

Resources for building trust in America

Research and education

The Trust and Trustworthiness Project, based at Harvard University, is exploring how young people think about issues of trust in a media-drenched world, and how that might compare to earlier times or earlier generations, where findings exist. www.goodworkproject.org, 617-495-4342

The Saguaro Seminar is an ongoing initiative by Robert Putnam at Harvard University that focuses on expanding what we know about our levels of trust and community engagement and on developing strategies and efforts to increase this engagement. www.hks.harvard.edu/saguaro, 617-495-1148

Corporate watchdogs

Commercial Alert works to keep commercial culture within its proper sphere, and to prevent it from exploiting children and subverting the higher values of family, community, environmental integrity, and democracy. www.commercialalert.org, 202-387-8030

The Consumer Federation of America advances the interest of consumers through research, education, and advocacy. www.consumerfed.org, 202-387-6121

Corporate Accountability International engages in advocacy, grassroots organizing, research, and education to put an end to irresponsible corporate behavior around the world. www.stopcorporateabuse.org/cms, 800-688-8797

CorpWatch investigates and exposes corporate violations of human rights, environmental crimes, fraud, and corruption around the world. www.corpwatch.org, 510-271-8080

United for a Fair Economy raises awareness that concentrated wealth and power undermine the economy, corrupt democracy, deepen the racial divide, and tear communities apart. www.faireconomy.org, 617-423-2148

Government watchdogs

Common Cause is a nonpartisan citizens' lobbying organization promoting open, honest, and accountable government. www.commoncause.org, 202-833-1200

The Freedom of Information Center serves the general public and the media on questions about access to government documents and information. <http://infoic.org/foi-center>, 573-882-5736

The Center for Responsive Politics is a nonpartisan research group that tracks money in politics and the effect of money on elections and public policy. www.opensecrets.org, 202-857-0044

The Project on Government Oversight investigates and exposes corruption and other misconduct to achieve a more honest, open, and accountable federal government. www.pogo.org, 202-347-1122

Media watchdogs

The Annenberg Political Fact Check, based at the University of Pennsylvania, monitors the factual accuracy of what is said by major U.S. political players in the form of TV ads, debates, speeches, interviews, and news releases. www.factcheck.org, 202-879-6700

Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting works to invigorate the First Amendment by advocating for greater diversity in the press and by scrutinizing media practices that marginalize public interest, minority, and dissenting viewpoints. www.fair.org, 212-633-6700

The Freedom Forum is a nonpartisan, international foundation dedicated to free press, free speech, and free spirit for all people. www.freedomforum.org, 202-292-6100

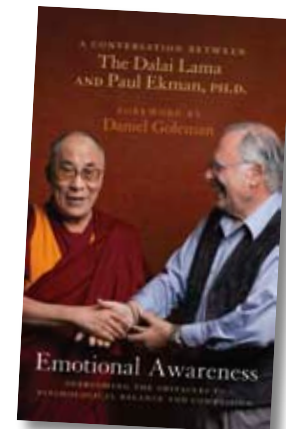
Free Press is a national nonpartisan organization working to increase informed public participation in crucial media policy debates, and to generate policies that will produce a more competitive and public interest-oriented media system with a strong nonprofit and noncommercial sector. www.freepress.net, 202-265-1490

The Pew Research Center is a nonpartisan "fact tank" that provides information on the issues, attitudes, and trends shaping America and the world. <http://pewresearch.org>, 202-419-4300

Project Censored is a media research group out of Sonoma State University which compiles an annual list of 25 news stories of social significance that have been overlooked, under-reported, or self-censored by the country's major national news media. www.projectcensored.org, 707-664-2500

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