



LOCAL SUSTAINABLE EMPLOYMENT

FOCUS ON COMMUNITY NETWORKING

<http://video.pbs.org/video/1650808108/>

**Do we want a system where people serve the economy or a place where the economy serves people?**

GDP vs GNH

22,000 businesses in US dedicated to sustainability

Bellingham Washington

600 businesses doing business locally

Building relationships - a local Living economy

Woodstone Pizza Ovens

Lummi Island Wild Salmon

solar powered winches

drop nets in current to catch salmon

<http://www.usworker.coop/front>

Local Non Profit banks

Bremer Bank Investing in local people

Charity Owner/Employee owned

300 Worker Co-Ops across US generate 400 Million in Revenue, supporting 1000s of jobs

Cleveland Ohio Evergreen

Laundry co-op marketing to bigger institutions because it is good for the local economy (hospital)

Austin Texas Yo Mama's Catering – 4 women working together

Time Banking one time dollar = one hour of service all service is equal

economists think it is crazy

IRS considers it a non-commercial transaction therefore not taxable

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