

TECHWOOD HOMES, BUILDING 19
TECHWOOD/CLARK HOWELL HOMES REDEVELOPMENT AREA
562-568 Techwood Drive; 189-191 Merritts Avenue
Atlanta
Fulton County
Georgia

HABS No. GA-2257-W

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey
National Park Service
Southeast Region
Department of the Interior
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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Location: 189-191 Merritts Avenue and 562-568 Techwood Drives, N.W.
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U.S.G.S. Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:
Northing 3739/560, Easting 741/600

Present Owner: Atlanta Housing Authority
739 West Peachtree
Atlanta, Georgia 30365

Present Occupant: Vacant

Present Use: Public housing
Part of Techwood/Clark Howell Homes HOPE VI - Urban Revitalization
Demonstration (URD) Project
To be demolished

Significance: Techwood Homes, Building 19 is a contributing building in the
Techwood Homes Historic District, nominated to the National Register
of Historic Places in 1976. Techwood Homes is associated with events,
agencies, and individuals significant to the history and design of public
housing, both nationally and locally.

Techwood Homes was the first federally funded public housing project
in the United States to reach the construction stage. As the first of 51
"demonstration projects" developed nationwide by the Housing Division
of the Public Works Administration (PWA), Techwood Homes served as
an experimental model for interpretation and implementation of design
standards established by the Housing Division. The project drew
immediate praise for its sturdy construction, fireproof materials, natural
lighting and cross-ventilation, ample open space and recreational areas,
and community-oriented amenities.

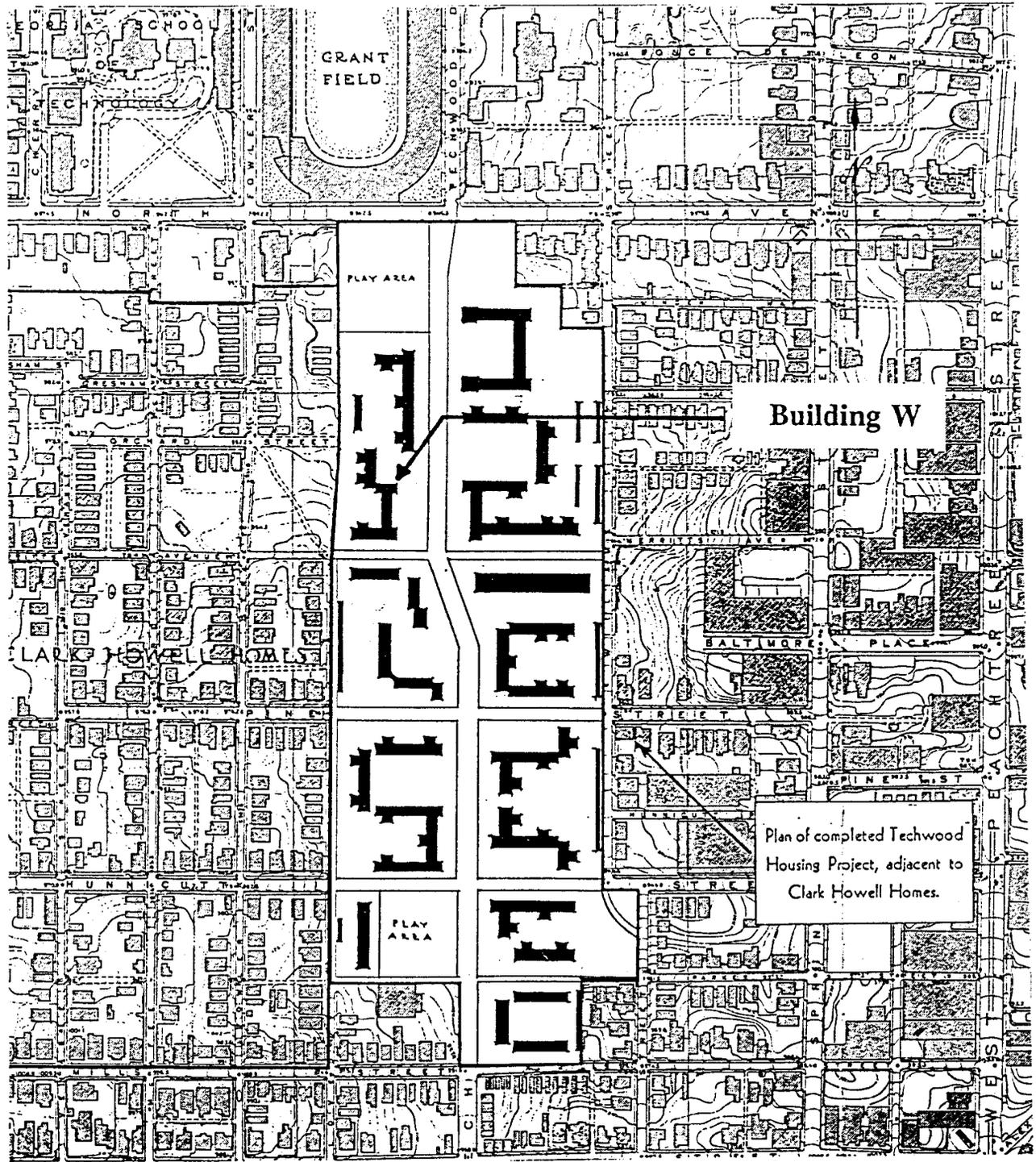
Development of this landmark project in Atlanta reflected the planning
and lobbying efforts of prominent local citizens. Its development
provided many benefits locally, including clearance of one of the city's
worst slums, employment of many workers and professionals, creation
of new housing for over 600 limited-income families, construction of a
much-needed dormitory for Georgia Tech, and establishment of local
support for the subsequent creation of the Atlanta Housing Authority.

