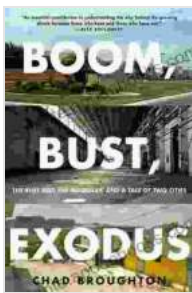


The Rust Belt, the Maquilas, and a Tale of Two Cities

In the heart of the Rust Belt, where once-thriving industrial cities now struggle to survive, there is a story of hope and renewal that is waiting to be told. It is the story of Detroit and Juarez, two cities that have been ravaged by economic decline and violence, but that have found a way to come together and build a better future.



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The Rust Belt is a region of the United States that was once home to a thriving manufacturing industry. However, in the late 20th century, many of these industries began to close down, leaving behind a trail of abandoned factories and unemployed workers. Detroit, Michigan, was one of the hardest-hit cities in the Rust Belt. In the 1950s, Detroit was a booming metropolis, home to the Big Three automakers and a thriving middle class.

But by the 1970s, the city had begun to decline, as manufacturing jobs moved overseas and the city's population dwindled.

Juarez, Mexico, is a city that is located just across the border from El Paso, Texas. In the 1960s and 1970s, Juarez became a major center for the maquiladora industry, which is a type of factory that assembles products for export to the United States. However, in the late 1990s, the maquiladora industry began to decline, as many factories moved to China and other countries with lower labor costs. Juarez was hit hard by this decline, and the city's economy has struggled ever since.

Despite their different histories, Detroit and Juarez have a lot in common. Both cities have been devastated by economic decline and violence, and both cities have been forced to find new ways to survive. In recent years, Detroit and Juarez have begun to forge a partnership, based on shared experiences and a common desire for a better future.

One of the most important aspects of the Detroit-Juarez partnership is the exchange of ideas and experiences. In 2011, a group of Detroit artists traveled to Juarez to create a mural in a local school. The mural depicts the history of the two cities, and it has become a symbol of their shared struggles and hopes.

In 2012, a group of Juarez business leaders traveled to Detroit to learn about the city's efforts to revitalize its economy. The Juarez business leaders were impressed by Detroit's progress, and they returned home with new ideas for how to improve their own city.

The Detroit-Juarez partnership is a powerful example of how two struggling cities can come together to build a better future. It is a story of hope and

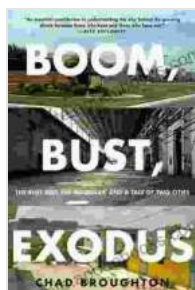
renewal, and it is a story that is worth telling.

In his book, *The Rust Belt, the Maquilas, and a Tale of Two Cities*, author David Bacon tells the story of the Detroit-Juarez partnership in greater detail. Bacon provides a fascinating account of the challenges that both cities have faced, and he shows how they have been able to overcome these challenges through cooperation and shared experiences.

The Rust Belt, the Maquilas, and a Tale of Two Cities is a must-read for anyone interested in the challenges and opportunities facing our cities today. It is a story of hope and renewal, and it is a story that will inspire you to believe that anything is possible.

To learn more about the Detroit-Juarez partnership, please visit the website of the Detroit-Juarez Sister City Committee:

<http://www.detroitjuarezsistercity.org/>.

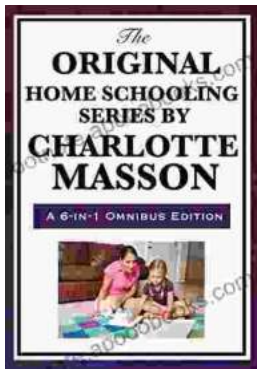


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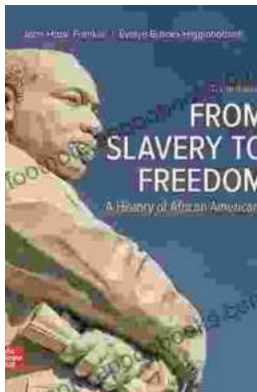
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