



## THE ECONOMIC CRISIS: AN ANNOTATED RESOURCE LIST

*A lot has been written and said over the last month about the causes of the Wall Street meltdown and the remedies required. Here's our sifting through the chattering and several recommendations. To access the links, visit [www.extremeinequality.org](http://www.extremeinequality.org) and look at the home page.*

### **ANALYSIS: HOW DID IT HAPPEN?**

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#### **AUDIO: This American Life “Great Big Pools of Money”**

Terrific radio journalism exploring the human and systemic dimensions of the current financial crisis. Download an mp3 file or listen on-line. Transcript also available.

[http://www.thislife.org/Radio\\_Episode.aspx?episode=355](http://www.thislife.org/Radio_Episode.aspx?episode=355)

**VIDEO: CSPAN: “Market Meltdown: The Bailout, Inequality and the Election”** –a 50 minute session moderated by Chuck Collins of the Institute for Policy Studies. Speakers Dean Baker, Center for Economic and Policy Research, Barbara Ehrenreich, author of *Nickel and Dimed*, and Jared Bernstein, Economic Policy Institute.

<http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=1799828763957317166&hl=en>

#### **ARTICLE: Sara Robinson, “Firing Back on the CRA Libel”**

“Conservatives are twisting the facts with a revisionist history about the Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) that encourages lending in low-income communities.”

<http://www.ourfuture.org/print/29502>

#### **ARTICLE: Walden Bello, “Wall Street Meltdown Primer.”**

Filipino sociologist Walden Bello provides a global perspective on financial bubbles and the crisis of overproduction in capitalism leading to the current crisis.

<http://www.fpif.org/fpiftxt/5560>

## **SOLUTIONS: WHAT CAN WE DO?**

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**BRIEF: “Sensible Plan For Recovery,” from the Institute for Policy Studies**

Download a 4-page PDF overview of a comprehensive plan to stabilize Main Street as well as the banking system. <http://www.ips-dc.org/reports/#752>

**BRIEF: Towards Shared Recovery.** Coalition on Human Needs and the Emergency Campaign for Americas Priorities. September 9, 2008.

<http://www.chn.org/pdf/2008/stimulus9908.pdf>

**ARTICLE: “Ten Ways to Bailout Wall Street (and Main Street) without Soaking the Taxpayer”** by Chuck Collins and Dedrick Muhammad. Where to find \$900 billion without adding more to the National Debt.

<http://www.alternet.org/workplace/100223/>

**ARTICLE: David Korten, “Beyond the Bailout: Agenda for a New Economy,”** *YES! Magazine* Winter 2009. Available at:

<http://www.yesmagazine.org/beyondbailouts>.

**COMIC BOOK: Coming in December: “The Economic Meltdown Funnies”** by Chuck Collins and Nick Thorkelson. Stay tuned to [www.extremeinequality.org](http://www.extremeinequality.org) for details.