

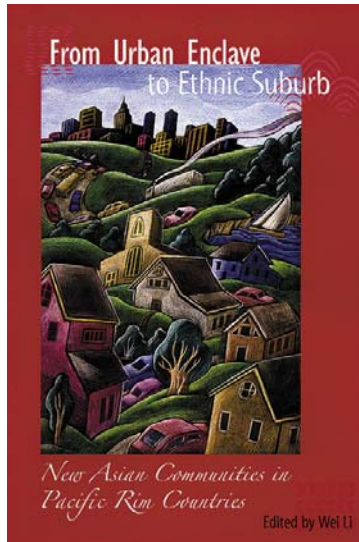


# From Urban Enclave to Ethnic Suburb

## New Asian Communities in Pacific Rim Countries

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