Record Nr. UNINA9910783256203321 Titolo The urban poor in Latin America / / Marianne Fay, editor Washington, D.C.:,: World Bank,, c2005 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-280-22118-6 9786610221189 0-8213-6070-1 Descrizione fisica xiii, 266 pages: illustrations;; 23 cm Collana Directions in development Altri autori (Persone) **FayMarianne** Disciplina 362.5/098/091732 Soggetti Urban poor - Latin America Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Contents: Foreword: Acknowledgments: Overview: 1 Urban Poverty in Latin America and the Caribbean: Setting the Stage; Tables; Boxes; Figures; 2 Working One's Way Up: The Urban Poor and the Labor Market; 3 Keeping a Roof over One's Head: Improving Access to Safe and Decent Shelter; 4 Violence, Fear, and Insecurity among the Urban Poor in Latin America; 5 Keeping Healthy in an Urban Environment: Public Health Challenges for the Urban Poor: 6 Relying on Oneself: Assets of the Poor; 7 Calling on Friends and Relatives: Social Capital; 8 Public Social Safety Nets and the Urban Poor Sommario/riassunto The urbanization of Latin America has also lead to the urbanization of its poor. Today about half of the region's poor live in cities. Yet the phenomenon of urban poverty is not one that is well studied or well understood and policy makers across Latin America are increasingly interested in policy advice on how to design programs and policies to tackle poverty. Urban Poor in Latin America argues that the causes of poverty, the nature of deprivation, and the policy levers to fight poverty are to a large extent site-specific. As such, the book looks at strategies

to assist the urban poor in making