

Asset-Building Resources for Faith-Based Organizations

One way to tap faith communities' unique asset-building potential is to educate as many people as possible about the importance of assets. Create a library of asset-building resources that can give your members new ideas and insights into how to build assets in your faith community. Here are a few resources to get you started:

- ♥ Building Assets in Congregations: A Practical Guide for Helping Youth Grow Up Healthy—This in-depth guide offers everything you'll need to create an asset-building congregation, including ideas, tips, and reproducible bulletin inserts. Perfect for youth workers, clergy, volunteers, and others.
- ♥ Building Assets, Strengthening Faith: An Intergenerational Survey for Congregations—This Web-based survey allows congregations to find out how they are doing in nurturing faith and building assets in children, youth, and families. The survey asks congregation members their perceptions of the congregation, its priorities, its growth, and how it is making a difference in the broader community.
- ♥ Get on Board! Presentations and Activities for Introducing Asset Building in Congregations—This book details activities congregations and religious groups can use to discover the power of Developmental Assets for inspiring and focusing their work with young people.
- ▼ The Handbook of Spiritual Development in Childhood and Adolescence—This book breaks new ground by articulating the state of knowledge in the area of childhood and adolescent spiritual development. Featuring a rich array of theory and research from an international assortment of leading social scientists in multiple disciplines, this book represents work from diverse traditions and approaches making it an invaluable resource for scholars across a variety of disciplines and organizations.
- ▼ Integrating Assets into Congregations: A Curriculum for Trainers—With
 this in-depth training curriculum, trainers can help teams from congregations integrate asset building throughout the congregation to
 strengthen their work with youth and families. This ready-to-use curriculum features flexible three-hour modules to meet the scheduling
 and learning needs of participants from all faiths.

All of the above resources and more are available from Search Institute: www.search-institute.org, 877-240-7251.

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