

## Becoming a Leader/Organizer Reading List

Full list of writings by Marshall Ganz	To access a broad range of writings, teachings, research, and ideas about the practice of organizing, please visit the Marshall Ganz website:  <a href="http://marshallganz.com/publications/">http://marshallganz.com/publications/</a>
David Walls, <i>Community Organizing</i> , Polity Press, 2015	This resource published by Polity highlights a variety of approaches. The book offers a discussion of worldview, with focusing examples of Barak Obama as the first organizing president and details a case study of Montgomery and busing.  <a href="https://www.amazon.com/Community-Organizing-Social-Movements-David/dp/0745663206">https://www.amazon.com/Community-Organizing-Social-Movements-David/dp/0745663206</a>
<i>A Day in the Life of an Organizer</i>	The Resurrection Project, whose mission is to build relationships and create health communities, offers this web-based narrative documenting an exploration of power and transformative moments. Visit the link below to access the conversation on how organizing creates changes in the world. There is also a newsletter to inspire ongoing involvement.  <a href="http://resurrectionproject.org/day-life-organizer/">http://resurrectionproject.org/day-life-organizer/</a>
<i>Lessons from Freedom Summer: Ordinary People Building Extraordinary Movements</i> by K. Emery et al.	<i>Lessons from Freedom Summer</i> is a paperback published by Common Courage Press (2008) That provides the historical context to the Freedom Schools of Mississippi in 1964. It tells the story of how the four major civil rights organizations ended up joining together in Mississippi to break the back of segregation in the South. It is a case study illustrating important elements that are crucial to the success of a social movement. It behooves social justice advocates today to know these lessons if we are to contribute to the creation of the next social movement.

<p><i>Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Around: Forty Years of Movement Building</i> with Barbara Smith, Alethia Jones</p>	<p>As an organizer, writer, publisher, scholar-activist, and elected official, Barbara Smith has played key roles in multiple social justice movements, including Civil Rights, feminism, lesbian and gay liberation, anti-racism, and Black feminism. Her four decades of grassroots activism forged collaborations that introduced the idea that oppression must be fought on a variety of fronts simultaneously, including gender, race, class, and sexuality. By combining hard-to-find historical documents with new unpublished interviews with fellow activists, this book uncovers the deep roots of today's "identity politics" and "intersectionality" and serves as an essential primer for practicing solidarity and resistance.</p>
<p><i>Building a Movement to End the New Jim Crow: An organizing Guide</i> By Daniel Hunter</p>	<p>Expanding on the call to action in Michelle Alexander's acclaimed best-seller, <i>The New Jim Crow</i>, this accessible organizing guide puts tools in your hands to help you and your group understand how to make meaningful, effective change. Learn about your role in movement-building and how to pick and build campaigns that contribute towards a bigger mass movement against the largest penal system in the world. This important new resource offers examples from this and other movements, time-tested organizing techniques, and vision to inspire, challenge, and motivate.</p> <p>Visit New Jim Crow Organizing: <a href="http://www.newjimcroworganizing.org/">http://www.newjimcroworganizing.org/</a></p>
<p><i>Will School-Discipline Reform Actually Change Anything?</i>  -The Atlantic</p>	<p>Districts from Los Angeles to New York City are experimenting with new policies designed to eliminate zero-tolerance discipline. But the reality is often a lot different than the idea. To learn more, visit:</p> <p><a href="https://www.theatlantic.com/education/archive/2015/09/will-school-discipline-reform-actually-change-anything/405157/">https://www.theatlantic.com/education/archive/2015/09/will-school-discipline-reform-actually-change-anything/405157/</a></p>
<p><i>Building Nonprofit Capacity: A Guide to Managing Change Through Organizational Lifecycles</i> by Brothers and Sherman</p>	<p>Expanding on the call to action in Michelle Alexander's acclaimed best-seller, <i>The New Jim Crow</i>, this accessible organizing guide puts tools in your hands to help you and your group understand how to make meaningful, effective change. Visit the link below to learn about your role in movement-building and how to pick and build campaigns that contribute towards a bigger mass movement against the largest penal system in the world. This important new resource offers examples from this and other movements, time-tested organizing techniques, and vision to inspire, challenge, and motivate.</p> <p><a href="http://www.newjimcroworganizing.org/">http://www.newjimcroworganizing.org/</a></p>

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