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DETERMINATION OF REGIONAL MEDIAN INCOME CHADWICK 7-COUNTY COMMUTERSHED REGION \*

County	Median House- hold Income	No. of Households	e Aggregate House: het Income (\$000
Hunterdon	# 24 382	11,902	# 290, 196
Mercer	#22,918	71,839	1646421
Middlesex	#24,217	169,847	4,113,142
Monnouth	#-22,380	143,376	3,208,783
Morris	\$ 26,245	126,976	\$ 3,332,537
Somerset	\$ 26,243	67,101	1,760,933
Union	\$ 24, 155	116,642	2,817,483
Totals		707,683	17, 169, 495
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 $\frac{17,169,495,000}{707,683} = 124,262$ 

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# I. INTRODUCTION

This report estimates the "fair share" allocations of present and prospective regional low and moderate income housing which must be provided for by Franklin Township in Somerset County, New Jersey.

The methodology used to determine this fair share allocation is based on a consensus reached by the planners involved in <u>Urban</u> <u>League of Greater New Brunswick v. Carteret</u> at the request of Judge Eugene D. Serpentelli. This methodology was developed to establish consistency in determining the most appropriate region and fair share numbers for specific municipalities, and combines a wide variety of expert opinion concerning data sources, estimating techniques and assumptions. Although the results of the consensus methodology may require adjustment under given circumstances, the methodology is generally well-conceived and reasonable.

This fair share plan conforms to the definitions and methodological guidelines contained in the recent New Jersey Supreme Court Decision, <u>So. Burlington NAACP et.al. v. Township</u> of <u>Mt. Laurel</u>, 92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 (1983), referred to hereinafter as <u>Mount Laurel II</u>. This decision reaffirmed and refined the doctrine, first articulated by the Supreme Court in its 1975 decision in the same case, that municipalities like Mt. Laurel must "affirmatively afford" the opportunity for decent and adequate low and moderate income housing, "at least to the · extent of the municipality's fair share of the present and prospective regional need therefor", 67 <u>N.J.</u> 151 (1975) at 174 (hereinafter referred to as <u>Mount Laurel I</u>).

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The determination of municipal fair share allocations involves three basic steps:

- identification of the relevant fair share housing region or regions.
- calculation of present and prospective housing needs of low and moderate income households in the region(s).
- allocation of these needs to the municipalities within the region(s) based upon predetermined criteria.

These three steps are outlined below using the consensus methodology. While major assumptions and justifications are generally noted, a more detailed discussion of the consensus methodology is contained in the <u>Fair Share Report</u> prepared by Carla Lerman for the <u>Carteret</u> case, dated April 2, 1984.

# II. DEFINITION OF REGION

A fair share allocation region is a geographic area within which low and moderate income housing need is quantified and distributed to municipalities in an equitable and rational manner. Each municipality must meet both its present and prospective need. The major considerations leading to quantification and distribution differ, however, with respect to present and prospective need. Consequently, two separate regions - a prospective need region and a present need region are used to determine a municipality's fair share allocation.

## A. DEFINING THE FAIR SHARE REGION: PROSPECTIVE NEED

A municipality's relevant fair share region for determining prospective need must encompass the housing market area within which low and moderate income households seeking shelter would be expected to locate if affordable housing were available. The Supreme Court, in <u>Mount Laurel II</u>, reaffirming its previous decision in <u>Oakwood at Madison</u>, <u>Inc. v. Twp. of Madison</u>, defined region as

that general area which constitutes, more or less, the housing market area of which the subject municipality is a part and, from which the prospective population of the municipality would substantially be drawn in the absence of exclusionary zoning.\*

The most important determinant of residential location is accessibility to employment opportunities, and thus the composition of the relevant region depends primarily on the location of actual and prospective employment centers and the availability of transportation facilities. Low and moderate income households can be expected to seek housing

\* 92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 at 256, quoting 72 <u>N.J.</u> at 537.

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readily accessible to their jobs. Accordingly, the area within 30 minutes driving time from a municipality approximates its prospective need region. This area is known as the municipality's "commutershed".

The report prepared by planners involved in <u>Urban League of</u> <u>New Brunswick v. Carteret</u> for Judge Serpentelli established the following objective standards for determining prospective need commutershed regions:

- measurement of a municipality's commutershed will be from the municipality's approximate center;
- 2) the commutershed will be based on a 30-minute driving time measured at the following speeds: -- 30 miles per hour on local and county roads; -- 40 miles per hour on state and federal highways; and -- 50 miles per hour on interstates, the Garden State Parkway and New Jersey Turnpike
- 3) the entirety of any county entered within the 30-minute driving time will be considered part of the commutershed region for prospective need allocation.

The third criterion ensures that reliable data is available from standard sources. In particular, reliable population projections are not prepared for any geographic area smaller than whole counties.

The 30-minute commutershed for Franklin Township encompasses Somerset, Middlesex, Mercer, Hunterdon, Union and Monmouth Counties. These counties constitute the prospective fair share region for Franklin.

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In contrast to prospective need, the major consideration in the determination of present need concerns <u>existing</u> housing conditions. The Supreme Court, in <u>Mt. Laurel II</u>, stated that:

All municipalities' land use regulations will be required to provide a realistic opportunity for the construction of their fair share of the region's dilapidated or overcrowded lower income units, including their own. Municipalities located in "growth areas" may, of course, have an obligation to meet the present need of the region that goes far beyond that generated in the municipality itself; there may be some municipalities, however, in growth areas where the portion of the region's present need generated by that municipality far exceeds the municipality's fair share. The portion of the region's present need that must be addressed by municipalities in growth areas will depend, then, on conventional fair share analysis, some municipalities' fair share being more than the present need generated within the municipality and in some cases less.\*

In essence, the court postulates that a present need fair share region integrate the older urban core areas that are burdened by high levels of indigenous need and the less developed newer suburban areas that offer the resources to accommodate that need. In light of this, the following present need regions have been defined:

Region 1: Bergen, Passaic, Sussex, Morris, Essex, Hudson, Warren, Hunterdon, Somerset, Union and Middlesex Counties;

Region 2: Mercer, Burlington, Camden and Gloucester Counties

\* 92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 at 243.

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Region 3: Monmouth and Ocean Counties; and Region 4: Atlantic, Cumberland, Cape May and Salem Counties.

Franklin Township falls within the present need region for the northern half of the state, or Region 1.

