**Editor’s Note**

Training to build organizational and individual capacity is given special attention because it provides an obvious leverage point to address many of the organizational challenges facing community-based development. Although training is an important part of the community economic development system, we know so little about curriculum, who needs training, and who provides training. In addition, we need to emphasize the quality of training. Whether training is provided at community colleges or universities, or through training intermediaries or individual consultants, the quality of training is a defining factor in individual and field success.