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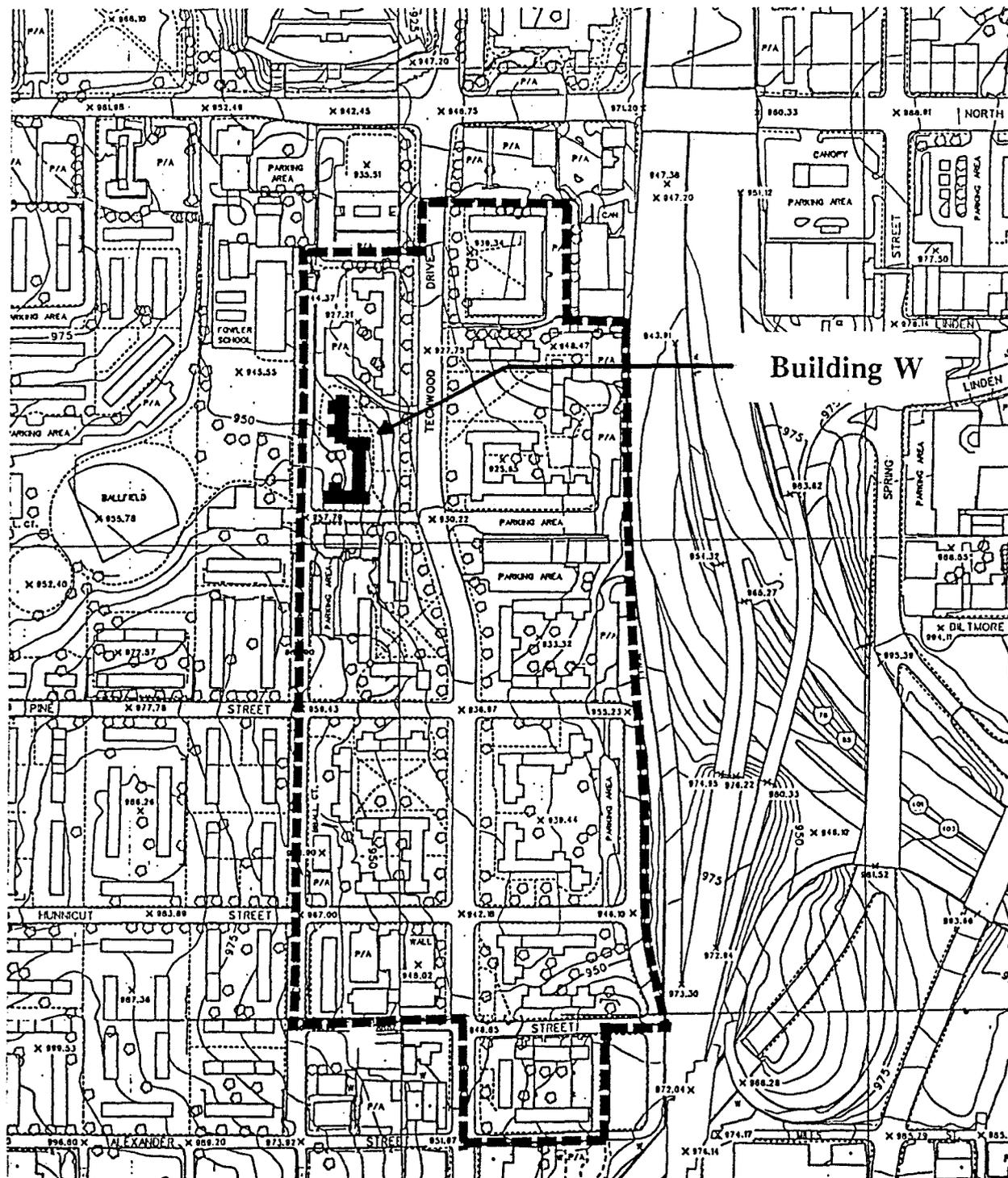
- Supplemental material:
- historic site plan of Techwood Homes with Building 19 indicated
 - site plan of existing historic district with Building 19 indicated
 - elevation diagrams of Building 19
 - floor plan diagrams of Building 19

