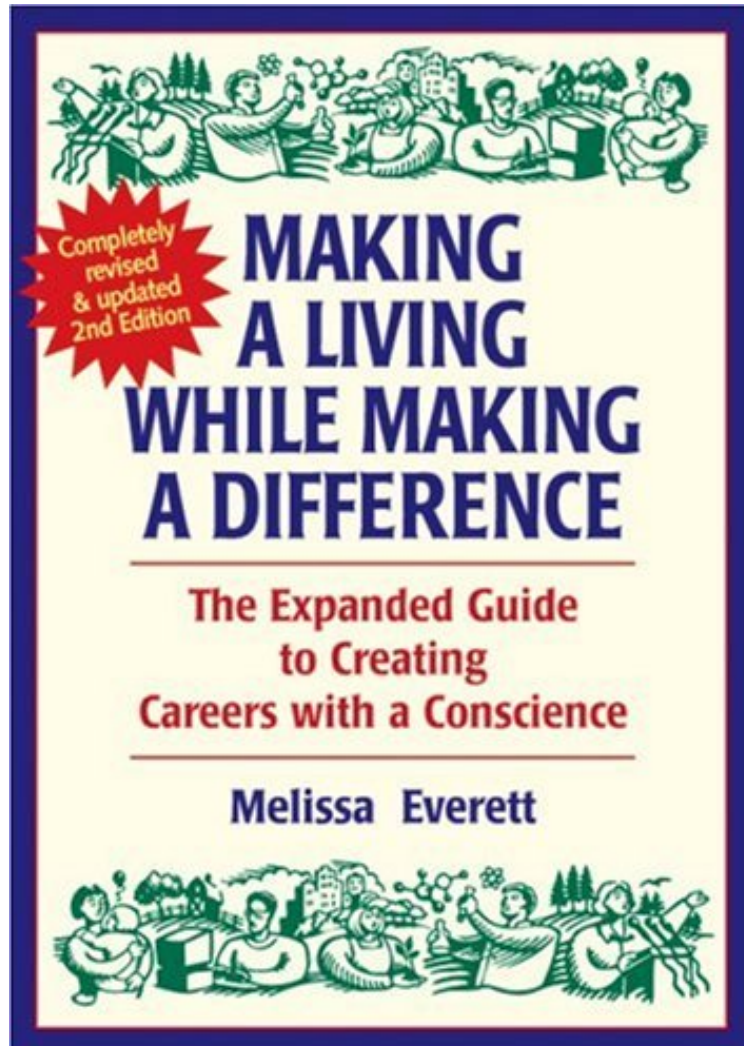


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5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Making a Life and Career of DifferenceBy Taj M. GreenleeAs you move through college you learn simple things like find out what makes you happy and do more of that. At least that's the way my undergraduate experience evolved. However, after reading Melissa Everett's book I realized that my happiness is not the only issue at hand in planning the shape of my career. We all have a responsibility to our families, communities, moral and ethical codes, as well as our dreams. If you've felt that you aren't participating in a larger pattern that connects your environment, family life, work life with a sense of responsibility, then you should read this

book. There are helpful and thoughtful reflective exercises, logical advice as well as tons of examples from real lives that illustrate how you can make change in your life toward deliberate responsibility and empowerment. The book examines our personal growth and maturation as well as our current situation through a series of workbook style exercises and clearly stated topics. If you are unhappy with work or your life, I would suggest you invest in this book. 55 of 66 people found the following review helpful. Biased towards environmental careers and not much else. By I. DaI'm going to offer a point of view different from the rest. I think this book focusses almost exclusively on environmental issues, and practically equates "making a difference" to "saving the environment". Well, yes, there are remarks about "improving society", but no clear path to doing any of those things. (...) The book does not contain any lead into careers that address world poverty or undernourished children or any of the other burning issues that affect the world everyday, unlike a dwindling dolphin population. Not that I don't think that a dwindling dolphin population is an important issue, but it is less important than starving children groping through some rubble heap in search of food. In fact, unless that part of the "starving population" is reeled out of poverty, they will continue to have dire impact on the environment faster than any socially-responsible fund manager can write out "green" dividend checks. This book provides "first-world denizens" the distorted view that fixing environmental issues is all there is to it (and calls itself "The Expanded Guide"). This is most likely related to the author's own background and focus on environmental issues. But it doesn't measure up for me. 15 of 18 people found the following review helpful. Excellent! By Ron Mader (From Planeta Journal) - This is a guide to "creating careers with a conscience." Can we ask for anything less? Authored by Melissa Everett, this second edition is an excellent resource guide for anyone interested in making the world a better place. The book provides a 10-step program for career development and offers advice to career counselors. It is an imaginative and valuable tool for anyone thinking about their career. Highly recommended.

While we are enjoying the lowest unemployment rate in decades, our need to mesh career with purpose is at an all-time high. And, as business and society continue to place greater emphasis on social and environmental responsibility, opportunities for career-seekers with a conscience have never been better. This completely revised second edition of *Making a Living While Making a Difference* updates the rapidly expanding career opportunities in socially responsible and green business, industry, commerce, and non-profits. Professional career counselor Melissa Everett guides the reader through a 10-step program for career development that stresses personal fulfillment, integrity, and contribution. Unlike traditional career guides that focus on defining skill areas, *Making a Living While Making a Difference* focuses on personal, social, and environmental values as the driving force for career decisions. Expanded and updated self-assessments, exercises, and visualizations point the reader toward defining their personal area of commitment. Compelling stories such as the origins of the Endangered Species Chocolate Company or the success of Stonyfield Farm, the feisty little yogurt company, illustrate how ordinary people are doing good and doing well. Everett provides a compassionate self-help framework for dealing with the unique challenges of establishing and maintaining a value-driven life/work career path. Whether a new job-seeker, job-changer, or someone who would like to make a difference right where they are, *Making a Living While Making a Difference* is the definitive "how-to-make-it-happen" guide for anyone who wants to customize their work lives to reflect their values more fully.

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This ten-step program for identifying personal goals and matching them with job strengths and employment avenues provides an excellent workbook for identifying personal values and matching them with job opportunities. Let go of work assumptions with the aid of this fine guide. -- Midwest Book From the Publisher  
 In a nonjudgmental, supportive style, Everett leads the reader through self-tests and checklists that help examine personal inclinations and goals for a career with a conscience, assess its feasibility, and distinguish realistic-idealistic goals from impractical-idealistic goals. Everett outlines a program for career development in eleven easy-to-follow steps that stress practicality, innovation, and vision. She gives tips for job-seekers, for job-changers, and even for those who want to revitalize their working lives while working with a conscience right where they are. With this guide, readers will become survivors in a challenging business climate as they face their dilemmas about doing good while doing well, develop multiple employment options, and vigorously cultivate their entrepreneurial skills and spirit. The book also predicts emerging, secure career fields around the world that will be environmentally sustainable, meet long-term basic needs, and reflect social values. Using trend analysis, detailed case studies, extensive resource lists, and numerous exercises, readers will learn how to discover and create myriad opportunities to make their job make a difference.

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