# III. DETERMINATION OF PROSPECTIVE NEED

## A. INTRODUCTION

In <u>Mount Laurel I</u> and <u>II</u> the Supreme Court set forth a "municipal obligation to provide a realistic opportunity for a fair share of the region's present and prospective low and moderate income housing need".\* However, prospective need is only defined as "the number of units...needed for a reasonable period of time in the future".\*\*

For the purpose of this fair share plan a ten-year period (1980 to 1990) appears to be most appropriate. While past allocation plans have often projected housing need for a twenty-year period, the reliability of such projections decreases rapidly with increasing time. It appears that a more sensible approach is to make shorter-term projections which are then updated as soon as new baseline data becomes available. In practical terms, the next opportunity to obtain a detailed picture of regional housing conditions and needs will be after the next Census is undertaken in 1990. The most recent existing data was collected in 1980. Thus, the ten-year period between these two dates was used.

A time frame ending in 1990 also makes sense as a reasonable planning horizon for municipalities seeking to adjust their land use regulations to provide for low and moderate income housing needs. The New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law mandates re-examination of each municipality's land development regulations at least every six years.\*\*\* A

- 92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 at 205.
- \*\* <u>Id.</u> at 215.
- \*\*\* <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:55D-89.

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housing need projection to 1990 leaves a full six-year period prior to the next required re-examination of such ordinances.

The future need for low and moderate income housing is largely determined by the rate at which new low and moderate income households are formed or migrate to the region.\* This, in turn, is largely a function of population growth, although many other variables, such as the age distribution of the population, marriage and divorce rates, family composition, social forces, employment patterns and the availability of housing all contribute to determine the number of households.

#### B. PROJECTED POPULATION AND HOUSEHOLD CHANGE

Relatively sophisticated county population projections for 1990 have recently been prepared by the New Jersey Department of Labor.\*\* In addition to total numbers of persons expected to reside in each county in 1990, estimates of the numbers of persons by sex and age group have been calculated.

\* The Census defines "household" as all the persons who occupy a housing unit. Thus, by definition, there is a one-to-one relationship between the number of households and the number of housing units needed.

\*\* Office of Demographic and Economic Analysis, Division of Planning and Research, N.J. Department of Labor, <u>New Jersey</u> <u>Revised Total and Age & Sex Population Projections</u> (1985-2000), July 1983. Separate sets of projections were generated by four different models of future growth patterns. Two models (the ODEA Economic/Demographic and ODEA Demographic Cohort) are "preferred" by the Department of Labor as theoretically superior to the other two "regression" models. Both ODEA models are "cohort-component method" projections, however the Economic/Demographic model differs from the Demographic Cohort method in that migration of persons 65 years of age and under is computed based upon projected labor market conditions rather than on the basis of migration trends during the previous decade.\*

As the two models project ranges of future population change, they have been combined to avoid extremities in the projections. This composite is achieved by taking the average of the two models for each age cohort. The total number of households is then derived by multiplying each of these age cohorts by the expected percentage of persons in the cohort who will be heads of households, or a "headship" rate.\*\*

This method is used on a county-by-county basis for all those counties in the commutershed region to obtain the base number of households in the region. In the Franklin Township commutershed region the total number of households in 1990 is projected to be 901,584. This number represents an increase of 155,071 new households over 1980 (see Table 1).

 See <u>Id.</u> pp. 1-8 for a full discussion of the assumptions and methodologies used to generate these two sets of projections.

\*\* This technique uses the methodology developed by the Rutgers Center for Urban Policy Research in <u>Mount Laurel II.</u> Challenge and Delivery of Low-Cost Housing.

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# TABLE 1

# PROJECTED MT. LAUREL HOUSEHOLDS, 1990, BY COUNTY FRANKLIN'S COMMUTERSHED REGION

	1990		1980				Mt. Laurel
County	Households	Minus	Households	х	.394	=	Households
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Somerset	89,681	-	67,368	x	.394	=	8,791
Middlesex	245,989	-	196,708	x	.394	=	19,417
Mercer	118,997	· _	105,819	x	. 394	=	5,192
Hunterdon	37,857	-	28,515	x	.394	=	3,680
Union	194,487	-	177,973	x	.394	=	6,506
Monmouth	214,573	-	170,130	x	. 394	=	17,510
TOTAL	901,584	-	746,513	x	.394	=	61,096

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## C. PROJECTED LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLD GROWTH

The projected share of low and moderate income households is based upon the current proportion of low and moderate income households in the State of New Jersey. Low-income households are defined as those households with incomes no greater than 50% of the median household income for the state. Moderate income households are those households with incomes that do not exceed 80%, and are no less than 50% of the statewide median. In New Jersey, 39.4% of the households are classified as low or moderate income households. The number of new low and moderate income households for the commutershed region can therefore be projected by multiplying the total number of new households by 39.4%. In Franklin's commutershed region, there will be an estimated 61,096 new low and moderate income households by 1990 (see Table 1).

# IV. ALLOCATION OF PROSPECTIVE NEED

The <u>Mount Laurel II</u> decision requires that the housing allocation process be tied to the concept land use maps contained in the <u>State Development Guide Plan</u> (SDGP).\* These designate "Growth Areas" (including entire municipalities and portions of municipalities) "where accessibility to employment and services make them particularly suitable for development".\*\* The SDGP's three other major land use categories (limited growth, conservation and agricultural) are collectively referred to as "non-growth" areas by the <u>Mount Laurel II</u> decision, although the <u>Guide Plan</u> recognizes that it is neither desirable nor feasible to limit <u>all</u> future development to growth areas.

As a means of channelling development of low and moderate income housing to the most suitable locations in the state, the Supreme Court decided that "in non-growth areas...no municipality will have to provide for more than the present need generated within the municipality, for to require more than that would be to induce growth in that municipality in conflict with the SDGP".\*\*\*

- Division of Planning, New Jersey Dept. of Community Affairs, May 1980.
- \*\* Id., p. 47. According to the <u>Plan</u> these areas were delineated using the following criteria: location within or adjacent to major population and/or employment centers; location within or in proximity to existing major water supply and sewer service areas; location within or in proximity to areas served by major highway and commuter rail facilities; absence of large concentrations of agricultural land; and absence of large blocks of public open space or environmentally-sensitive land.

\*\*\* 92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 at 244.

Regarding the appropriate criteria to use in allocating regional housing need to eligible municipalities, <u>Mount Laurel II</u> says only the following:

Formulas that accord substantial weight to employment opportunities in the municipality, especially new employment accompanied by substantial ratables, shall be favored; formulas that have the effect of tying prospective lower income residents to the total population of a municipality shall be disfavored; formulas that have the effect of unreasonably diminishing the share because of a municipality's successful exclusion of lower income housing in the past shall be disfavored.\*

The planners in the <u>Carteret</u> case agreed that availability of land, employment opportunities, recent job growth and the economic status of the municipal population are relevant considerations in allocating prospective housing need. Four allocation criteria were selected by the group as indicators of these considerations.

