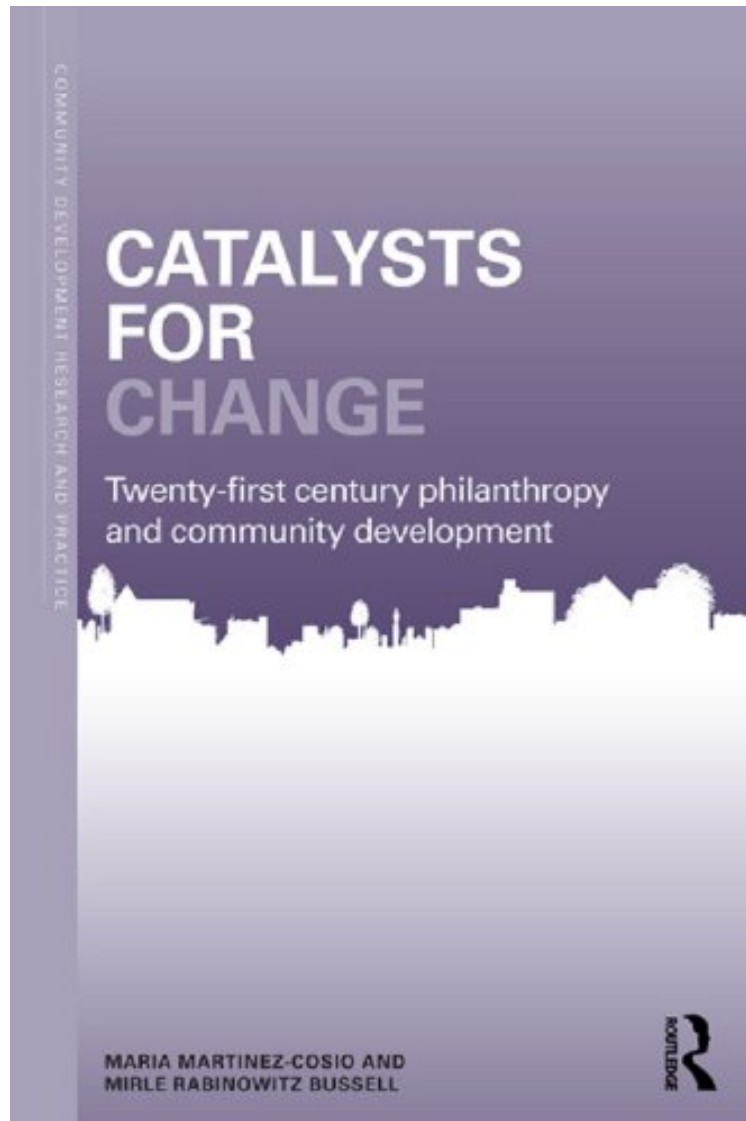


[Download] Catalysts for Change: 21st Century Philanthropy and Community Development (Community Development Research and Practice Series)

Catalysts for Change: 21st Century Philanthropy and Community Development (Community Development Research and Practice Series)

Maria Martinez-Cosio, Mirle Rabinowitz Bussell
ebooks | Download PDF | *ePub | DOC | audiobook



DOWNLOAD



READ ONLINE

#2912637 in eBooks 2013-05-29 2013-05-29 File Name: B00G6MP4FW | File size: 62.Mb

Maria Martinez-Cosio, Mirle Rabinowitz Bussell : Catalysts for Change: 21st Century Philanthropy and Community Development (Community Development Research and Practice Series) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Catalysts for Change: 21st Century Philanthropy and Community Development (Community Development Research and Practice Series):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Dissecting philanthropy at the grass roots level and assessing effects after all these years. By Jim Bliesner Dr's Cosio and Bussell have done an excellent job of analyzing the role and impacts of two San Diego charities, Price and Jacobs) on two respective neighborhoods. They effectively describe some of the way things were before they came and what they tried to do and provide even some reflection on the impacts (positive and negative). The heavy hands on approach of these two foundations are different even to allow comparisons. The point of comparison most telling is the level and content of community engagement. To what extent did residents share in the effort and the benefits of each? And therein is the reason to read the book. The assumption is that these patrons adopting low income neighborhoods is beneficial. Is it? What can be and have been the impacts of how they do it? How is it assumed that a foundation is equipped to intervene in peoples lives, all well intended, and do it with some skill, knowledge and "grow" the economic circumstances and the social systems of the residents. Can they do it better than government? What is the role of government as partner in these efforts other than an open purse? These two authors do an excellent job of weaving through opinions and facts, provide a very objective assessment and leave the reader with a lot more knowledge about communities, philanthropy and community development than might ever be imagined. I highly recommend this book to city planners, students of same, philanthropy staff and boards, as well as participants at the community level of any community revitalization effort whether headed up by non profit, government or other philanthropies which may be attempting to develop programming. Great read!

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This is an interesting and useful book examining foundation involvement in comprehensive community initiatives for ... By Shawn Flanigan This is an interesting and useful book examining foundation involvement in comprehensive community initiatives for community development. Drawing upon years of research and very rich data, the book presents two detailed case studies that serve as instructive examples, with a strong comparative analysis of the two. The authors' primary theoretical contribution is the application of systems theory to philanthropy in community development, something sorely missing in the field. Readers new to this area of research will appreciate the great historical account of foundation involvement in community development, and strong overview of various types of organizations and foundations in the sector and their modes of philanthropy. This book is very readable and will be useful to students, researchers, and practitioners whether new to the field of community development or experienced veterans.

Winner of the Community Development Society's 2014 Current Research Award! 21st Century Philanthropy and Community fills a gap in the literature on philanthropic organizations and how they intertwine with community development. Drawing first on the history of philanthropic funding, Maria Martinez-Cosio and Mirle Bussell look at developments in the last twenty years in detail, focussing on five key case studies from across America. The authors use their own first hand experiences and research to forge a new path for academic research in an area where it has been lacking. With the current economic climate forcing shrewd spending, foundations need all the guidance they can find on how to appropriately channel their funds in the best way. But how can these sorts of community projects be analyzed for effectiveness? Is there a quantitative rather than qualitative element which can be studied to give real feedback to those investing in projects? Arguing against a one-size-fits-all model, the authors illustrate the importance of context and relationships in the success of these projects.