



Selected bibliography: Africa

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The end of poverty : economic possibilities for our time / Jeffrey D. Sachs. - New York : The Penguin Press, 2005. - 396 p. ISBN: 1594200459

This book attempts to draw a map of world economic wealth and to explain why wealth has diverged across the planet. Based on the author's experience, it aims at offering an integrated set of solutions to the interwoven economic, political, environmental, and social problems that hold societies back most frequently.

For more information: <http://www.earthinstitute.columbia.edu/endofpoverty/>

HIV/AIDS in Africa : a brief overview of the global context. - London : New Philanthropy Capital, 2005. - 41 p.

This report provides detailed contextual information and analysis that is required to understand HIV/AIDS on a regional and global scale. It is aimed at donors who wish to fund projects to help those affected by HIV/AIDS in Africa. The report also examines the ensuing social needs, types of response in operation, and the results generated by such interventions. Experienced funders can use this report as a starting point for debate and further research.

For information: <http://www.philanthropycapital.org/index.php>

Out of the shadows : HIV/AIDS in Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo and Rwanda : a guide for donors and funders. - Brussels : King Baudouin Foundation, 2005. - 64 p.

The report provides guidance to donors funding projects to help those affected by HIV/AIDS in those countries. It highlights the extent of the pandemic, resulting needs, types of responses and the outcomes of interventions carried out by a wide spectrum of donors, including private individuals, companies and grantmakers. The report is a useful resource for newcomers to the subject as well as for experienced funders, which can treat the guide as a starting point for debate and further research

www.kbs-frb.be/files/db/en/PUB%5F1495%5F%20HIV%5FReport%5FApril%5F2005.pdf

For information: www.kbs-frb.be/code/page.cfm?id_page=153&ID=341

The poor philanthropist : how and why the poor help each other / Susan Wilkinson-Maposa, Alan Fowler, Ceri Oliver-Evans, [et al.]. - Cape Town : The Southern Africa-United States Centre for Leadership and Public Values, 2005. - 133 p. ISBN: 1920051244

This monograph documents the results of a qualitative research inquiry conducted by the Building Community Philanthropy Project (BCP) into the philanthropic behaviour of the poor. It documents the comparative findings across Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa and Zimbabwe. Describing the ethos of help among the poor, it explores how philanthropy is organised, its purpose, rules of engagement, form and content, its actors and the motivations behind it.

Available online: http://www.gsb.uct.ac.za/gsbwebb/userfiles/Poor_philanthropist_screen.pdf

Making a difference in Africa: advice from experienced grantmakers / Rob Buchanan, Jayne Booker. - Washington : Council on Foundations, 2004. - 125 p. ISBN: 1932677208

Recent changes in Africa point to opportunities for foundations and corporate grantmakers in the support of institutions both within and outside of Africa to play a role in the continent's positive development. This book, based on interviews with 50 foundations and corporate officers from 33 foundations, seeks to present a balanced picture of Africa by highlighting the many opportunities from grantmakers to become involved in the continent in effective and rewarding ways.

For more information: <http://www.cof.org/Publications/Detail.cfm?ProductID=3014>

Funding for Health in Africa: Mapping the United States Foundation Landscape / The Africa Grantmakers' Affinity Group, 2004 – 65 p.

This report gives an overview of United States based foundations funding health-related activities in Africa for the three-year period from 2000 through 2002. It describes funding to countries and regions in Africa and examines the amount of funding and the number of grants made for seven general health categories and eight general funding areas. It aims to serve as a resource for funders already supporting health in Africa, funders interested in becoming involved in supporting health and health-related activities in Africa and other stakeholders.

For more information: <http://www.efc.be/agenda/event.asp?EventID=2690>

Health funding in Africa: mapping the landscape / Denise Hizette [et. al.]. - Brussels : The European Foundation Centre, 2003. - 43 p.

The European Foundation Centre (EFC) and the African Grantmakers Affinity Group (AGAG) collaborated on a project to study the funding given to health programs on the African continent from European and United States based foundations. This report contains the results of eight weeks of study of the European foundations by the EFC on the foundations funding the projects, the non-governmental organizations undertaking them, and the European-based governmental organizations involved.

<http://www.efc.be/agenda/event.asp?EventID=2713>

HIV/AIDS in South Africa : a guide for donors and grant-makers / Justin Alexander, Iona Joy. - London : New Philanthropy Capital, 2003. - 54 p.