- 1) municipal employment growth as a percentage of commutershed employment growth for the period 1972 to 1982
- 2) present (1982) municipal employment as a percentage of present (1982) commutershed employment
- 3) municipal land in the growth area as a percentage of commutershed land in the growth area
- 4) municipal median household income as a percentage of median household income in the commutershed.

Municipalities with no land in State Development Guide Plan "Growth Areas" are exempt from an obligation to provide for the prospective regional housing need under the <u>Mount Laurel II</u> decision. In addition, there was a consensus that many of the state-designated "Urban Aid" municipalities should be exempt by virtue of their already considerable housing burdens.

\* 92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 at 256.

Employment in non-growth areas\* and selected urban aid cities\*\* must therefore be deducted from the commutershed totals (see Tables 2 and 3). Similarly, the urban aid cities must be deducted from the commutershed totals for land in the growth area (see Table 4).

These three adjusted factors (employment growth, current employment and land in the growth area) are then averaged to establish a preliminary allocation percentage. After this preliminary allocation factor is derived, the ratio of the municipality's median household income to the median income in the region is multiplied by the preliminary allocation factor to establish a "wealth factor". The wealth factor reflects municipalities' previous land use practices. A municipality which has not been exclusionary in its zoning will generally have a lower median household income than one which has been exclusionary and should therefore receive a smaller proportion of the prospective need allocation. The wealth factor is then averaged with the other three factors to develop the final composite allocation factor. This factor is in turn multiplied by the number of projected 1990 households in the commutershed to determine the preliminary prospective need for each municipality.

Over and above this preliminary prospective need, municipalities also need to accommodate the excess prospective need of communities without adequate vacant land to accommodate their allocations. A 20 percent factor is used to anticipate the need for such a reallocation. Although a more desirable procedure would use the actual amount of vacant developable land, the 20% factor has been substituted for two reasons: (1) the amount of vacant developable land is not readily available from any

\* See Appendix 1.

\*\* See Appendix 2.

# TABLE 2

# TOTAL COVERED EMPLOYMENT, 1982, BY COUNTY

# FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMUTERSHED

County	1982 Covered Employment	Deduct Employment in Non-Growth <u>Areas</u>	Deduct Employment in Urban Aid Cities (Selected)	Total For Presend Need Allocation Formula
Somerset	82,891	161	0	82,730
Middlesex	240,794	0	32,322	208,472
Mercer	109,951	1,225	23,624	85,102
Hunterdon	20,465	6,987	0	13,478
Union	225,505	0	61,124	164,381
Monmouth	131,074	4,333	14,246	112,495
TOTAL	810,680	12,706	131,316	666,658

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EMPLOYMENT GROWTH, 1972 - 1982, BY COUNTY

# FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMUTERSHED

County	1972 Covered Employment (Excluding Employment in Non-Growth Areas & Urban Aid Cities)	1982 Covered Employment (Excluding Employment in Non-Growth Areas & Urban Aid Cities)	Covered Employment Growth 1972-1982 (Excluding Employment in Non-Growth Areas & Urban Aid Cities)
Somerset	56,942	82,730	25,788
Middlesex	141,251	208,472	67,221
Mercer	61,570	85,102	23,532
Hunterdon	9,066	13,478	4,412
Union	149,277	164,381	15,104
Monmouth	77,598	112,495	34,897
TOTAL	495,704	666,658	170,954

# TABLE 4

# STATE DEVELOPMENT GUIDE PLAN: GROWTH AREA BY COUNTY, IN ACRES FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP COMMUTERSHED

County	Growth Area	Deduct Growth Area in Urban Aid Cities	Net Total Growth Area for <u>Reallocation Formula</u>
Somerset	100,455	0	100,455
Middlesex	154,110	6,432	147,678
Mercer	105,086	4,800	109,286
Hunterdon	26,759	0	26,759
Union	65 <b>,</b> 875	13,050	52,825
Monmouth	156,624	4,832	151,792
TOTAL	608,909	29,114	579,795

reliable and easily accessible source, and (2) the 20% factor is of a magnitude similar to vacant land reallocation that occurred in 1978, the last time accurate vacant land data was available.

The allocation must also be increased by a vacancy factor to ensure market mobility. Generally, vacancy rates of 5.0% for rental housing and 1.5% for sales housing are considered adequate. As the construction of sales housing appears to be increasing at a greater rate than rental housing, an adequate vacancy rate for those two types has been determined to be approximately 3 percent. Thus, a 103 percent multiplier is used to derive the final prospective allocation number.

Table 5 calculates the preliminary prospective need allocation for Franklin Township. The most recent available employment figures reveal that there are 11,653 covered jobs in Franklin (col. 1). This constitutes 1.75% of the total number of jobs in the region (col. 3). The number of covered jobs in Franklin increased by 8,052 from 1972 to 1983 (col. 4). This represents 4.71 percent of the region's job growth over the same period (col. 6). Franklin was also found to have 14,330 acres of land in the growth area (col. 7) which represents 2.47% of the region's land in the growth area (col. 9).

The percentages in columns 3, 6 and 9 serve as the three preliminary allocation factors. Since each is given equal weight, they are averaged to derive a preliminary composite allocation factor of 2.98%, shown in column 10.

Table 5A demonstrates how the wealth factor affects the derivation of the preliminary composite factor. Because Franklin's median family income of \$27,759 (col. 1) represents 87.8 percent of the median income in the region (col. 3), this percentage is multiplied by the preliminary composite factor to obtain a wealth factor of 2.61% (col. 5). This percentage is

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## TABLE 5

#### FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

#### PROSPECTIVE ALLOCATION FACTOR

1	982 Employ	Employme	Employment Growth, 1972-1982			Growth A:	rea (Acres)		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
<u>Franklin</u>	Region	Franklin as % of Region	Franklin	<u>Region</u>	Franklin as % of Region	<u>Franklin</u>	Region	Franklin as % of Region	Preliminary Composite Factor (Percentage Average of Factors)
11,653	666,658	1.75	8,052	170,954	4.71	14,330	579,795	2.47	2.98

#### TABLE 5A

#### WEALTH FACTOR

(1)	(2)	(3) Franklin as		(4) Preliminary Composite		(5)	(6) Composite Factor (Percentage
<u>Franklin</u>	Region	% of Region	х	Factor	=	Wealth Factor	Average including Wealth Factor
27,759	31,609	.8782		2.98		2.61	2.89

then given the same weight as the other three factors (see Table 5, cols. 3, 6 and 9) such that the average of the four factors yields a final composite factor of 2.89% (col. 6).

