

EDITORS' NOTE

In this third issue of *Hybrid*, we present a collection of works that takes a glimpse into the lives of those outside the mainstream. To begin, the 1995 Sparer Conference keynote address presents three perspectives on the crises affecting the criminal justice system in the 1990's. Nick Larsen examines the Canadian legislature's response to prostitution in three major Canadian cities. Next, Cheri Honkala details her experiences as a single mother battling the welfare system. Robert Spector compares five cities' approaches to the panhandling problem. Finally, Victoria Spetter discusses the intersection of welfare and homelessness.

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