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DAYTON, Ohio, April 18, 1978 -- Religious organizations can be a vital element in the revitalization of urban neighborhoods. That's the theme of the "Parishes and Neighborhoods" Conference to be held at the Bergamo Center May 5-7.

Sponsored by the National Center for Urban Ethnic Affairs (NCUEA), Washington, D.C., and the University of Dayton's Office for Moral and Religious Education, the conference will feature national and local speakers who have had direct experience in community revitalization activities.

Keynote speaker for the conference will be Rev. Andrew Greeley, director of the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago. Archbishop Joseph Bernardin, Archdiocese of Cincinnati, will give the address of welcome.

Msgr. Geno C. Baroni, assistant secretary for neighborhoods in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, will discuss "Neighborhoods and Urban Policy" and Marcy Kaptur of the White House Domestic Council will speak on "What President Carter Is Doing for the Neighborhoods."

NCUEA President Robert J. Corletta will give an overview of resources for neighborhood development.

Brothers Bruno V. Manno of the University of Dayton and Ronald Pasquariello, director of the NCUEA Office of Religious Affairs, are conference coordinators. Pasquariello noted that a major emphasis of the conference will be "practical workshops with persons currently working in ongoing neighborhood revitalization projects involving parishes."

Scheduled workshops will center about the parish role in the following issues: credit unions, training community organizers, neighborhood economic revitalization, neighborhood and ethnic arts, how to put together a sponsoring committee, fund raising and proposal writing, the politics of participation, and parishes and culture.

Additional information about the conference may be obtained from the Office for Moral and Religious Education, University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, 45469, Phone 513/229-4327 or 229-4329.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT UD'S OFFICE FOR MORAL AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, AT 229-4327 OR 229-4329.