The final composite factor is multiplied by the projected regional low and moderate income housing need of 61,096 units, shown in Table 6. This calculation results in a prospective need of 1,765 units (col. 3). In order to accommodate the unmet need of those municipalities with insufficient vacant land, the reallocation of a total of 353 units brings the prospective need to 2,118 units (col. 4). Finally, when the vacancy factor is added, this figure is increased by another 64 units (col. 5), yielding a total of 2,182 units. This represents Franklin's total prospective need for the period 1980 to 1990.

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## PROSPECTIVE NEED: FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP



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# V. DETERMINATION AND ALLOCATION OF PRESENT NEED

#### A. <u>REGIONAL PRESENT NEED DETERMINATION</u>

Indigenous need refers to a municipality's obligation to correct its existing substandard housing situation. All municipalities - except those which have indigenous housing needs in excess of the overall standard of housing deficiencies in the region (see Table 7) - must meet their indigenous housing needs. They must also accommodate the reallocated indigenous need of those municipalities with excess housing needs.

The indigenous housing need within a region is computed based upon three criteria: overcrowding (more than 1.01 persons per room), units lacking complete plumbing for exclusive use of the occupants, and units lacking adequate heat. The sum of these deficiencies represents the total number of substandard units in the region. According to Tri-State Regional Planning Commission studies, approximately 82% of the region's substandard units are occupied by lower income households. Therefore, it is assumed that the total number of substandard units in the region multiplied by 82% approximates the number of substandard units in the region occupied by low and moderate income households. The proportion of substandard units occupied by low and moderate income households divided by the total number of occupied units in the region represents the percentage of substandard units occupied by low and moderate income households, referred to as the regional standard. All municipalities whose proportion of deficient housing units occupied by low and moderate income households exceeds the regional standard do not have to meet whatever surplus needs they may have. Instead, this surplus need is

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# Table 7

# SUBSTANDARD HOUSING UNITS: INDIGENOUS NEED, BY COUNTY, 1980

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			Units	Units		Substandard Mt. Laurel	Substandard Mt. Laurel
County	Total Occupied <u>Units</u>	Over- crowded	Lacking Complete <u>Plumbing</u>	Lacking Adequate Heating	Total Substandard Units	Households (total x 82	Households of Total Occu- pied Units
Bergen	300,410	6,017	3,211	3,029	12,257	10,051	3.3
Essex	300,303	19,479	7,114	7,736	34,329	28,150	9.4
Hudson	207 <b>,8</b> 59	15,117	7,025	7,721	29,863	24,488	11.8
Hunterdon	28,515	425	345	1,172	1,942	1,592	5.6
Middlesex	196,708	5,708	2,406	1,862	9,976	8,180	4.2
Morris	131,820	2,169	848	1,738	4,755	3,899	3.0
Passaic	153,463	8,028	3,100	5,007	16,135	13,231	8.6
Somerset	67,368	1,146	554	630	2,330	1,911	2.8
Sussex	37,221	796	337	1,686	2,819	2,312	6.2
Union	177,973	6,131	2,350	2,348	10,829	8,880	5.0
Warren	29,406	518	444	1,090	2,052	1,683	5.7
Total:	1,631,044	65,534	27,734	34,019	127,287	104,377	6.4

reallocated among eligible municipalities in the region whose proportion of units occupied by low and moderate income households is below the regional standard.

Table 7 indicates that the regional standard for low and moderate income households is 6.4%. Using this figure, the total unmet need among municipalities with surpluses is 35,014 units. This excess need must be reallocated to eligible municipalities in the region, which includes Franklin Township.

## B. ALLOCATION OF PRESENT NEED

1. REALLOCATED NEED

The formula for the reallocation of the surplus need combines three factors:

- municipal employment as a percentage of total employment in the present need region (1982);
- (2) municipal land in the growth area as a percentage of total growth area land in the present need region; and;
- (3) municipal median household income as a percentage of total median household income in the present need region.

In order to attain a composite factor among the three outlined above, the employment in non-growth and urban aid cities must first be deducted from the regional totals and the urban aid cities must be deducted from the regional total for land in the growth area. These two adjusted factors are averaged to establish the preliminary allocation factor. This preliminary factor is multiplied by the municipality's median household income ratio to ascertain the wealth factor. The wealth factor is then combined and averaged with the preliminary allocation factor to produce the present need allocation factor.

The present need allocation factor is multiplied by the regional surplus to determine the municipality's share of the reallocation. In order for municipalities to adjust gradually to this lower income population redistribution, their reallocations will be staged over three six-year periods. The share to be met by a municipality by 1990, therefore, is the total allocation divided by three. As with the prospective need, reallocations must be made to accommodate the needs of municipalities without sufficient land and to insure an adequate vacancy rate for market mobility before deriving the final reallocation number.

Table 8 shows the calculation of Franklin's present need composite allocation factor. Franklin's 11,653 covered jobs (col. 1) constitute .936% of the total number of jobs with the present need region (col. 3). Franklin's 14,330 acres of growth area (col. 4) represents 2.05% of the present need region's total growth area lands (col. 6). These two percentages are averaged to obtain the preliminary allocation factor of 1.493% (col. 7).

Table 8A derives the wealth factor. Franklin's median family income of \$27,759 (col. 1) represents 90.32% of the region's median family income (col. 3). This income relationship is then multiplied by the preliminary composite factor, which yields a wealth factor of

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# TABLE 8

# FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP PRESENT NEED ALLOCATION FACTOR

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
<u>Franklin</u>	Region	Franklin as % of Region	Franklin	Region	Franklin as % of Region	Preliminary Composite Allocation Factor
11,653	1,244,632	.936	14,330	699,163	2.050	1.493

# TABLE 8A

# WEALTH FACTOR

Med	ian Family	Income	Preliminary Composite				Composite
Franklin	Region	Franklin as % of Region	Allocation Factor	= <u>Wealth Factor</u>		Allocation Factor (inc. Wealth Factor)	
\$27 <b>,</b> 759	\$30,735	90.32	1.493	1.	. 3485		1.445

1.3485% (col. 5). This percentage is given the same weight as the other two factors (see Table 8, cols. 3 and 6) by taking the average of the three factors. This calculation results in a final composite factor of 1.445% (col. 6, Table 8A).

Table 9 shows the calculation of the prospective need. The composite factor multiplied by the regional excess (col. 1) equals Franklin's share of the reallocation. In order to allow for the gradual phasing of these households, Franklin is only required to meet one-third of this need by 1990. Its present reallocation need to 1990 is therefore 169 units (see col. 4). The reallocations necessary to accommodate the excess from municipalities without sufficient vacant land (col. 5) and to ensure market mobility (col. 6) are then added to increase this number to 208 units. This represents Franklin's share of the reallocated excess need to be met by 1990.

