



Confronting Suburban Poverty in America (Paperback)

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BROOKINGS INSTITUTION, United States, 2014. Paperback. Condition: New. Reprint. Language: English . Brand New Book. It has been nearly a half century since President Lyndon Johnson declared war on poverty. Back in the 1960s tackling poverty in place meant focusing resources in the inner city and in rural areas. The suburbs were seen as home to middle- and upper-class families -affluent commuters and homeowners looking for good schools and safe communities in which to raise their kids. But today s America is a very different place. Poverty is no longer just an urban or rural problem, but increasingly a suburbanone as well. In Confronting Suburban Poverty in America, Elizabeth Kneebone and Alan Berube take on the new reality of metropolitan poverty and opportunity in America. After decades in which suburbs added poor residents at a faster pace than cities, the 2000s marked a tipping point. Suburbia is now home to the largest and fastest-growing poor population in the country and more than half of the metropolitan poor. However, the antipoverty infrastructure built over the past several decades does not fit this rapidly changing geography. As Kneebone and Berube cogently demonstrate, the solution no longer fits the problem. The spread of suburban poverty...

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