## December 2, 1993 The LAS VEGAS SENTINEL-VOICE 5 **AMERICAN URBAN RADIO NETWORKS (AURN) BROADCASTS LIVE FROM THE "BASIC WORLD SUMMET IN LAS VEGAS** American Urban Radio Net" in New York: Peter Bell, Author Inter one radio broadcaster Inter a contraction of the workforce; and 100% are over 300 affiliated stations in the

American Urban Radio Networks (AURN) has dedicated it's networks public service support to the Black Alcohol/Drug Service Information Center (BASIC) for their BASIC WORLD SUM-MIT in Las Vegas, NV December 5-8, 1993. Bob Law will host the nationally known "NIGHT TALK" Show from the summit floor.

The BASIC WORLD SUM-MIT will convene over 300 premier drug and alcohol culturally specific prevention, treatment, service and after-care programs from urban areas throughout the country. Headlining the list of expert authorities will be Lee P. Brown, Ph.D., Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Among the other authorities are Marie Bernarde Miller, Deputy Attorney from the Office of the Attorney General in Little Rock, AK; Na'im Akbar, Ph.D., Department of Psychology, Florida State University; Dr. Emile Jean-Baptiste, Founder of the Haitian Bio-Medical Foundation in New York; Peter Bell, Author and Consultant on treatment strategies for people of color, Detroit, MI; and Julius Wilkerson, Director and Founder of the Velocity Foundation, Inc., New Orleans, LA.

Oval Miller, Executive Director and Founder of BASIC states, "I am pleased that AURN, the

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Judge Brown emphasized that this a moratorium on traffic warrants, not an amnesty period.

"People will be given minimum fines on the warrants," Judge Brown said. "Those who come in and pay their traffic warrants will be eating turkey at home, not in jail. You might call number one radio broadcaster to African Americans, has selected to support the BASIC program which we feel is the number one after-care program for African-Americans in the country. AURN and BASIC make a good team in helping our people whose lives have been altered by substance abuse."

it an early Christmas present." Judge Brown added that this moratorium does not apply to defendants who have been in bench warrant more than twice, or who have failed to complete the work alternative program.

Judge Brown stated that an average of 5,000 warrants are issued monthly and there are several thousand outstanding warrants...some have been in the system for three years. All traffic warrants currently in the court's computers can be paid during the moratorium. Additionafter-care program headquartered in St. Louis, MO. In it's ten years existence, BASIC has an 85% sustained recovery rate of our 8,000 substance abuse clients who have gone through their program and that have been followed up to one year following their recovery; 98% return to

ally all operations of the court will be open so people can also pay other fines, sign up for traffic school or conduct other court

business. "We don't want people going to jail over the holidays," Judge Brown emphasized. "However, if people fail to come in during this grace period, I guarantee that the Marshall's office will be in force after January 1st arresting those people who don't take advantage of this opportunity." Last year, more than 2,000

defendants took advantage of a nine day moratorium that was offered, clearing 3,823 warrants from court records. This year's moratorium is being offered for the entire month of December to present more of an opportunity for individuals to pay outstanding warrants. the workforce; and 100% are registered voters.

The BASIC model has now been duplicated in New Orleans, LA with plans to expand into Little Rock, AK; Las Vegas, NV and New York, NY. American Urban Radio Networks (AURN) is the only African American owned radio network serving over 300 affiliated stations in the United States and the Caribbean with news, sports, information and entertainment programming geared to the African American consumer market. AURN has offices and bureaus in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Washington, D.C., Detroit and Pittsburgh.

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