## 2. INDIGENOUS NEED

In addition to accommodating its fair share of the reallocated excess present need in the region, Franklin must accommodate the present lower income housing need within its own borders, also known as its indigenous need. Table 10 quantifies Franklin's indigenous need based on three indicators or deficient conditions. The Township's deficient units include 135 occupied housing units without complete plumbing, 100 occupied housing units with no or inadequate heat, and 214 occupied housing units that are overcrowded (more than 1.01 persons per room). In total, the Township has 449

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# TABLE 9

# REALLOCATED NEED: FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

	(1) Reallocated Excess in Region	(2) Composite Allocation x Factor	 (3) Share of <u>Reallocation</u>	(4) Share to be Met by 1990 ((3)÷3)	(5) Reallocation Allowance (x 1.2)	(6) Vacancy Allowance (x 1.03)
Franklin	35,014	1.445	506	169	202	208

# TABLE 10

## FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP: INDIGENOUS NEED

	Total Occupied Year-Round Housing Units	Without Complete Plumbing	With No or Inadequate Heat	Overcrowded Units	Total Substandard Units	Units Occupied By Low & Mod. Income Households (x .82)	Total Indigenous Need
Franklin	10,040	135	100	214	449	368	368

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substandard units. Low and moderate income households occupy an estimated 82% of these units. Thus, Franklin's indigenous need is 368 units.

# 3. TOTAL PRESENT NEED

Franklin's total present need to be met by 1990 includes its share of the region's allocated surplus and its own indigenous need. Therefore, when the 368 indigenous need units are added to the Township's share of the reallocated excess to be met by 1990, Franklin's total present need is 576 units.

# VI, FRANKLIN'S FAIR SHARE ZONING OBLIGATION

Franklin Township's total lower income housing allocation is 2,758 units, including 2,182 units to meet prospective housing needed between 1980 and 1990, and 576 units to meet present housing needs as of 1980. According to the <u>Mount Laurel II</u> decision the total allocation must be provided for by Franklin's land use regulations. Ideally, this number of lower income units will be constructed by 1990 to meet the identified housing needs.

The <u>Mount Laurel II</u> decision indicates that rezoning to meet indigenous and allocated present housing needs should occur immediately, whereas provision for prospective lower income households may be met by a "phase-in" over the period encompassed by the fair share plan.\* However, because the most recent Census was in 1980, the housing need calculations in this plan are already 4 years old. Unless 40 percent of the total number of needed lower income housing units have already been provided between 1980 and 1984, it appears only reasonable that all or most of the prospective zoning obligation should be met immediately, in addition to immediate provision for present needed lower income units.

Although Franklin recently took a step towards meeting this obligation by approving 400 low and moderate income units as part of the Field Society Hill PUD off Route 27 south of Claremont Road, the Township's land use regulations must be ' revised in order to make possible the provision of its entire fair share obligation.

\* 92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 at 219.

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VII. OTHER INDICATORS OF FRANKLIN'S OBLIGATION UNDER MT. LAUREL II

## A. UNAVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Another indication of the need for affirmative measures to provide for low and moderate income housing in Franklin is the current unavailability of units affordable to these income groups. The <u>Mount Laurel II</u> decision defines "affordable" housing to mean that households must pay no more than 25% of their income for such dwellings.\*

Applying this definition to the current income ranges for low and moderate income households in the Somerset County area (as determined by the Department of Housing and Urban Development), Table 11 shows the maximum monthly shelter costs which can be afforded by households with one to six persons. These range from under \$238 per month for a one-person low-income household up to a maximum of \$591 per month for a six-person household at the top of the moderate income group.

In Franklin the most affordable housing, in terms of monthly cost, is offered by the Township's considerable stock of rental apartments.\*\* Most of these are located in several large developments constructed since 1970. With one exception, however, these developments do not contain any apartments with more than 1 or 2 bedrooms. Consequently, they do not provide an adequate housing opportunity for households with more than four persons, such as families with children.

92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 at 221, footnote 8.

\*\* Approximately 28.5% of Franklin's housing, or 2,866 units, were occupied by renters in 1980.

## TABLE 11

# ANNUAL INCOMES AND MAXIMUM MONTHLY SHELTER COSTS LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSEHOLDS NEWARK SMSA\*, 1983

	Low-Income	Households	Moderate-Incom	e Households
Household Size	Annual Income (1983)	Max. Monthly Shelter Costs**	Annual Income * <u>(1983)</u>	Max. Monthly Shelter Costs**
l-Person	Below \$11,450	Below \$238	\$11,450-\$17,650	\$238 - \$368
2-Person	Below \$13,100	Below \$273	\$13,100-\$20,150	\$273 - \$420
3-Person	Below \$14,700	Below \$306	\$14,700-\$22,700	\$306 - \$473
4-Person	Below \$16,350	Below \$341	\$16,350-\$25,200	\$341-\$525
5-Person	Below \$17,650	Below \$368	\$17,650-\$26,750	\$368 - \$557
6-Person	Below \$18,950	Below \$395	\$18,950-\$28,350	\$395 - \$591

- \* For most federal statistical purposes currently Franklin Township is included in the Newark Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) which incorporates Essex, Morris, Union and Somerset Counties.
- \*\* Assuming no more than 25% of gross household income is devoted to housing (excluding utilities)

SOURCE: Newark Area Office, U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development Section 8 Income Limits effective March 1, 1983.

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The current asking rents for apartments in Franklin are presented in Table 12. Although the lowest rents are offered at Edgemere Gardens, the demand for units there frequently exceeds the supply. Despite being located in an area with older, deteriorating housing, Edgemere consistently has a waiting list and very often does not accept additional applications.

The majority of the other projects have substantially higher rents. The asking rents for one-bedroom apartments range from \$450 to \$530 per month. This range clearly exceeds the reach of low-income households, and is beyond that of 2-person moderate income households and most 3-person moderate income households.

The affordability picture is even more dismal for two-bedroom apartments. While the lowest rents are at Franklin-Hamilton Gardens, which charges \$383 per month, the normal range is from \$500 to \$710 per month. This is way beyond the means of low income households and would burden most moderate income families, including 4-person households.

In conclusion, Franklin's present housing stock does not appear to offer any units affordable to lower income households. For those existing apartments whose rents would be affordable to lower income households the demand so far exceeds the supply that rental applications are no longer being accepted. Except for a few smaller-sized units affordable to households at the upper limit of the moderate income range, the rest of the apartments in Franklin have rents that exceed the available resources of low and moderate income households. Moreover, Franklin does not offer rental apartments <u>at all</u> for larger households.

