

# HOUSING



Special Edition

## Upgrades for Better Health, Energy Efficiency

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and keep as much as possible out of the landfill.

PCRI's Executive Director Maxine Fitzpatrick greeted the volunteers before they started on the project. She thanked

them for their service, adding that their volunteer efforts are priceless in supporting PCRI's ability to provide below-market rate rental homes to residents who rely on these opportunities to stabilize their lives and return to self-sufficiency.

## Mixed Signals in Housing Report

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Economists cautioned that the housing market is a long way from fully recovering.

There were some positive signs in the report. The government revised December's sales figures up to show an annual rate of 336,000, the best sales pace in a year.

Just 150,000 new U.S. homes were for sale in January and February — the lowest on records dating back to 1963. The supply of new homes on the market has consistently fallen over the past two years, which could help stabilize prices.

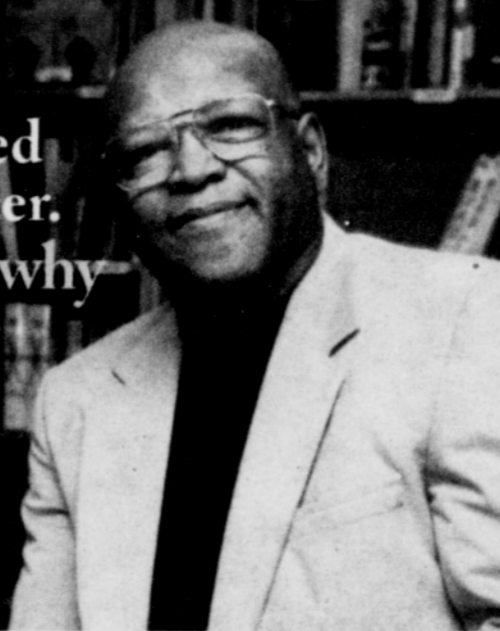
Sales of previously occupied homes have risen more than 13 percent since July. And

January and February made up the best winter for re-sales in five years, when the housing crisis began.

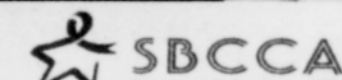
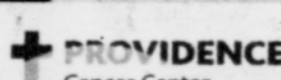
A key reason for the dismal sales in the new-home market is that builders must compete with foreclosures and short sales — when lenders accept less for a house than what is owed on the mortgage.

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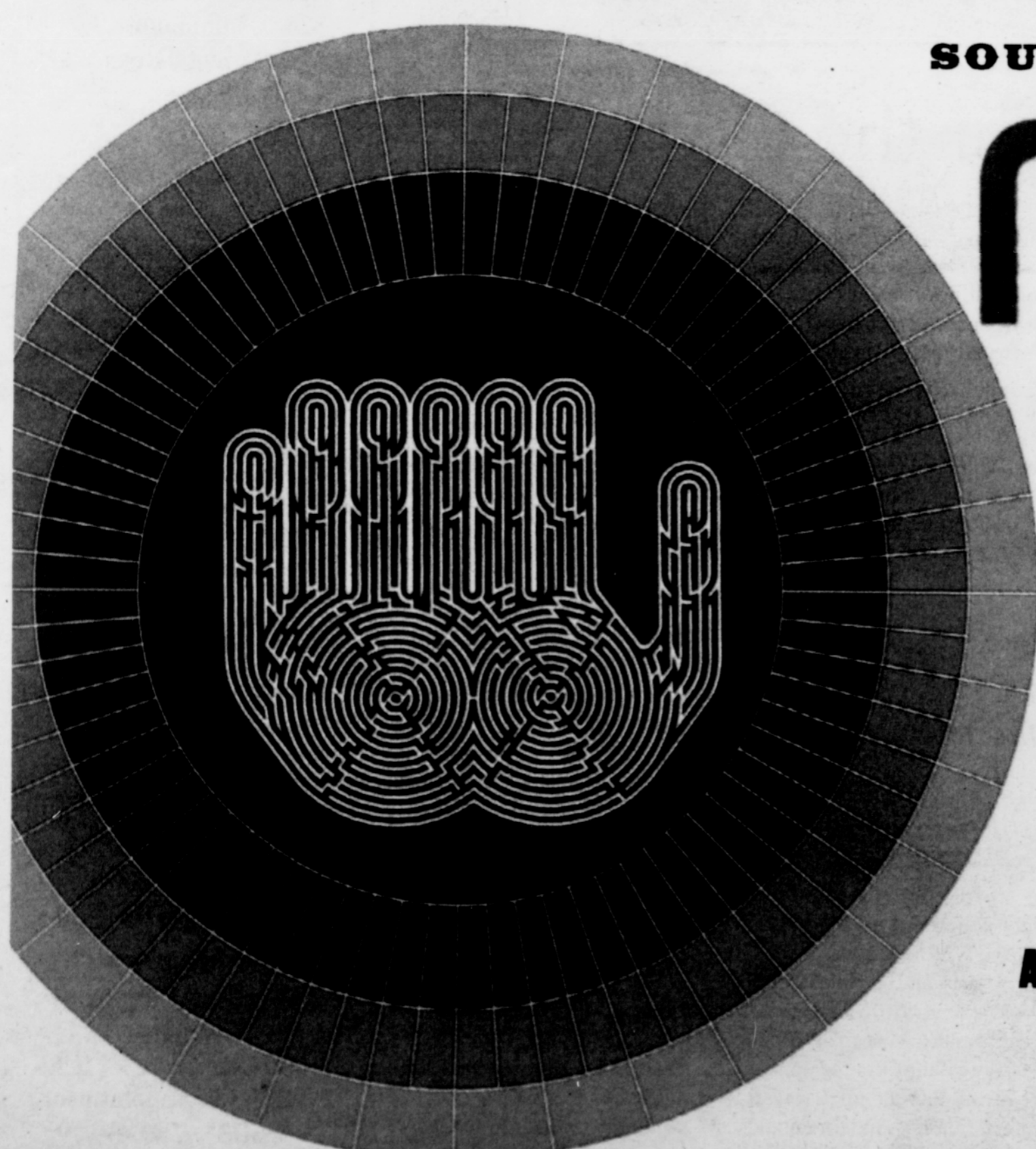
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