival of America's Isolated Small Towns*

Gerald L. Gordon 2015-06-26

The economic history of the recent decade has been volatile

at best, and devastating at its worst. The effects have tended to be most severe in the small, isolated towns of America. The Economic Survival of America's Isolated Small Towns presents a detailed discussion of the economic challenges facing these small towns, looking at why some have sur

### **American Hometown**

**Renewal** Gary A. Mattson

2016-09-13 Before the

interstates, Main Street

America was the small town's

commercial spine and served

as the linchpin for community

social solidarity. Yet, during

the past three decades, a series

of economic downturns has left

many of the great small cities

barely viable. American

Hometown Renewal is the first

book to combine

administrative, budgetary, and

economic analysis to examine

the economic and fiscal plight

currently facing America's

small towns. Featuring a blend

of theory, applications, and

case studies, it provides a

comprehensive, single-source

textbook covering the key

issues facing small town

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officials in today's uncertain economy. Written by a former public manager, university professor, and consultant to numerous small towns in the Heartland, this book demonstrates the ways in which contemporary small towns throughout the nation are facing economic challenges brought about by the financial shocks that began in 2008. Each chapter explores a theme related to small town revival and provides a related tool or technique to enable small town officials to meet the challenges of the 21st Century. Encouraging local small town officials to look at the economic orbit of communities in a similar manner as a town's budget or a family's personal wealth, examining its specific competitive advantages in terms of relative assets to those of competing communities, this book provides the reader with step-by-step instructions on how to conduct an asset inventory and apply key asset tools to devise a strategy for overcoming the challenges and constraints

imposed upon spatially-fixed communities. American Hometown Renewal is an essential primer for students studying city management, economic community development, and city planning, and will be a trusted handbook for city managers, geographers, city planners, urban or rural sociologists, political scientists, and regional microeconomists.

**The 100 Best Small Towns in America** Norman Crampton 1993 "A nationwide guide to the best in small-town living"-- Cover subtitle.

*The Rating Guide to Life in America's Small Cities* G. Scott Thomas 1990 A guide for those wishing to flee large cities. Rates the usual: climate, diversions, education, housing, health care... Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR

**Community Development Block Grant--small Cities Regulations** United States. Congress. House. Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs. Subcommittee on Housing and Community

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Development 1982

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*Race-ing Fargo* Jennifer Erickson 2020-10-15 Tracing the history of refugee settlement in Fargo, North Dakota, from the 1980s to the present day, *Race-ing Fargo* focuses on the role that gender, religion, and sociality play in everyday interactions between refugees from South Sudan and Bosnia-Herzegovina and the dominant white Euro-American population of the city. Jennifer Erickson outlines the ways in which refugees have impacted this small city over the last thirty years, showing how culture, political economy, and institutional

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transformations collectively contribute to the racialization of white cities like Fargo in ways that complicate their demographics. Race-ing Fargo shows that race, religion, and decorum prove to be powerful forces determining worthiness and belonging in the city and draws attention to the different roles that state and private sectors played in shaping ideas about race and citizenship on a local level. Through the comparative study of white secular Muslim Bosnians and Black Christian Southern Sudanese, Race-ing Fargo demonstrates how cross-cultural and transnational understandings of race, ethnicity, class, and religion shape daily citizenship practices and belonging.

[Beyond the Metropolis](#)  
Benjamin Ofori-Amoah 2007  
Beyond the Metropolis is an attempt to mend the lacuna that exists between large and small city studies in urban geography, especially in North America. It covers a wide range of topics organized around some of the most common

themes that urban geographers have addressed in their study of large cities. In addition to a general introduction and conclusion, the book is divided into three parts. Part I focuses on the evolution and growth of small cities.

**Small Town Mission** Aaron Morrow 2016-05-08  
Small Town Mission is a practical guide for gospel-centered mission in small towns. If you haven't noticed, people who live in small towns have limited options for restaurants, shopping, and books about mission. Small towns desperately need normal, everyday people like farmers, factory workers, teachers, secretaries, and small business owners who think and act like missionaries to reach their friends, neighbors, co-workers, and extended families for Christ. This book aims to help local churches in small towns do that. After all, mission isn't just something that must be prioritized globally and in big cities; it must also be prioritized locally and in small towns.

