

Women Vision Money

An Introduction to Financial Literacy as a Spiritual, Political and Economic Practice for Women in America

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WOMEN AND A NEW ECONOMIC PARADIGM

As the inspiration for the world-wide spread of capitalism and the attendant problems, America can also bring healing to the global economic life. Women in the West

have an important role to play in meeting the spiritual, political and economic challengesof globalization and its local impact on community life.The concerns of women and for their capacities conceiving, nurturing and fostering new life are dramatically empowered through developing an understanding of modern financial skills and the mature ways capitalism. Healing the

economy can occur through each woman taking up her vision in a supportive community of finanical literacy and skills development. In this four-day workshop each woman will—

1. Clarify her vision and her current project to express her mission in life.

2. Develop **plans** for implementing her project.

Understand the importance of accounting and bookkeeping in accomplishing her vision.

4. Explore a new model of *associative* economics

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Our time together will be artistic, playful and process oriented with grounding in planning and financial skills development.

Follow-up programs will be offered to support the

participants in staying **true** to their vision, strengthening financial skills and developing full plans for **funding** their initiatives.

omen, who play an important role in America,
will develop a faculty that will enable them to open themselves
to a life of spirit and culture. Their ability to perceive the spirit is due to their
disposition centered in the rhythmic human nature, in the heart. This will help them to
attain the possibility of influencing American \$ civilization in a spiritual way, thus
adding a spiritual viewpoint to the materialistic, mechanistic consciousness. . . .

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DEAR FRIENDS,

It is the Summer of 2002 and all around us we can witness the way in which accounting, bookkeeping and financial manipulation challenge our global and local stability. The collapse of Enron, Worldcom, Quest, Zerox reflect the tip of the iceberg. The books are being cooked and humanity is paying the price. The good news is that we now can see, know what is happening and begin the work of becoming accountable and financially literate, ourselves.

Simultaneously, the World Bank, International Monetary Fund, and World Trade Organization are being called to accounts for the social and environmental degradation caused by their lack of attention to the true costs of unconscious globalization.

Locally, in California, acre
after after falls to development; public
education bears the weight of short sighted funding plans and increasing
governmental regulation of curriculum and "green" policies struggle to
keep up with the demand for a better return.

The modern priests of finance are *empowered* by the average person's *lack* of financial literacy—innocent investments are made without understanding how to read a profit and loss statement or balance sheet; purchases are made without a full awareness of the environmental damage associated with the products consumed; community development staggers under the hunger for increased profits at the expense of children, land and labor—our shared future is comprimised.

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And most disturbing is that those who would do good, make the difference, provide a path through the thicket of so-called *market* forces are often the least equipped to do so. Lack of clear planning, lack of adequate funding and lack of financial literacy can comprise the best of intentions. Visions require a structure to grow, cash flow to nurture and accountablity to assure success.

We are three women and we have a vision. We want to offer an educational program to support those who see the future and are eager to bring healing to the many areas of concern in our times. We want to create a supportive environment where "cultural creatives," "new progressives," and visionaries can learn the spiritual, social and economic skills they need to fulfill their tasks.

We will *start* with the women for we believe that much of the current financial paradigm we are currently living with is the result of disallowing women's concerns in the development of monetary policy and Western colonization. We believe that women's consciousness, often disconnected from financial and economic literacy, is ripe for addressing the world-in-crisis. We want to make sure that their gifts are made available and sustainable in the world.

We will also offer our programs to girls, to men and boys for we know that the requirements of making our daily bread, fulfilling one's mission in life are not gender, class, or ethnically determined.

It is a human right to stand for the future; it is a human right to give voice to a vision. It is a human right to be spiritually, politically and economically supported in serving one's star. We begin with the women and we make our way to the whole community.

Sincerely

Tamara Slayton, Oona Mourier, Bari Tessler for Women Vision Money







ABOUT THE FACILITATORS

Tamara Slayton, mother, artist, author, educator and founder of the Menstrual Health Foundation, Womankind, the Coming of Age Project and the director of the Initiative for the Renewal of Modern Culture, has a lifetime of experience as a visionary and entrepreneur. In the development of a number of businesses, she has encountered the challenges a woman faces in birthing new thinking within our current culture-in-transition. She has recently completed her training in Associative Economics and is currently in the process of securing the Associative Economics Guarantee Mark.

Oona Mourier, PhD is president of Sensual Signatures, Inc, as well as a therapeutic sexologist in private and group practice. She integrates her understanding of women's sexual healing with their financial liberation. As author, educator and entrepreneur, she carries a vision of women who are financially empowered to bring healing to this planet, children and families.

Bari Tessler, MA, in Body-centered/movement therapy and bookkeeper entrepreneur. Her journey has taken her from the field of mental health into her own bookkeeping business. She now weaves together the practices of listening to the body and financial literacy into one path. She is currentlysharing and teaching people how to set up and maintain their 'books' as a way to assist them in being who they came here to be and staying connected to the rhythm of their bodies.

ASSOCIATIVE ECONOMICS

A PATH BEYOND COMPETITION

The associative approach to economics is based on the idea that economic life is the responsibility of every human being in collaboration with humanity as a whole. It proceeds from what we think and do, rather than by way of abstract forces. Associative economics is about making this responsibility conscious and finding ways to give it effect in practical life.

www.associative-economics.com

Schedule for Workshop
Thursday-Sunday
10am-5pm
Potluck or brown bag lunch
or dining in local restaurants
Refreshments and
snacks available



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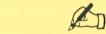
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How to REGISTER FOR WOMEN VISION MONEY

Please send in \$50 deposit to enroll. Total fee is \$450 and is due one week before the workshop. Make payment to the IRMC (Initiative for the Renewal of Modern Culture, 501c-3) and enclose registration form. Scholarships available.

Please email Tamara Slayton for further information at <u>tslayton@sonic.net</u> or call 707-824-5681 or contact Oona Mourier, <u>onsky@aol.com</u>, 707-824-0926.

There are some lodging accommodations available at workshop site, Natura's Farm and Community Development Center as well as the Holiday Express Inn in Sebastopol, California. Please inquire if you need lodging.



REGISTRATION INFORMATION



Please email or snail mail the following information prior to attending the workshop. You will be sent a Pre-Workshop Preparation

Packet upon receiving deposit. Thank you.

Name:		
Address:	1	
Phone Number/Email: ——		



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