Katrina Practicum
Session 17

Agenda:
- Student Report Back
- Break Out Groups

Student Report Back:

1. Environmental Group:
   - Gathering materials and resources
     o Health Effects
     o Clean Up
     o Tenants Rights
       ▪ What can be demanded of landlords
       ▪ Right to return (esp. to get belongings)
   - Final Product:
     o Fold-out brochure (that can be hung up)
       ▪ Health effects
       ▪ Clean up
         • What materials are needed
         • Where to get materials
       ▪ Contact Information
         • Experts
         • Stores
     o Tenants’ Rights brochure
   - Students’ Summer Work
     o A number of students have developed individual grant proposals for the summer:
       ▪ Environmental Center
       ▪ Public education on toxicity
       ▪ Environmental Education
     o Graduate Student Council Grants:
       ▪ Lafitte Corridor project work
   o Group proposal:
     ▪ Pairs of students visit New Orleans on consecutive weekends coordinating “train the trainers” workshops

2. Housing Group, Part 1
   - Information Sheets:
     o Tenants’ Rights
     o Insurance
     o Limited Equity Coops and Community Land Trusts translated into a form on community building
     o Legal Sheet:
- Criminal Justice
  - Contact to Louisiana group that assists people who are not getting the legal help they need
    - Contact someone working on housing and re-entry of the prison population
- Tenants’ Rights
  - Insurance Rights
  - Services cheat sheet
    - Direct services organizations that Ujaama can partner with
  - Community Organizing
    - Story project
      - Stories of how people have helped each other

3. Housing Group Part 2
   - Acquisition and Financing Strategy
     - Map of blighted/adjudicated/schools/HUD-owned/City-owned properties.
       - Identified property clusters
       - Identified neighborhood investors
     - Will focus on one block in particular for the strategy
       - Will look at owner-occupied vs. not
       - Will identify potential acquisition properties
       - Will come up with programming and financing strategy