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Small Cities USA Jon R Norman 2013-02-22 While journalists document the decline of small-town America and scholars describe the ascent of such global cities as New York and Los Angeles, the fates of little cities remain a mystery. What about places like Providence, Rhode Island; Green Bay, Wisconsin; Laredo, Texas; and Salinas, California—the smaller cities that constitute much of America’s urban landscape? In *Small Cities USA*, Jon R. Norman examines how such places have fared in the wake of the large-scale economic, demographic, and social changes that occurred in the latter part of the twentieth century. Drawing on an assessment of eighty small cities between 1970 and 2000, Norman considers the factors that have altered the physical, social, and economic landscapes of such places. These cities are examined in relation to new patterns of immigration, shifts in the global economy, and changing residential preferences. *Small Cities USA* presents the first

large-scale comparison of smaller cities over time in the United States, showing that small cities that have prospered over time have done so because of diverse populations and economies. These "glocal" cities, as Norman calls them, are doing well without necessarily growing into large metropolises.

### **Small, Gritty, and Green**

Catherine Tumber 2013-09-13 How small-to-midsize Rust Belt cities can play a crucial role in a low-carbon, sustainable, and relocalized future. America's once-vibrant small-to-midsize cities—Syracuse, Worcester, Akron, Flint, Rockford, and others—increasingly resemble urban wastelands. Gutted by deindustrialization, outsourcing, and middle-class flight, disproportionately devastated by metro freeway systems that laid waste to the urban fabric and displaced the working poor, small industrial cities seem to be part of America's past, not its future. And yet, Catherine Tumber argues in this provocative

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book, America's gritty Rust Belt cities could play a central role in a greener, low-carbon, relocalized future. As we wean ourselves from fossil fuels and realize the environmental costs of suburban sprawl, we will see that small cities offer many assets for sustainable living not shared by their big city or small town counterparts, including population density and nearby, fertile farmland available for new environmentally friendly uses. Tumber traveled to twenty-five cities in the Northeast and Midwest—from Buffalo to Peoria to Detroit to Rochester—interviewing planners, city officials, and activists, and weaving their stories into this exploration of small-scale urbanism. Smaller cities can be a critical part of a sustainable future and a productive green economy. Small, Gritty, and Green will help us develop the moral and political imagination we need to realize this.

Refugees in New Destinations and Small Cities Pablo S. Bose  
2020-11-23 For the last two

decades, refugees, like other immigrants, have been settling in newer locations throughout the US and other countries. No longer are refugees to be found only in major metropolitan areas and gateway cities; instead, they are arriving in small towns, rural areas, rustbelt cities, and suburbs. What happens to them in these new destinations and what happens to the places that receive them? Drawing on a decade's worth of interviews, surveys, spatial analysis and community-based projects with key informants, Dr Pablo Bose argues that the value of refugee newcomers to their new homes cannot be underestimated.

**An Operating Budget Handbook for Small Cities and Other Governmental**

**Units** Small Cities Financial Management Project 1978

**The Small City and Regional Community** 1999

**Replanning Small Cities** John Nolen 1912

**The Driftless Zone, Or, A Novel Concerning the Selective Outmigration from**

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**Small Cities** Rick Harsch 1997  
The absurdity of David Lynch  
and the zaniness of John  
Kennedy Toole-- Library  
Journal (starred review)

**Vulnerable Communities**

James J. Connolly 2022-02-15  
Vulnerable Communities  
examines the struggles of  
smaller cities in the United  
States, those with populations  
between 20,000 and 200,000.  
Like many larger metropolitan  
centers, these places are  
confronting change within a  
globalized economic and  
cultural order. Many of them  
have lost their identities as  
industrial or commercial  
centers and face a complex and  
distinctive mix of economic,  
social, and civic challenges.  
Small cities have not only  
fewer resources but different  
strengths and weaknesses, all  
of which differentiate their  
experiences from those of  
larger communities. Vulnerable  
Communities draws together  
scholars from a broad range of  
disciplines to consider the  
present condition and future  
prospects of smaller American  
cities. Contributors offer a mix

of ground-level analyses and  
examinations of broader  
developments that have  
impacted economically  
weakened communities and  
provide concrete ideas for local  
leaders engaged in  
redevelopment work. The  
essays remind policy makers  
and academics alike that it is  
necessary to consider cultural  
tensions and place-specific  
conflicts that can derail even  
the most well-crafted  
redevelopment strategies  
prescribed for these  
communities.

