they were to get involved in organizing around the issue, and also the chance to start identifying future leaders for ABC. The interns met many people, such as Ester Lozano (in photo on page 14), who were looking for a way to make some changes and were ready for commitment.

Soon after, others residents began to understand the importance of working together as a community and decided to become members. Getting them involved by conducting meetings in homes and doorknocking helped Denver ABC gradually get the word out about both the issue and the organization.

The three interns brought diverse experiences and talents to the campaign. Each intern had different personal goals and challenges, even though they worked cooperatively as a team. For James, MAAP has built a clearer vision of his role as a community organizer. "The program has enabled me to see what community organizing is all about. I feel confident about going back to my community and utilizing the experiences that I've gained." James will be returning to Dunkirk, NY as the coordinator of the People's Action Coalition.

For Suk, "the biggest challenge was the commitment — not to the issue or campaign itself, but to organizing as a way of life and living." Suk will return to Albuquerque, New Mexico with a greater vision of what can be achieved through direct action organizing.

The MAAP experience will help Tom in his fight to improve his own community in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. "I think for me the hard part is the waking up early after coming in late at night, but I realize that this is something I want and something that has to be done in order to do this work."

According to Sonia Peña, Site Coordinator and Lead Organizer of Denver ABC, "implementing a new campaign takes a great deal of patience and time. We all learned from our mistakes and sought ways to improve ourselves as well as the campaign. The interns' commitment, assurance and diverse humor will have an everlasting effect on ABC and the campaign's future."

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