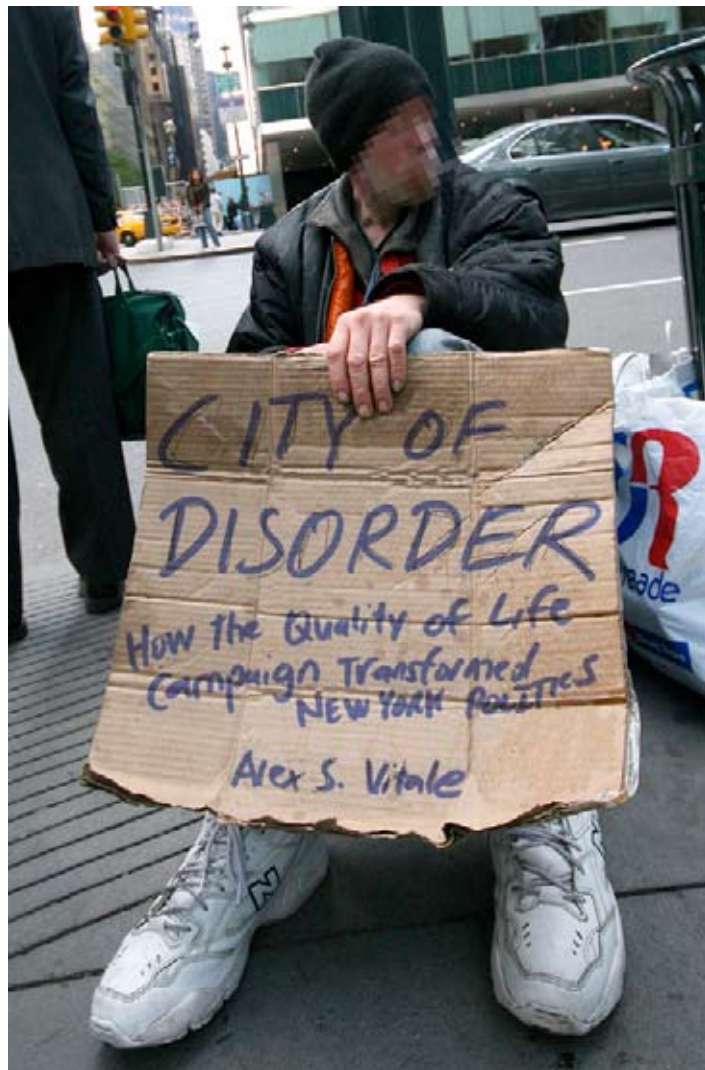


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City of Disorder

How the Quality of Life Campaign Transformed
New York Politics



Alex Vitale, assistant professor of sociology at Brooklyn College, served on the staff of the San Francisco Coalition on Homelessness from 1990-2003, where he headed up their work on developing and preserving health care and social service programs and defended the civil rights of people living on the streets and in shelters. In 1993 he came to New York to study at the CUNY Graduate Center, where he received his Ph.D. in sociology. Vitale is active in a number of community organizations and an elected officer in the faculty union, the Professional Staff Congress-CUNY. His new book, *City of Disorder* (<http://www.cityofdisorder.com>), focuses on the origins and political impacts of the backlash against public camping, sidewalk drinking, panhandling, “squeegee men,” illegal peddling and other “quality of life” issues in New York City.

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6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

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