**Small Cities** United States.  
Congress. House. Committee  
on Banking, Finance, and  
Urban Affairs. Subcommittee  
on the City 1978

**The New Rating Guide to  
Life in America's Small**

**Cities** Kevin Heubusch 1997  
Provides a societal map and a  
thorough report card of the  
communities that rank among  
the best, and worst, of 193  
micropolitan locales--cities with  
15,000 to 50,000 residents and  
their surrounding counties--in  
the United States.

Common Houses in America's

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Small Towns John A. Jakle 1989  
 Surveys the types of homes found in twenty American small towns, and discusses house plans, features, and structural forms

**Small Town Sustainability**

Paul Knox 2009-01-01 In an era in which the individuality and vitality of small towns are under threat from globalization, and city planning discussions tend to center on topics like metropolitan regions, megaregions, and global cities, the authors of this volume see a need to reflect critically on the potential of small towns. They show how small towns can meet the challenge of a fast-paced, globalized world, and they use case studies to introduce movements, programs, and strategies capable of effectively promoting local cultures, traditions, identities, and sustainability. Small towns often play critical roles in regional economic systems. When small towns focus on their specific characteristics and take advantage of their opportunities, they can become

stable niches within regional, national, and global economies and take on an important role in shaping a sustainable future. In einer Zeit, in der der Prozess der Globalisierung die Besonderheiten kleiner Städte und ihre Vitalität bedroht, und in der sich die meisten stadtplanerischen Diskussionen um Themen wie Metropolregionen oder Mega-Regionen und Weltstädte drehen, sehen die Autoren die Notwendigkeit, das Potenzial kleiner Ortschaften kritisch zu reflektieren. Sie veranschaulichen wie Kleinstädte die Herausforderung einer schnelllebigen und globalisierten Welt annehmen können, und stellen anhand von Fallbeispielen Bewegungen, Programme und Strategien vor, die örtliche Kulturen, Traditionen, Identitäten und Nachhaltigkeit effektiv zu fördern wissen. Kleinstädte spielen oftmals eine entscheidende Rolle innerhalb regionaler Wirtschaftssysteme. Wenn Kleinstädte sich auf ihre

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spezifischen Eigenschaften konzentrieren und ihre Möglichkeiten nutzen, können sie zu stabilen Nischen in regionalen, nationalen und globalen Ökonomien werden und wesentlich dazu beitragen, eine nachhaltige Zukunft zu gestalten.

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*Our Towns* James Fallows  
2018-05-08 NATIONAL BEST SELLER • The basis for the HBO documentary now streaming on HBO Max For five years, James and Deborah

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Fallows have travelled across America in a single-engine prop airplane. Visiting dozens of towns, the America they saw is acutely conscious of its problems—from economic dislocation to the opioid scourge—but it is also crafting solutions, with a practical-minded determination at dramatic odds with the bitter paralysis of national politics. At times of dysfunction on a national level, reform possibilities have often arisen from the local level. The Fallowses describe America in the middle of one of these creative waves. Their view of the country is as complex and contradictory as America itself, but it also reflects the energy, the generosity and compassion, the dreams, and the determination of many who are in the midst of making things better. *Our Towns* is the story of their journey—and an account of a country busy remaking itself.

### **Cultural Political Economy of Small Cities** Anne

Lorentzen 2012-02-13 The volume highlights ongoing

changes in the political economy of small cities in relation to the field of culture and leisure. Culture and leisure are focal points both to local entrepreneurship and to planning by city governments, which means that these developments are subject to market dynamics as well as to political discourse and action. Public-private partnerships as well as conflicts of interests characterise the field, and a major issue related to the strategic development of culture and leisure is the balance between market and welfare. This field is gaining importance in most cities today in planning, production and consumption, but to the extent that these changes have drawn academic attention it has focused on large, metropolitan areas and on creative clusters and flagship high culture projects. Smaller cities and their often substantively different cultural strategies have been largely ignored, thus leading to a huge gap in our knowledge on contemporary urban change. By bringing

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together a number of case studies as well as theoretical reflections on the cultural political economy of small cities, this volume contributes to an emerging small cities research agenda and to the development of policy-relevant expertise that is sensitive to place-specific cultural dynamics. In taking this approach, the volume hopes to contribute to emerging research on culture and leisure economies by developing a differentiated spatial dimension to it, without which sustainable urban strategies cannot be developed. This book integrates perspectives of economic development with questions of governance and equity in relation to the fields of culture and leisure planning and development. This book should be of interest to students and researchers of Urban Studies and Planning, Regional Studies and Economics, as well as Sociology and Geography.

