Record Nr. UNINA9910808846003321 Autore Blee Kathleen M Titolo Inside organized racism: women in the hate movement / / Kathleen M. Blee Pubbl/distr/stampa Berkeley, : University of California Press, c2002 **ISBN** 1-4175-2392-1 0-520-93072-X 1-59734-679-9 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (272 p.): ill.; Disciplina 320.5/6/0820973 Soggetti Hate groups - United States White supremacy movements - United States Racism - United States Women, White - United States - Psychology Women, White - United States - Attitudes Women, White - United States - Conduct of life White people - Race identity - United States United States Race relations Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Intro -- CONTENTS -- BECOMING A RACIST -- 1. THE RACIST SELF --Nota di contenuto 2. WHITENESS -- 3. ENEMIES -- LIVING AS A RACIST -- 4. THE PLACE OF WOMEN -- 5. A CULTURE OF VIOLENCE -- Conclusion: LESSONS --Appendix 1: RACIST GROUPS -- Appendix 2: METHODOLOGY --Appendix 3:ANTIRACIST ORGANIZATIONS -- NOTES -- BIBLIOGRAPHY -- ACKNOWLEDGMENTS -- INDEX. Sommario/riassunto Kathleen M. Blee's disturbing and provocative look at the hidden world of organized racism focuses on women, the newest recruiting targets of racist groups and crucial to their campaign for racial supremacy. Through personal interviews with women active in the Ku Klux Klan, neo-Nazi groups, Christian Identity sects, and white power skinhead gangs across the United States, Blee dispels many misconceptions of

organized racism. Women are seldom pushed into the racist movement

by any compelling interest, belief, or need, she finds. Most are educated. Only the rare woman grew up poor. Most were not raised in abusive families. Most women did not follow men into the world of organized racism. Inside Organized Racism offers a fascinating examination of the submerged social relations and the variety of racist identities that lie behind the apparent homogeneity of the movement. Following up her highly praised study of the women in the 1920s Ku Klux Klan, Blee discovers that many of today's racist women combine dangerous racist and anti-Semitic agendas with otherwise mainstream lives. Few of the women she interviews had strong racist or anti-Semitic views before becoming associated with racist groups. Rather, they learned a virulent hatred of racial minorities and anti-Semitic conspiratorial beliefs by being in racist groups. The only national sample of a broad spectrum of racist activists and the only major work on women racists, this well-written and important book also sheds light on how gender relationships shape participation in the movement as a whole.