

A Sampling of Additional information sources for FAST Brochure, 2006

Websites

Center on Budget & Policy Priorities www.cbpp.org

National research institute that conducts clear analysis of government policies and programs. Offers detailed assessment of the effect of budget decisions on low-income families and individuals. Also provides analysis of tax cut effects on US millionaires and their related effects on all others. Can access their research by state, by date of legislation, by subject (e.g. low income housing). Excellent resource and will usually provide everything you need by way of solid information.

Fiscal Policy Institute www.fiscalpolicy.org

Nonpartisan research and educational organization that focuses on tax, budget, economic and related public policy issues. They include all data to support their research, including many tables and figures. Their focused research on policy issues as they effect New Yorker's is uniquely helpful. (e.g. 1/1/06 Report: "Increase in the Minimum Wage: A Preliminary Assessment".) Their publications and reports are posted and available online.

Responsible Wealth www.responsiblewealth.org

National network of businesspeople, investors and affluent Americans who are concerned about deepening economic inequality and are working for widespread prosperity for all. They cite as their three main areas of work: tax fairness, corporate responsibility, living wages. They provide credible and well documented analysis of US tax policies, especially helpful as they include in their analysis, the economic fallacies inherent in policy decisions favoring the rich over the poor and middle class. Includes action alerts and how we can join their efforts. Their Newsletter can be downloaded (PDF).

United for a Fair Economy www.FairEconomy.org

National, independent organization founded in 1994 to focus attention and action on economic inequality in the U.S. In addition to analysis of cause/effect of wealth inequality, site provides action opportunities and lots of graphics illustrating the issues. Everything presented in VERY understandable, lay terms. Sign up for their free monthly e-newsletter.

Print

The Wealth Inequality Reader, edited by Dollars & Sense and United for a Fair Economy. Dollars and Sense, 2004.

One-of-a-kind presentation of causes, consequences, and strategies to change, the growing wealth inequality in the US. Emphasis is on the practical, with clear presentation of the information, including lots of data, charts, and compelling graphics. (See example taken from the text, included with your packet of resources).

Economic Apartheid in America: A Primer on Economic Inequality & Insecurity, by Chuck Collins and Felice Yeskel. The New Press, 2005.

This updated version of their earlier primer examines current changes in income and wealth distribution as well as the economic policies and shifts of power that fuel the growing divide. EXPERT presentation on the Government and Corporate agenda driving wealth disparity, truly underscoring the "two sets of rules" that govern the US today.