*Place Branding for Small Cities, Regions and Downtowns*  
 Bill Baker 2019-06-05 Boost

tourism, economic development, and community pride by understanding and mastering the art and science of place branding. "Baker's previous books were instant hits and considered classics. In this one, he takes place branding to the next level." - Dr. Florian Kaefer, The Place Brand Observer In this NEW, UPDATED, and EXPANDED edition Bill Baker presents proven techniques and real-world examples for transforming tourism, economic development, placemaking and wayfinding. He is straight to the point and gives you the nuts and bolts to reveal and manage a sustainable destination brand.

PLACE BRANDING SIMPLIFIED "This book tackles the confusion, challenges, limitations, misconceptions, and the scope of place branding." - Robert Govers, Chair, International Place Branding Association 'Place Branding' explores the scope and dynamics of place branding, and provides step-by-step processes to research,

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define and deploy a winning brand strategy. Each chapter demystifies what can sometimes seem like complex concepts and practices required to establish and manage a competitive identity. PLACE BRANDING BEYOND LOGOS "Bill Baker does a great job of distilling the nuance of not just brand building, but the equal necessity of place building." - Maura Allen Gast, Executive Director, VisitIrving (TX) Baker explains why community partnerships are needed to bring a destination brand to life and create a beloved sense of place. He joins the dots to pinpoint issues related to the organization, staff, partnerships, regulations, experience delivery, placemaking, wayfinding, government policies, and personnel to make the point that success takes more than marketing communications and logos. NEW FRONTIERS AND TRENDS "This book is packed with killer insights. In his latest book, Bill Baker continues to redefine the art and science of

community brands." - Bill Geist, Chief Instigator, DMOProz 'Place Branding' spotlights the trends reshaping the practice, scope and dynamics of place branding. It illustrates how place branding must embrace changes, as diverse as technology, consumer behavior, placemaking, urban design, organization roles, sustainability, an experiential focus, more engaged communities, and more. At the same time, he shows how small places must fit into a louder and more crowded world. WHO SHOULD READ THIS BOOK? "Bill Baker's words always entice and engage audiences at every level of expertise. Here, he targets newcomers to place branding, but his words are a good refresher for old-timers alike." - Erik Wolf, CEO, World Food Travel Association Whether you are new to place marketing and branding or you're seeking fresh inspiration, this is essential reading for destination marketers, DMOs, Boards and Committees, Chambers of Commerce, Downtown

Associations, economic development managers, urban design teams, government leaders, as well as students and academics. WHAT'S INCLUDED? Reading 'Place Branding', you will: Discover the latest place branding trends and new applications Understand why many place branding efforts are doomed before they start Discover effective ways to bring your community's brand to life Access dozens of helpful tips and useful checklists Understand why branding is even more important in the Digital Age Gain valuable insights from some of the world's leading place branding consultants, academics and practitioners

Downtowns Michael A. Burayidi 2013-10-16 This collection evaluates the various strategies that different cities have used when attempting to economically revitalize downtown areas.

**Small-Town America** Robert Wuthnow 2015-05-26 A revealing examination of small-town life More than thirty

million Americans live in small, out-of-the-way places. Many of them could have joined the vast majority of Americans who live in cities and suburbs. They could live closer to more lucrative careers and convenient shopping, a wider range of educational opportunities, and more robust health care. But they have opted to live differently. In *Small-Town America*, we meet factory workers, shop owners, retirees, teachers, clergy, and mayors—residents who show neighborliness in small ways, but who also worry about everything from school closings and their children's futures to the ups and downs of the local economy. Drawing on more than seven hundred in-depth interviews in hundreds of towns across America and three decades of census data, Robert Wuthnow shows the fragility of community in small towns. He covers a host of topics, including the symbols and rituals of small-town life, the roles of formal and informal leaders, the social role of religious congregations, the

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perception of moral and economic decline, and the myriad ways residents in small towns make sense of their own lives. Wuthnow also tackles difficult issues such as class and race, abortion, homosexuality, and substance abuse. Small-Town America paints a rich panorama of individuals who reside in small communities, finding that, for many people, living in a small town is an important part of self-identity.