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## TABLE 12

# ASKING RENTS AT APARTMENT PROJECTS IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP\*

Name of Project	# OF Units	Efficiency	1-Bedroom	2-Bedroom	3-Bedroom
Franklin Greens	648	\$440	\$470-\$520**	\$565-\$570	_
Easton North	212	-	\$450	\$560	_
Douglas Gardens	188	-	\$450	\$550	_
Somerset Mews	508	-	\$438	\$528	-
Carriage Run	160	-	\$490-\$640	\$590-\$710	_
Hempstead Gardens	599	<b>-</b> .	\$450-\$460	\$500-\$510	-
Edgemere	398	· –	-	\$315	\$383
Franklin-Hamilton Gardens	80	_	\$332	\$383	. –
Harrison Towers	315	\$372-\$380	\$472-\$530	\$650-\$700	_

Rents exclude all utilities unless otherwise noted.

\* As of November 17, 1983.

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\*\* Includes heat and hot water but tenant pays for electricity.

SOURCE: Franklin Township Rent Leveling Board.

Clearly, there is an unmet need for low and moderate income housing units of all sizes and affordable to households earning well below the maximum for moderate income households. Provision of multi-family housing that is not affordable to low and moderate income households, even if less expensive than other housing types, does not adequately address Franklin's obligation under <u>Mount Laurel II</u>.

# B. <u>IMBALANCE BETWEEN EMPLOYMENT-GENERATING ZONES AND RESIDEN-</u> <u>TIAL ZONING</u>

One of the underlying principles of both the <u>Mount Laurel I</u> and <u>Mount Laurel II</u> decisions is that municipalities must zone to permit housing for low and moderate income persons presently working or expected to work within its borders. Thus, in <u>Mount Laurel I</u> the Supreme Court states that, "certainly when a municipality zones for industry and commerce for local tax benefit purposes, it without question must zone to permit adequate housing within the means of the employees involved in such areas". The decision found that the community had "over-zoned" for industry in order to benefit the local tax rate without providing zones in which low and moderate income industrial workers could afford to live.

A similar situation exists in Franklin Township. Approximately 7,650 acres, or over one-quarter of the Township, is zoned for commercial activities, industry or offices and research laboratories, yet there is no adequate provision for housing which is affordable to the low and moderate income employees who can be expected to work in these zones. In recent years Franklin has successfully sought and encouraged economic growth and job formation. Between 1970 and 1982 the number of private covered jobs in the Township increased by nearly 225%, from 3,601 to 11,653. Franklin continues to encourage and attract new economic development. In the first three months of 1984, for example, the Township approved 864,330 square feet of new office and commercial space.

Currently, over 6,400 acres of vacant land in Franklin is zoned for commercial, industrial and office uses. Using a highly conservative employment density factor of 7.5 workers per gross acre, development of this land would generate a total of nearly 50,000 jobs in Franklin. Even if only 20% of these jobs employed low and moderate income persons, approximately 10,000 lower income units would result. Yet, Franklin's residential land use regulations do not allow the provision of housing for this population. VIII. ANALYSIS OF FRANKLIN'S ZONING IN LIGHT OF MT. LAUREL II STANDARDS

#### A. THE MOUNT LAUREL II DIRECTIVES

In the <u>Mount Laurel II</u> decision the Supreme Court held that each municipality in New Jersey must provide a realistic opportunity for construction of its fair share of low and moderate income housing. A municipality's "bona fide attempt to provide a realistic opportunity" is not sufficient. Only if a municipality has <u>in fact</u> provided a realistic opportunity for construction of its fair share has it met the <u>Mount Laurel</u> obligation.

The decision sets forth a series of actions which municipalities must take in order to satisfy their <u>Mount</u> <u>Laurel</u> responsibilities. These are meant to be implemented in concert to the extent necessary to make the construction of low and moderate income housing realistically possible.

The court's first directive is for municipalities to "remove all municipally created barriers to the construction of lower income housing", including "zoning and subdivision restrictions and exactions that are not necessary to protect health and safety". An appropriate set of standards for such housing is the Department of Housing and Urban Development's <u>Minimum Property Standards</u>. Any provisions which exceed these minimums, and thereby generate unnecessary costs, violate the Supreme Court's directive to provide realistic opportunity for construction of lower income housing.

Unless removal of excessive restrictions, by itself, creates the housing opportunities called for, the court directs each

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municipality to take <u>affirmative</u> steps to make the opportunity for lower income housing a real one. The <u>Mount</u> <u>Laurel II</u> decision notes that "satisfaction of the <u>Mount</u> <u>Laurel</u> doctrine cannot depend on the inclination of developers to help the poor", but has to be assured by "affirmative inducements".\* The court identifies two categories of affirmative measures municipalities must take:

- encouraging or requiring the use of available state or federal housing subsidies, and
- (2) providing incentives for or requiring private developers to set aside a portion of their developments for lower income housing.\*\*

The court recognizes that presently housing subsidies are in extremely short supply and therefore turns to the second category of affirmative measures under the heading "inclusionary zoning devices". These consist of two basic strategies which may be combined and modified.

- <u>Incentive Zoning</u> whereby an added increment of development density is granted to builders in return for their participation in a lower income housing program.
- (2) <u>Mandatory Set-Asides</u> which require that a given percentage of units in new developments be made affordable to low and moderate income households.

The combination of a developer set-aside with an appreciable density bonus is one of the most promising sources of new lower income housing. However, the elimination of all

92 <u>N.J.</u> at 261.

\*\* 92 <u>N.J.</u> at 262.

unnecessary development restrictions is a prerequisite for such a mechanism

#### B. <u>SUMMARY OF ZONE PROVISIONS</u>

Franklin's zoning designates a total of 16 zones as follows:

R-R	Rural-Residential
R-A	Rural-Agricultural
R-40 & R-40(1)	Residential
R-20	Residential
R-15	Residential
R-10	Residential
R-7	Residential
B-1	Regional Business
B-2	General Business
в-3	Neighborhood Business
H-D	Highway Development
OPT	Office-Professional Transition
ROL	Research-Office-Laboratory
M-1	Light Manufacturing
M-2	Light Manufacturing
M-3	Mining & Manufacturing

The provisions of Franklin's residential zones are summarized in Table 13. The R-R, R-A, R-40/R-40(1), R-20, R-15 and R-10 each permit single family residential development. Both the OPT and R-7 permit two family residences as well as single family homes. Minimum lot sizes for detached, single family development range from 7,500 to 100,000 square feet. An open space modification is available in the R-R, R-40 and R-20 zones, but not in the higher density zones.

