Learn More … Social Entrepreneurship and Social Enterprise

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Web Resources—Social Enterprises

AuroLab: http://202.71.144.97/aurolab/about1.htm Hospital and manufacturer of medical devices serving poor people, mainly in India.

Baby Academy http://www.ashoka.org/search/fellows Alternative preschool chain in the Middle East.

Barefoot MBA http://barefootmba.wordpress.com/about/ Program by Stanford University graduate business students to bring business savvy to undereducated entrepreneurs around the world.

Ciudad Saludable http://www.ciudadsaludable.org/es/english.htm Peruvian program that promotes and organizes for efficient solid waste management systems.


Delancey Street Project http://www.delanceystreetfoundation.org/ Criminal Rehabilitation Center in which residents run various business enterprises.

Development Aid From People to People in Zambia (DAPP) http://www.dappzambia.org/ A Zambian Registered Association working with development projects reaching out to thousands of people with information, training and direct support.

Development and Education Program for Daughters Community Center (DEPDC) http://www.depdc.org/ Education and socialization program for girls and women in Thailand who would otherwise be forced into prostitution.


Homeboy Industries http://www.homeboy-industries.org/ Several successful businesses run by former gang members in Los Angeles--Homeboy Bakeries, Homegirl Café, Homeboy Maintenance, and more.

IDEAAS http://www.wdi.umich.edu/ResearchInitiatives/SocialEnterprise/AliazaONG/Eng/IDEAAS Works on sustainable development and environmental conservation initiatives in Brazil's rural areas.

Ruchika School Social Service Wing, Train Platform Schools http://www.ruchika.org/ Educational opportunities for indigent children in India.

Women’s Bean Project http://www.womensbeanproject.com/ Teaches job readiness and life skills for entry-level jobs through employment in our gourmet food production business.

Organizations that Specialize in Providing Direct Support to Social Entrepreneurs and Social Enterprise

Acumen Fund http://www.acumenfund.org/ Supports entrepreneurial approaches to solving global poverty by providing a blueprint for building financially sustainable and scalable organizations that deliver affordable, critical goods and services to the poor.
Ashoka  http://www.ashoka.org/home/index.cfm  Develops the profession of social entrepreneurship around the world by investing in people.

Draper Richards Foundation http://www.draperrichards.org/  Helps people create wide-reaching social change by providing funding and business mentoring to individuals and their non-profit organizations.

Echoing Green http://www.echoinggreen.org/  Sparks social change by identifying, providing startup grants, supporting, and connecting social entrepreneurs and their organizations.

GlobalGiving  http://www.globalgiving.com/  Enables individuals and companies to find and support social and economic development projects around the world.


Good Company Ventures  http://www.goodcompanyventures.org/  Catalyzes start-ups with innovative solutions to big, unmet social needs. GoodCompany entrepreneurs get a great place to work in Philadelphia, a community of like-minded entrepreneurs, and access to a network of capital sources and expert advisors. Champions models that offer investors both financial return and social impact.


New Profit Inc.  http://newprofit.com/  a venture philanthropy fund with individual donors and partner, Monitor Group. Provides multi-year financial and strategic support to social entrepreneurs working in education, youth development, public health, workforce development, and other areas.

Omidyar Network  http://www.omidyar.com/  a philanthrocapitalist investment firm that has committed more than $290 million to for-profit companies and nonprofit organizations that foster economic advancement and encourage individual participation across multiple investment areas, including microfinance, property rights, government transparency and social media.

Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship  http://schwabfound.weforum.org/sf/index.htm  Supports social entrepreneurship as a key element to advance societies and address social problems.

Skoll Foundation  http://www.skollfoundation.org  Advances systemic change to benefit communities around the world by investing in, connecting and celebrating social entrepreneurs. The foundation extends its mission through Social Edge, an online resource for the social entrepreneur community.

Social Enterprise Coalition  http://www.socialenterprise.org.uk/  Promotes social entrepreneurship and social enterprise in Great Britain.

Social Entrepreneur Corps  http://socialentrepreneurcorps.com/  Connects university students and recent graduates with opportunities to work on a grassroots level with professional international and local social entrepreneurs.

The George Foundation (TGF) http://www.tgfworld.org/  A non-governmental organization (NGO) the mission of which is to alleviate poverty, promote health and a clean environment, and strengthen democratic institutions and values in India.

UnLtd.  http://www.unltd.org.uk/  Supports social entrepreneurs by providing a complete package of funding and support, to help social entrepreneurs make their ideas a reality.

**General Resources for Research on Social Change Organizations**

Changemakers.net [http://www.changemakers.net/] Inspires change by providing resources in an online community that competes to find the best solutions to social problems, then collaborates to refine, enrich and implement them.

Charity Navigator [http://www.charitynavigator.org/] Evaluates the financial health of over 5,400 of America's largest charities.

Chronicle of Philanthropy – online newspaper [http://philanthropy.com/] Print and online newspaper covering the world of nonprofits


Indealist.org [http://www.idealist.org] Helps members and supporters find practical solutions to social and environmental problems by connecting people, organizations and resources

The New Heroes. PBS Four-hour Series that tells the stories of twelve social entrepreneurs who bring innovative, empowering solutions to the most intractable social problems around the world. [http://www.pbs.org/opb/thenewheroes/about/]

OneWorld.net [http://us.oneworld.net/] Online media gateway designed to inform about human rights and sustainable development worldwide.

Social Entrepreneurs PBS/FRONLINE World Film Series. [http://www.pbs.org/frontlineworld/stories/socialentrepreneurs.html] Stories of people whose ideas and organizations create new and sustainable markets and services that benefit underserved communities in the developing world.

**Social Entrepreneur/Enterprise Research Based in Universities**

Center for Social Innovation (CSI) at Stanford Graduate School of Business. [http://www.gsb.stanford.edu/csi] Promotes solutions through interdisciplinary research, teaching beyond the classroom and efforts to engage with those who lead social change.

Center for the Advancement of Social Entrepreneurship at Duke University’s Fuqua School of Business [http://www.caseatduke.org/] Explores adapting business concepts, tools and skills to the social sector in appropriate, practical and effective ways, increasing awareness on a local, national and international level.


Global Sustainable and Social Enterprise Colorado State University Graduate School of Business [http://www.biz.colostate.edu/gsse/pages/default.aspx] Educating students on how to use private enterprise to address global economic development.

Skoll Center for Social Entrepreneurship at Oxford University [http://www.sbs.ox.ac.uk/skoll/] Promotes the advancement of social entrepreneurship worldwide.
Educates leaders by integrating social enterprise-related research, teaching and activities.

**Books**


International Perspectives on Social Entrepreneurship Research (Revised). Palgrave MacMillan. 2009 [on order]


