APA is a good source of general information on urban trends in the U.S.

American Planning Association, 1776 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036 (202) 872-0611

The APA is a nonprofit research and educational organization for city planners and others involved in land use and urban affairs. It has over 21,000 members and an extensive network of regional chapters. The American Institute of Certified Planners is the professional institute within APA.

Membership (at sliding salary scale - less than \$85/year) includes subscription to the monthly "Planning Magazine" and quarterly "APA Journal" and access to the "Planners Bookstore" with over 1000 publications. An annual national conference is held in different cities.

APPA is the principal organization of facility managers of post-secondary educational facilities in the U.S.

Association of Physical Plant Administrators of Universities and Colleges, 1446 Duke Street, Alexandria, Virginia 223114-3492

APPA is the principal organization representing the interests of higher education facility managers in the U.S. Its membership also includes secondary school district managers, private developers, contractors, materials suppliers, engineers and architects. There is an annual conference and exhibition usually held in mid-summer in various locations. Registration costs are \$450 for non-members and \$350 for members. Annual membership costs are \$165 for individual, nonvoting status and \$575 for corporate, voting membership. Voting members can exhibit at the annual convention and have access to APPA's membership list once a year.

APPA has two publications: a monthly "APPA Newsletter" and a quarterly journal, "Facilities Manager" which includes advertising.

APPA has established a "Higher Education Facilities Trust" to focus on professional development of facility managers. It currently runs a training program at the University of Notre Dame.