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#### TABLE 13

#### MAJOR PROVISIONS OF FRANKLIN'S RESIDENTIAL ZONES

Zone	Permitted Uses	Conditional Uses	Minimum Lot Size	Maximum Density	Maximum Height	Minimum Frontage	Minimum Front Yard	Permitted Modifications
RR	Farming 1-Family DU's Churches Nursery Schools Golf Courses Stables		100,000s.f.	1 DU/2.29 acres	35' 2⅓ stories	200 '	50'	
R-A	Same as RR	-	50,000 s.f.	1 DU/1.15 acres	35' 25 stories	200*	40 '	-
R-40/ 40(1)	1-Family DU's Churches	Schools Membership	40,000 s.f. 32,000 s.f.	1 DU/acre .8 DU/acre	35' 25 stories	200 ' 160 '	40'	Variable Lot Size/Open Space Reduction
	Golf Courses Farming Prvt. Schools	Swimming	(see pe: modific	rmitted ations)				Planned Unit Development (see below)
R-20	l-Family DU's Churches Schools	Same as R-40/ R-40(1)	20,000 s.f. 16,000 s.f. (see pe modifi	2 DUS/acre 1.6 DU/acre rmitted cations)	35' 24 stories	130' 80'	35 '	Variable Lot Size/Open Space Reduction
R-15	l-Family DU's	-	15,000s.f.	3DUs/acre	35' 25 stories	120 '	30 '	-
R-10	l-Family DU's	-	10,000 s.f.	4DUs/acre	35' 25 stories	105'	25 '	-
R-7	l-Family DU's 2-Family DU's	-	7,500 s.f. 10,000 s.f.	5DU <b>s/</b> acre 4DUs/acre	35' 25 stories	90 '	25 '	· _

## TABLE 13 (Cont'd.)

#### MAJOR PROVISIONS OF FRANKLIN'S RESIDENTIAL ZONES

Zone	Permitted Uses	Conditional Uses	Minimum Lot Size	Maximum Density	Maximum Height	Minimum Frontage	Minimum Front Yard	Permitted Modifications
B-1	Retail Stores and Services Funeral Homes	. <b>-</b>	5 acres	8 DUs/acre	40' 3 stories	300 '	100'	-
	Theaters, Laundromats Schools Nursing Homes Gen. Offices & Laboratories Motels Garden Apts.					<i>.</i>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
B-2	Retail Stores Funeral Homes Theaters	Auto Service Stations Multi-Family Carden Apts	20,000 s.f.	8 DUs/acre	30' 2 stories	100'	20'	_
	Schools Prof. & Gen. Offices Auto Sales	Gatuen Apts.						
H-D	Retail Gen. & Prof. Offices Science, Research	Auto Service Stations	3 acres	8 DUs/acre (garden apts.) 7 DUs/acre (townhouses)	45' 3stories	300'	75 '	Planned Unit Development (see below)
	Restaurants Theaters Funeral Homes Nursing Homes Garden Apts. Townhouses							

#### MAJOR PROVISIONS OF FRANKLIN'S RESIDENTIAL ZONES

Zone	Permitted Uses	Conditional Uses	Minimum Lot Size	Maximum Density	Maximum Height	Minimum Frontage	Minimum Front Yard	Fermitted Modifications
OPT	l-Family DUs 2-Family DUs Church Professional Offices	-	10,000 s.f. 10,000 s.f.	4 DUs/acre 8 DUs/acre	35' 25 stories	100'	201	
Planne (perm: the l	ed Unit Developme Itted modificatio I-D and R-40/40(1	nt Option n in ) zones)	<u>Min. T</u> 300	ract Size acres	<u>Min. Single</u> 15	-Family Lot Size	Maximum 3.5 DU	Density s/acre

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Note: A residential developer is required to provide or cause others to provide low income dwelling units which shall not be less than 5% of the total number of dwelling units specified in the development plan and moderate income units which shall not be less than 15% of the total number of dwelling units specified in the development plan.

SOURCE: Franklin Township Zoning Ordinance.

Multi-family development is limited to the following: townhouses are a permitted use in the H-D zone; garden apartments are a permitted use in B-l and H-D zones and a conditional use in the B-2 zone. The permissible gross density in these zones is 7 units per acre for townhouses and 8 units per acre for garden apartments. In addition, under the PUD option (a permitted "modification" in H-D and R-40/R-40(1) zones), townhouses and garden apartments are permitted as part of the development mix. The PUD option requires a 300-acre minimum tract size and limits gross density to 3.5 units per acre.

The remaining five zones (B-3, ROL, M-1, M-2 and M-3) do not permit residential uses.

## C. DEFICIENCIES IN FRANKLIN'S RESIDENTIAL ZONING

With respect to the requirements of <u>Mount Laurel II</u>, Franklin's residential zoning exhibits deficiencies in three key areas:

- (1) Inadequate affirmative measures to induce construction of low and moderate income housing
- (2) Excessive density, bulk and yard restrictions
- (3) Prohibition of mobile homes.

These three major deficiencies are discussed in greater detail below.

1. INADEQUATE AFFIRMATIVE MEASURES TO INDUCE CONSTRUCTION OF LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING

Mount Laurel II requires that a municipality take affirmative measures - specifically density bonuses and mandatory set-asides - to ensure that a <u>realistic</u> opportunity for low and moderate income housing is provided. Franklin requires residential developers to provide 5% of the total dwellings for low income households and 15% for moderate income households. However, at the maximum prescribed density levels in Franklin, it is economically infeasible for developers to provide this set-aside.

## 2. EXCESSIVE DENSITY, BULK AND YARD RESTRICTIONS

The Township's regulations pertaining to residential density exceed that which is necessary to protect public health and safety, and, in combination with mandatory set aside provisions, effectively preclude low and moderate income housing development. This situation is particularly harmful with respect to townhouses and garden apartments. The gross density requirement limits development to 7 and 8 units per acre for townhouses and garden apartments, respectively. Up to 14 and 22 units per gross acre would be appropriate maximum densities for these building types and would provide a realistic opportunity for low and moderate income housing development. In addition, minimum lot sizes of 5 acres (B-1 zone) and 3 acres (H-D zones), and minimum front setbacks of 100 feet (B-1 zone) and 75 feet (H-D zone) are excessive and unrelated to health and safety standards. Twenty-five feet setbacks for townhouses and garden apartments would be adequate.

Furthermore, even if bulk and density requirements were not excessive no realistic opportunity for low and moderate income housing development would exist in either the B-l or B-2 zones due to the fact that each of these zones is already substantially developed. This contrasts sharply with Franklin's low density residential and agricultural zones, where ample vacant and developable land is available.