**Water-works for Small Cities and Towns** John Milton Goodell 1899

**Small City Big Paper** A-Town 2018-03-20 Small City Big Paper By: A-Town Avery Haigler aka A-Town better known as Mr. 803 was born and raised in Orangeburg, South Carolina. Growing up in the poverty stricken part of the city led Avery to a life of crime at a very young age. With his first arrest coming at the age of 9 years old. Always wanting more and having street savvy with book smarts to match led to a career criminal in the making. In and out of juvenile

detention, jail and prison from the age of 10 up until his final arrest at the age of 26 that landed him in federal prison with a 10 year sentence for drug conspiracy and money laundering. Avery went from petty criminal to one of the largest drug dealers in his city during his era. From basically having nothing to becoming a millionaire off the drug trade all while in a small city known as Orangeburg. While incarcerated in the Federal Prison, Avery read numerous urban novels that depicted the drug scenes in major cities. He then realized that while he was from a small city, the drug scene in Orangeburg was on a major level like in bigger cities, which let him to writing this book. Letting readers know that even though Orangeburg is a small city, it's some Big Paper (serious money) being made there. Since his release from federal prison in March of 2017, Avery has been working a regular 9 to 5 job and enjoying life spending time with his family and 7 beautiful kids. Also, he has a promotion

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company called 'I Ain't Press Entertainment', in which he promotes parties, events and local artists. He is also investing into real estate with hopes of having 10 rental properties by his 40th birthday.

### **How Places Make Us**

Japanica Brown-Saracino 2018  
 Maybe we've had enough of studies of gay men and urban centers, tracing out the similarities from one place to the next. Japanica Brown-Saracino bucks the trend, giving us the first in-depth study of lesbians (and bisexual/queer women more generally), showing how four contrasting communal cultures have shaped their identity. Individual lesbian residents shape the culture of sexual identity they embrace, based at the same time on the prevailing culture in the city they inhabit. And the consequence is that the same woman will develop a different version of lesbian identity depending on which of the four cities she moves into. Those cities are: Ithaca, New York; San Luis Obispo, California; Greenfield,

Massachusetts; and Portland, Maine. She identifies them in the book (a rare move for ethnographers), thus insuring a coast-to-coast readership, with lots of debate. This book advances, in almost equal measure, sexuality and gender studies, theories of identity, theories of place, and urban sociology. Each city has its own loose bundles or connections between residents, whether it's the taste-based ties in Ithaca, or the ties in San Luis Obispo that cut across demographics, or the conversations about identity that prevail in Portland, or the emphasis Greenfield on other dimensions of the self (e.g., profession, politics, or life stage, such as motherhood). Along the way, Brown-Saracino poses a set of questions from urban sociology about migration, residential choice, and community change processes that students of cities rarely apply to sexual minority populations.

*A Debt Management Handbook for Small Cities and Other Governmental Units* Small Cities Financial Management

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Project 1978

Small Cities with Big Dreams

Greg Richards 2018-07-20 How can small cities make an impact in a globalizing world dominated by 'world cities' and urban development strategies aimed at increasing agglomeration? This book addresses the challenges of smaller cities trying to put themselves on the map, attract resources and initiate development. Placemaking has become an important tool for driving urban development that is sensitive to the needs of communities. This volume examines the development of creative placemaking practices that can help to link small cities to external networks, stimulate collaboration and help them make the most of the opportunities presented by the knowledge economy. The authors argue that the adoption of more strategic, holistic placemaking strategies that engage all stakeholders can be a successful alternative to copying bigger places. Drawing on a range of examples from around the

world, they analyse small city development strategies and identify key success factors. This book focuses on the case of 's-Hertogenbosch, a small Dutch city that used cultural programming to link itself to global networks and stimulate economic, cultural, social and creative development. It advocates the use of cultural programming strategies as a more flexible alternative to traditional top-down planning approaches and as a means of avoiding copying the big city. *Small Cities with Big City Problems* United States. Congress. House. Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs. Subcommittee on General Oversight, Investigations, and the Resolution of Failed Financial Institutions 1994 *CETA Youth Programs in Small Cities* 1980

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