This report aims to provide a guide for donors who wish to fund projects to help those affected by HIV/AIDS in South Africa. Its purpose is to provide the detailed contextual information and analysis required to understand the extent of the pandemic, resulting social needs, types of response in operation, and the outcomes generated by such interventions.

For information: www.philanthropycapital.org/index.php

An introduction to the non-profit sector in Ghana / Andrew Kingman, Kofi Awity. - London : Allavida, 2003. - 67 p. ISBN: 1904167055

This report is aimed at donors who are interested in understanding the non-profit sector in Ghana and its funding needs. It describes the range of non-governmental organisations, sources and scale of funding, a limited amount of statistical data, and some tax and legal information. There is also background information on the Ghanaian politics, people and economy as well as a list of useful organisations.

For more information: <http://www.allavida.org/publications.html>

Foundation building sourcebook: a practitioners guide based upon experience from Africa, Asia, and Latin America / A. Scott Dupree, David Winder. - New York : The Synergos Institute, 2000. - 332 p.

This sourcebook contains rules, management materials, and tips for individuals or organisations who wish to set up a foundation. Research and studies on foundations in various areas of the world are also included. Appendices list further organisations, reading and educational resources.

For more information: <http://www.synergos.org/globalphilanthropy/publications/sourcebook.htm>

An introduction to the non-profit sector in Nigeria / Innocent Diala Nwoga. - Kent: Charities Aid Foundation (CAF), 2000. - 84 p. ISBN: 1859340660

This report is aimed at donors who are interested in understanding the non-profit sector in Nigeria. It profiles the sector and also describes its needs and the options for foreign grantmaking. There is also background information on Nigerian politics, people and economy as well as a list of useful organisations and those that offer third sector support. It concludes with a typology of third sector activity.

For more information: <http://www.allavida.org/publications.html>

Working with the non-profit sector in South Africa / Helle Christiansen Cawthra, Gerald Kraak, Ntibi Maepa. - Kent: Charities Aid Foundation (CAF), 2000. - 264 p. ISBN: 1859341330

This collection of essays is aimed at donors who are interested in understanding the non-profit sector in South Africa. It profiles the sector in-depth and also describes its needs and the options for foreign grantmaking. There is also background information on politics, people and economy in South Africa as well as a list of useful organisations and those that offer third sector support. It concludes with a typology of third sector activity.

For more information: <http://www.cafonline.org/cafsouthernafrica/default.cfm?page=publications>

Illuminating best practice in resource mobilisation by private grantmaking foundations in Southern Africa: case study: foundation for the western region of Zimbabwe. - [s.l.] : Centre for Policy Studies, [200?]. - 17 p.

The best practice examined in this paper is the Community Foundation for the Western Region of Zimbabwe's system of mobilising funds from rural communities to finance an endowment intended for community development. The case study is based on interviews with members of staff, the Board of Trustees and people involved in some of the projects that the foundation is funding. Staff from an associated organisation that was pivotal in the launch of the foundation have also been interviewed.

Available online: <http://www.donors.org.za/documents/2004/CSROCasestudy-Zim2.doc>

Illuminating best practice in resource mobilisation by private grantmaking foundations in Southern Africa: case study: the Rössing Foundation of Namibia. - [s.l.] : Centre for Policy Studies, [200?]. - 19 p.

Case study of a corporate social responsibility programme which aims to identify key elements of best practice that might assist other grantmaking foundations in the region to become more effective and strengthen the impact of their programmes. The central research question aimed to discover what factors contributed to the organisation's success in resource mobilisation and which of these factors are potentially replicable in other settings.

Available online: <http://www.donors.org.za/documents/2004/CSROCasestudy-Nam.doc>

Defining the nonprofit sector : Ghana / Lawrence Atingdui. - Baltimore : The Johns Hopkins University Center for Civil Society Studies, 1995. - 27 p. - (Working Papers of the Johns Hopkins Comparative Nonprofit Sector Project; 14).

Ghana's nonprofit sector includes very different types of organisations reflecting the country's traditional cultures, colonial past, and uneven economic and political course since independence. It includes indigenous grassroots, government-sponsored community development, church-related & Islamic welfare, international development & relief organisations, to mention a few. This paper discusses the terms most frequently used to depict organisations, the historical & legal background and the sector's relationship with the state.

For more information: <http://www.jhu.edu/~ccss/pubs/cnpwork/>