The PUD option requirements are also excessive and prohibitive in terms of the provision of low and moderate income housing. The 300-acre minimum tract size requirement is totally arbitrary and the density limit of 3.5 units per gross acre in combination with the mandatory 5%/15% set-aside renders low and moderate income housing development economically infeasible.

The minimum lot sizes for both single family and two family housing are also excessive. Although minimum lot sizes of 5,000 and 6,000 square feet for single and two family houses would meet health and safety standards, the Township's minimums are 7,500 and 10,000, respectively. They serve no purpose but to insure that development is more expensive and should be reduced accordingly to comply with <u>Mt. Laurel II</u>.

#### 3. LACK OF PROVISIONS FOR MOBILE HOMES

Franklin does not permit mobile home development in <u>any</u> zones. This restriction violates the mandate of <u>Mt.</u> <u>Laurel II</u> which indicates that mobile homes are an acceptable means of providing low and moderate income housing. By prohibiting mobile homes, Franklin unnecessarily limits the realistic opportunities available to develop lower income housing.

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## 4. MISCELLANEOUS COST-GENERATING REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the major deficiencies, Franklin's land development ordinances prescribe numerous requirements which are unnecessary to protect health and safety and which impose considerable additional development costs. These include the following:

- Excessive filing and review fees
- Excessive submission requirements
- Excessive requirements for environmental impact statements
- Excessive requirements in terms of landscaping, preservation of natural features, internal circulation and provision of sewerage.
- Discretionary standards in terms of project design.

## 5. CONCLUSION

Because of the deficiencies outlined above it is clear that Franklin's zoning ordinance does not adequately provide for low income housing. Thus, the zoning does not conform with the Township's obligations under <u>Mount</u> Laurel II.

#### D. NON-ZONING ACTIVITIES TO MEET THE MOUNT LAUREL II OBLIGATION

In addition to affirmative zoning devices, Franklin is obligated to use whatever other measures are feasible to meet their <u>Mount Laurel</u> obligation. These should include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Use of federal Community Development Block Grant funds to facilitate provision of low and moderate income housing. Such funds could be used for site acquisition, infrastructure improvements or financing assistance.
- 2. Granting of tax abatement to valid non-profit, publiclyassisted housing developments.
- Facilitating the development of subsidized housing through the passage of a Resolution of Need, provision of technical support, seed money, etc.
- 4. Donation of municipally-owned land for low and moderate income housing.
- 5. Coordination of infrastructure improvements with low and moderate income housing development through the capital budgeting process.

## APPENDIX A

## NON-GROWTH AREAS

The <u>State Development Guide Plan</u> designates land under the following categories: public open space, agricultural lands, limited growth areas, and growth areas. In accordance with <u>Mt.</u> <u>Laurel II</u>, the following municipalities which have no land within the "growth areas" have been excluded from the fair share computations for Franklin Township:

## Hunterdon County

Alexandria	Hampton
Bethlehem	Holland
Bloomsbury	Kingwood
Califon	Lambertville
Delaware	Lebanon Twp.
East Amwell	Milford
Franklin	Stockton
Frenchtown	Tewksbury
Glen Gardner	Union
West Amwo	ell

#### Mercer County

Hopewell Boro Pennington Boro

Monmouth County

Allentown	Roosevelt
Farmingdale	Sea Bright
Millstone	Upper Freehold

# Morris County

Chester Boro Chester Township Mendham Boro Mendham Township Rocky Hill Boro

Somerset County

# Passaic County

## Ringwood Boro

# Sussex County

Andover	Montague
Branchville	Ogdenburg
Byram	Sandyston
Frankford	Sparta
Franklin	Stanhope
Green	Stillwater
Hamburg	Sussex
Hardyston	Vernon
Hopatcong	Wollpack
Lafayette	Wantage

Warren County

Allamuchy Belvidere Blairstown Franklin Frelinghuysen Hardwick Hope Knowlton Liberty Oxford Pahaquany White Township

#### APPENDIX B

## URBAN AID MUNICIPALITIES

Urban Aid Municipalities are designated by the State of New Jersey based on 5 criteria:

- (1) the municipal population must exceed 15,000, or the municipality must have a population density in excess of 10,000 per square mile;
- (2) the municipality must have at least one (1) publicly financed dwelling unit for low income families;
- (3) the municipality must have at least two hundred fifty-one (251) resident children enrolled in school, the families of whom participate in the Aid to Families of Dependent Children Program. If population exceeds 20,000, population density exceeds 7,000 per square mile, and municipal equalized valuation per capita is at least \$4,500 lower than the State equalized valuation per capita, this requirement does not apply;
- (4) The municipal equalized real estate tax rate must exceed that of the State of New Jersey. If population exceeds 25,000, and municipal equalized valuation per capita is at least \$2,000 lower than the State equalized valuation per capita, this requirement does not apply; and
- (5) The municipal equalized real estate valuation per capita must be less than that of the State of New Jersey. If the municipality's equalized tax rate exceeds the State equalized tax rate by \$0.75 or more, this requirement does not apply.

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Many, but not all, of the Urban Aid municipalities are highly developed older cities containing disproportionately high shares of the State's existing low and moderate income housing, with much of it in poor condition. These "core" cities are generally not well-equipped to accommodate even more low and moderate income housing and population.

However, the State Urban Aid criteria were broadened in 1984 to also include some municipalities which are neither highly urbanized nor overburdened with housing and economic woes. Some Urban Aid municipalities are semi-rural with high growth rates and extensive amounts of underdeveloped land which can appropriately accommodate new residential development. Thus, the following criteria were applied to the list of Urban Aid communities to determine which should be exempted from any <u>Mount</u> <u>Laurel</u> obligation, beyond providing for a reasonable portion of their own indigenous housing needs.

All "selected" Urban Aid municipalities must be one of the actual municipalities that have been designated "Urban Aid" by the State for funding year 1985. In addition, they must meet <u>one</u> of the following threshold criteria:

- Level of existing housing deficiencies, according to the Fair Share formula, that exceeds the regional standard of the relevant Present Need Region;
- 2. Population density of 10,000 per square mile or greater;
- 3. Population density of 6,000-10,000 per square mile <u>plus</u> designation in <u>A Revised Statewide Housing Allocation Report</u> <u>for New Jersey</u> as having "0" acres of vacant developable land.

Based on these criteria the following selected Urban Aid municipalities have been excluded from the calculation of Franklin's fair share allocation:

## Bergen County

## Hudson County

Monmouth County

Garfield Lodi

Essex County Belleville Bloomfield East Orange Irvington Montclair Newark Orange Bayonne Hoboken Jersey City North Bergen Union City Weehawken West New York

<u>Mercer County</u> Trenton

<u>Middlesex County</u> New Brunswick Perth Amboy Asbury Park Keansburg Long Branch

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