

# United for a Fair Economy

## Suggested Economic Justice Reading List

### GENERAL

*The Conservative Nanny State: How the Wealthy Use the Government to Stay Rich and Get Richer* by Dean Baker (Lulu.com, 2006).

*Divided: The Perils of Our Growing Inequality* edited by David Kay Johnston (New Press, 2015).

\* *Economic Apartheid in America: A Primer on Economic Inequality and Insecurity* by Chuck Collins and Felice Yeskel (New Press, 2005).

*Economic Collapse, Economic Change - Getting to the Roots of the Crisis*, by Arthur MacEwan and John A. Miller (M.E. Sharpe, 2011).

*Economics for Everyone - A Short Guide to the Economics of Capitalism*, by Jim Stanford (Fernwood Publishing, 2007).

*The Great Unraveling: Losing Our Way in the New Century* by Paul Krugman (W.W. Norton & Company, 2003).

*Greed and Good* by Sam Pizzigati (Apex Press, 2003).

*The Missing Class: Portraits of the Near Poor in America* by Katherine Newman and Victor Tan Chen (Beacon Press, 2007).

*The Moral Measure of the Economy* by Chuck Collins and Mary Wright (Orbis Books, 2008).

*A New New Deal - How Regional Activism Will Reshape the American Labor Movement* by Amy Dean & David Reynolds (The Century Foundation, 2009).

*The Shock Doctrine - The Rise of Disaster Capitalism* by Naomi Klein (Metropolitan Books, 2008).

*The Spirit Level - Why Greater Equality Makes Societies Stronger* by Richard Wilkinson and Kate Pickett (Bloomsbury Press, 2009).

\* *Teaching Economics As If People Mattered* by Tamara Giecek (UFE, 2nd edition, 2007).

*Epic Recession: Prelude to Global Depression* by Jack Rasmus (Pluto Press, 2011).

*Runaway Inequality: An Activist's Guide to Economic Justice* by Les Leopold (The Labor Institute Press, 2015).

*Winner-Take-All Politics: How Washington Made the Rich Richer and Turned Its Back on the Middle Class* by Jacob S. Hacker & Paul Pierson (Simon & Schuster, 2011).

### CORPORATE ACCOUNTABILITY

*The Fine Print - How Big Companies Use "Plain English" to Rob You Blind* by David Cay Johnston (Portfolio/Penguin, 2012).

*The Fox in the Henhouse: How Privatization Undermines Democracy* by Si Kahn and Elizabeth Minnich (Berrett-Koehler, 2005).

*Graftopia: Bubble Machines, Vampire Squids, and the Long Con that is Breaking America* by Mike Taibbi (Spiegel & Grau, 2010).

*Take the Rich Off Welfare* by Mark Zepezauer (South End Press, 2004).

*Other People's Money: The Corporate Mugging of America* by Nomi Prins (The New Press, 2004).

*When Corporations Rule the World* David Korten (Kumarian Press, 2001).

### GLOBALIZATION

*Alternatives to Economic Globalization* by John Cavanagh (Berrett-Koehler, 2002)

*Bad Samaritans - The Myth of Free Trade and the Secret History of Capitalism* by Ha-Joon Chang, (Bloomsbury Press, 2008).

*Field Guide to the Global Economy* by Sarah Anderson and John Cavanagh (New Press, 2000).

*Globalization and Its Discontents* by Joseph E. Stiglitz (William Norton, 2002).

*Globalization from Below: The Power of Solidarity* by Jeremy Brecher, Tim Costello and Brendan Smith (South End Press, 2000).

*The Accidental American - Immigration and Citizenship in the Age of Globalization* by Rinku Sen with Ferrak Mamdouh (Berrett-Koehler, 2008).

\* *Real World Globalization - A Reader in Economics, Business and Politics* edited by the Dollars & Sense Collective (Dollars & Sense, 2005).

*Rethinking Globalization - Teaching for Justice in an Unjust World* edited by Bill Bigelow and Bob Peterson (Rethinking Schools Press, 2002).

*The Global Activist's Manual: Local Ways to Change the World* edited by Mike Prokosch and Laura Raymond (Nation Books, 2002).

## INCOME

*The Trap - Selling Out to Stay Afloat in Winner-Take-All America* by Daniel Brook (Times Books, 2007).

