Record Nr. UNINA9910781362503321 Autore Amster Randall **Titolo** Lost in space [[electronic resource]]: the criminalization, globalization, and urban ecology of homelessness / / Randall Amster New York, : LFB Scholarly Publishing, 2008 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-59332-555-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (283 p.) Disciplina 362.5 Soggetti Homelessness Homelessness - Arizona - Tempe Urban ecology (Sociology) Public spaces Homeless persons Crime and globalization Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references (p. 239-263) and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Facing the "homeless problem": subsistence, survival, and skid row --Urban ecology and public space: Disney, development, and dystopia --Patterns of exclusion: the perversity of homeless criminalization --Mapping the territory: meanings, methodologies, means and ends --Case in point: a brief history of the Tempe sidewalk ordinance -- The ecology of resistance: human rights struggles and the contested realms of public space -- Cities of the future: localizing the global, globalizing the local. Sommario/riassunto Amster explores the historical and contemporary implications of homelessness both as a social and spatial problem, drawing upon academic disciplines and policy concerns ranging from urban geography to legal advocacy. Homeless people often find themselves on the front lines of a struggle to preserve places that are theoretically open to everyone regardless of status. Urban spaces in particular manifest a complex and dynamic ecology comprised of people, culture,

architecture, technology, and the natural environment, often expressed through concrete processes such as gentrification, redevelopment