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***Brief biography***

Malcolm Bush is a visiting research scholar at the Center for Urban Research and Learning at Loyola University of Chicago. He is also the long-time senior advisor to the International Center for Research and Policy on Childhood at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, [www.ciespi.org.br](http://www.ciespi.org.br). He is fluent in Brazilian Portuguese.

He engages in applied research and policy development in community development, community development finance, strategies for assisting low-income families including affordable housing and asset building, and improving policies and practices for connecting low-income youth to wider job markets.

From 1992 to 2008, Malcolm was President of Woodstock Institute, a national community economic development think tank. At Woodstock, he directed research and policy projects on such topics as community reinvestment and economic development; access to capital, credit and other financial services; discrimination in the home-buying process; and the harmful effects of high cost home mortgage, credit card and other consumer loans. He has also led successful negotiations between community groups and major financial institutions to increase those institutions' goals for home and small business lending and the provision of bank services in lower-income communities, negotiating the largest CRA agreement then on record in the country between a community coalition and J .P. Morgan Chase.

He has just completed a multi-year project as principal investigator to evaluate the Cyber-ESL with tutorial supports program at Instituto del Progreso Latino in Chicago, a project funded by the MacArthur Foundation and housed at the Center for Urban Research and Learning at Loyola University of Chicago.

In Brazil he is engaged in projects to provide safe places for children 0-6 in low income and violent communities to be during the day, provide supports to their parents. train the next generation of low-income community activists, and provide basic data on children 0-18.

From 1987 to 1992, he was senior vice-president of a statewide child advocacy group where he directed research, policy development and implementation on urban educational reform, state tax reform, and child welfare reform.

Between 1979 and 1987, he was a regular, full-time faculty member at the University of Chicago, teaching family and children's policy and research methods. He has served on the Community Advisory Committee of the US Federal Reserve Board where he chaired the bank regulations sub-committee. He has also served on the boards of the National Community Reinvestment Coalition, the national Community Development

Finance Coalition, the Financial Markets Center (board chair), and the Chicago Low-Income Housing Trust Fund.

He holds a Ph.D. in social psychology and urban affairs from Northwestern University, and an M.A. in American history and economics from the University of Pennsylvania. His undergraduate degree is in modern history from Oxford University. Malcolm is author of the book Families in Distress: Public, Private, and Civic Responses (University of California Press), and has written numerous articles and reports and made many presentations on urban and social policy, community reinvestment, lending discrimination, community development, work force development for young people, and ways to better support low-income families, low-income children and their communities.

He has served on the boards of the National Community Reinvestment Coalition, the national Community Development Financial Institutions' Coalition, the Financial Markets Center, and the Consumer Advisory Council of the U.S. Federal Reserve Board. He served as long time board member of the Chicago Low-Income Housing Trust Fund.

While he directed Woodstock Institute, the Institute was awarded the MacArthur Foundation International Prize for Effective and Creative Organizations.