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The Idealist.org Handbook To Building A Better World: How To Turn Your Good Intentions Into Actions That Make A Difference



Synopsis

From the world's largest nonprofit networking website—a resource that gives readers the tools they need to make a difference. Part career guide, part activist's handbook, *The Idealist.org Handbook to Building a Better World* provides tools and inspiration for anyone who wants to make a difference but doesn't know where to start. Inspired by Idealist.org's 600,000-member online community and their ongoing search for work that gives back to the world, this practical reference walks readers through the different ways they can get involved and the range of possibilities for applying one's interests and skills to meet their community's needs. Idealist.org's staff gives a comprehensive understanding of the issues, options, organizations, and resources so readers can be proactive, whether it's through one's current job, volunteering, donating, personal spending, board service, starting an organization, or changing careers.

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“The Idealist.org Handbook to Building a Better World helps idealists of all ages to assess and identify their interests and motivations, and provides the tools, strategies, and inspiration to become engaged and active citizens.”
—Jon McConnell, Associate Director for Public Service Education, Haas Center for Public Service, Stanford University
“Given the explosion of interest in trying to make a difference through offering time, talent, or treasure this book provides compelling, easy-to-follow guidance on how to turn good intentions into effective world-changing actions.”
—Kevin F.F. Quigley, President, National Peace Corps

Association “At once practical and inspirational, this book asks the simple but penetrating questions: Are you an idealist? If so, what are you going to do about it? A must-read for anyone interested in making a difference, changing their life and community—in short, building a better world.” —Patrick Corvington, Senior Associate, The Annie E. Casey Foundation “This has to be the single best book for those who want to translate good intentions into action. …Whoever you are, whatever you are doing, this book will empower you to help make this world a better place. A must-read for idealists everywhere!” —Bill Alberta, Associate Director, Cornell Career Services “Idealist.org’s website has been a powerhouse of information and knowledge for over a decade, and this new book captures and shares those resources with anyone who has ever hoped to ‘make a difference.’ …This book should prevent the idealist in anyone from becoming a pessimistic realist.” —Beth Olson, Associate Director, Center for Career Education, Columbia University “The Idealist.org Handbook to Building a Better World shows us how to consider making a difference in unconventional ways…. The most empowering message from the experts at Idealist.org is that building a better world through taking action is possible, no matter how small that action may be.” —Linda Arra, Director, Career Services, Lafayette College “This book is an outstanding resource for anyone who wants to make a difference but is not sure how to begin. This down-to-earth, highly informative book is useful both to beginning job seekers and experienced professionals considering a career change. I highly recommend this book.” —Dee Thompson, Director, Career Center, Portland State University

Idealist.org, a nonprofit organization founded in 1995, facilitates connections between individuals and institutions that are interested in improving their communities. Stephanie Land was a book editor in New York City before becoming a freelance writer and editor. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

The book talks about all spectrum of the non-profit world. Chapters are short, and keeps you interested in reading. Its an easy read

This is a wonderful resource for those that want a make a difference in the world. Great book & great website!

I purchased this book thinking I would be helping Idealist.org with a product purchase, but once I

started reading, I realized how I would be helping myself! I found the book well done and informative.

Very well organized and well written. Many new resources and innovative approaches on how to direct 'good' energy.

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