For detailed building descriptions refer to HABS Package No. GA-2257-G

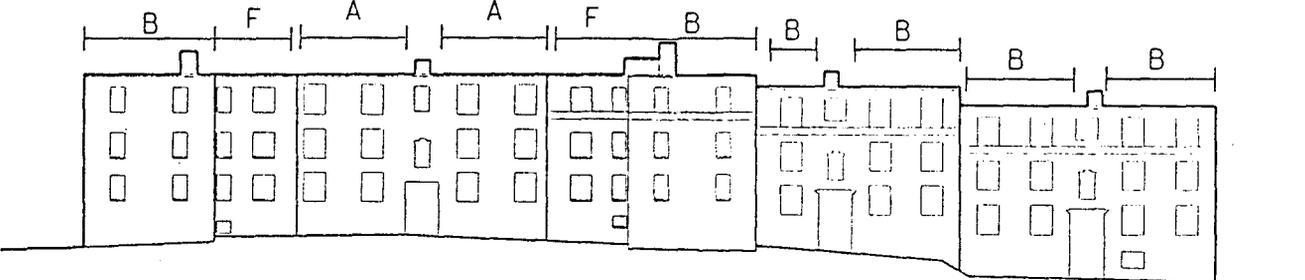
HISTORIC SITE PLAN OF TECHWOOD HOMES



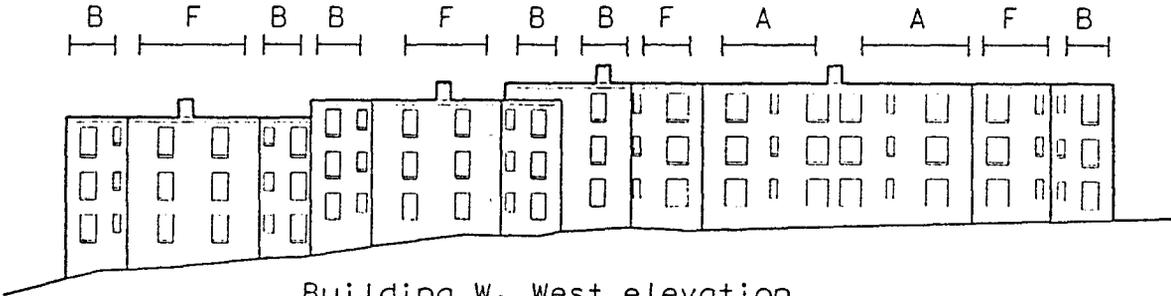
SITE PLAN OF TECHWOOD HOMES HISTORIC DISTRICT



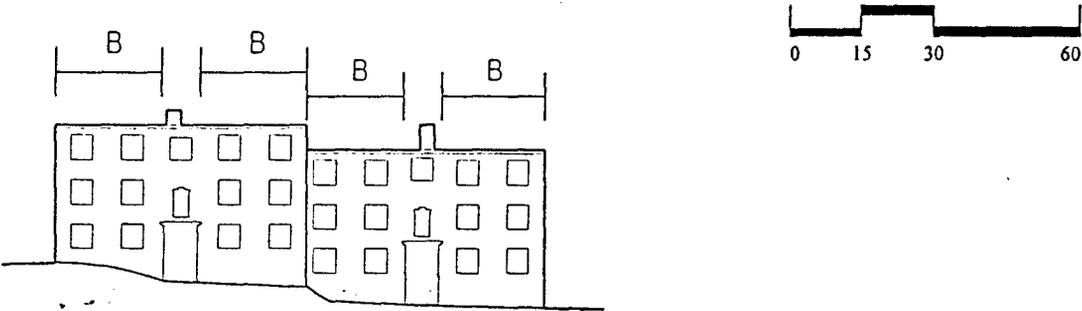
ELEVATION DIAGRAMS



Building W, East elevation (Techwood Drive)



Building W, West elevation



Building W: Southern Elevation (Merritts Avenue)

FLOOR PLAN DIAGRAM

Building W: Unit Types