*The Increasingly Unequal States of America: Income Inequality by State, 1917 to 2011* (Economic Analysis and Research Network, February 19, 2014).

*Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in Boom-Time America* by Barbara Ehrenreich (Metropolitan Books, 2001).

*The State of Working America, 12th Edition*, by Josh Bivens, Lawrence Mishel, Heidi Shierholz, and Elise Gould (Cornell University Press, 2012).

*Raise the Floor: Wages and Policies that Work for All of Us* by Holly Sklar, Laryssa Mykyta, and Susan Wefald (MS Foundation for Women, 2001).

## RACE & GENDER

*Being Black, Living in the Red: Race, Wealth, and Social Policy in America* by Dalton Conley (University of California, 1999; updated 2010).

\* *The Color of Wealth - The Story of the U.S. Racial Wealth Divide* by Meizhu Lui et al (The New Press, 2007).

*Global Woman: Nannies, Maids, and Sex Workers in the New Economy* by Barbara Ehrenreich and Arlie Hochschild (Metropolitan Books, 2003).

*The Hidden Cost of Being African American - How Wealth perpetuates inequality* by Thomas Shapiro (Oxford University Press, 2004).

*Policing the National Body: Race, Gender, and Criminalization* by Anannya Bhattacharjee and Jael Silliman (South End Press, 2002).

\* *Unlevel Playing Fields: Understanding Wage Inequality and Discrimination* by Randy Albelda, Robert W. Drago, and Steven Shulman (Dollars and Sense, 2004).

*Slavery by Another Name: The Re-Enslavement of Black Americans from the Civil War to World War II*, by Douglas Blackmon (Doubleday, 2008).

*When Affirmative Action Was White* by Ira Katznelson (W. W. Norton & Company, 2005).

*Women's Education in the Global Economy* by Miriam Ching Louie and Linda Burnham (Women of Color Resource Center, 2000).

*State of the Dream Report*. Published annually in January by UFE <[www.faireconomy.org/dream](http://www.faireconomy.org/dream)>.

## TAXES

*American Taxation, American Slavery* by Robin Einhorn (University of Chicago Press, 2006).

*The Cheating of America: How Tax Avoidance and Evasion by the Super Rich Are Costing the Country Billions — and What You Can Do About It* by Charles Lewis and Bill Allison and the Center for Public Integrity, (HarperCollins, 2001).

*Perfectly Legal: The Covert Campaign to Rig Our Tax System to Benefit the Super Rich – and Cheat Everybody Else* by David Cay Johnston (Portfolio, 2003).

*Taxing the Poor: Doing Damage to the Truly Disadvantaged* by Katherine S. Newman, & Rourke L. O'Brien (University of California Press, 2011).

*Who Pays - A Distributional Analysis of the Tax Systems in All 50 States, 4th Edition* by the Institute on Taxation & Economic Policy (January, 2013) <[www.itepnet.org/whopays.htm](http://www.itepnet.org/whopays.htm)>.

## WEALTH

*99 to 1: How Wealth Inequality Is Wrecking the World and What We Can Do about It* by Chuck Collins (Berrett-Kohler Publishers, 2012).

*Capitalism in the 21st Century* by Thomas Piketty (Harvard University Press, 2014).

*Free Lunch: How the Wealthiest Americans Enrich Themselves at Government Expense (and Stick You With the Bill)* by David Cay Johnston (Portfolio, 2007).

\* *Robin Hood Was Right: A Guide to Giving Your Money for Social Change* by Chuck Collins and Pam Rogers (Norton, 2000).

*The Monster: How a Gang of Predatory Lenders and Wall Street Bankers Fleeced America—and Spawned a Global Crisis*, by Michael Hudson (Times, 2010).

\* *The Self-Made Myth* by Brian Miller and Mike Lapham (Berrett-Koehler Publishers, 2012).

\* *The Wealth Inequality Reader, 4th Edition* edited by Linda Pinkow, Sam Pizzigati, & the Dollars & Sense Collective. (Dollars & Sense 2012).

Titles that are preceded by an asterisk (\*) may be ordered from Dollars & Sense <[www.dollarsandsense.org](http://www.dollarsandsense.org)>. Other titles are available at Powells, the independent on-line bookstore <[www.powells.com](http://www.powells.com)>.