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Jennifer Iacovelli : Simple Giving: Easy Ways to Give Every Day before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Simple Giving: Easy Ways to Give Every Day:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful book with practical and simple ways to give back and help others every day. By Alexa Bigwarfe I believe we are all looking for ways to give back, but feel overwhelmed in our life commitments. Jennifer does an amazing job of providing a million ways (well maybe not a million, but plenty of them!) of how you can do small things in your daily life - sometimes even stuff you are already doing - and use those to support social projects and programs. She provides resources and ways to help you be able to give back and

help others without spending money or having to add extra volunteer hours to your day. The book is filled with stories and input from people who have changed their world by finding solutions to big problems - and help others. It's a lovely book for anyone trying to change the world for the better - in small and simple ways every day! GET IT! 10 of 0 people found the following review helpful. It is such a great inspiration to give back to others even if you ...By Documama I am giving everyone I know this book for the holidays! It is such a great inspiration to give back to others even if you don't have a lot of money to give. The author highlights different ways that anyone can make the world a better place with case studies from each of the 6 giving models that she clearly delineates in Simple Giving. I love how at the end of each giving model she gives clear steps as to how each of us could get started on giving back. Great book! A book like this has been missing from the market, and I am so glad that Simple Giving is here! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This is a great book. Makes it so simple and easy to ...By Sparkles and Dust This is a great book. Makes it so simple and easy to do more of what we innately all would like to do -- help others. It's easy to read and offers practical advice and real solutions that we can put into place immediately.

You can make a difference on a daily basis, and it's not as difficult as you might think. Simple Giving includes more than 40 ideas to make the world a better place. Most people think they have to donate a lot of time and money in order to make a difference. But there are simple ways to integrate giving into our personal and professional lives that don't involve either. In Simple Giving, Jennifer Iacovelli shows us how to make giving a part of our daily routines. It can involve something as simple as holding the door open for a stranger or paying someone else's toll, which will brighten that person's day. We can also think about ways to make sustainability and social good a part of our business models. After working in the nonprofit sector and soliciting and coordinating donations for ten years, Iacovelli became frustrated with the disconnect between givers and receivers. Givers (or potential givers) didn't realize how much of an impact they could make, while recipients couldn't thank the organization enough. In Simple Giving, Iacovelli inspires us with the stories of how people ranging from moms to social entrepreneurs are giving back in creative ways. By being more mindful of how our actions impact others and taking steps toward positive change, we also live happier and more fulfilled lives.

Simple Giving takes the whole concept of giving to another level entirely. It's refreshing, fun, and practical. And a most exhilarating new way to think about the impact of charity. Christiane Northrup, M.D., New York Times bestselling author of *Goddesses Never Age*; *Women's Bodies, Women's Wisdom*; and *The Wisdom of Menopause* "Every so often, a book comes along that makes you say, 'Yes!' Simple Giving does that. At some level, we all want to give. But how to do it effectively is often the challenge. Jennifer tells us that and much, much more. Simple Giving is a must-read (and a definite 'must act-upon.') A huge contribution to a much better world." Paul Dunn, cofounder and chairman of BIG1 (Buy 1 Give 1) "Each of us has opportunities in our lives to give, and Simple Giving asks us to determine what we are passionate enough about to get into action and help benefit someone else. Jennifer Iacovelli demystifies the idea that giving is only for those with huge amounts of money and loads of time, and distills it into chapters that introduce us to everyday people who have created legacies by their simple giving. This book is chock full of resources and ideas to help us realize how each one of us can be an everyday philanthropist through daily giving opportunities." Linda Cohen, author of *1,000 Mitzvahs: How Small Acts of Kindness Can Heal, Inspire, and Change Your Life* "The beauty of Simple Giving is its practical content. Jennifer has found the balance between inspiring stories and accessible giving measures, that help to turn the chaos of today's philanthropy landscape into a roadmap for fulfilling and effective change-making. If you want to give effectively, read Simple Giving." Karl Hofmann, CEO, Population Services International "This book is a must-have for everyone who wants to do good in the world. Filled with real-life examples and practical advice, Simple Giving is a resource-rich guide to changing the world and leading a more meaningful life." Jeannine Harvey, senior manager of strategic relationships at The ONE Campaign "I first got hooked on Jennifer Iacovelli's 'Another Jennifer' blog several years ago, appreciating her simple and refreshing approach to writing about philanthropy and giving. Now, everything I love about the blog has come together in one place in Simple Giving. Jennifer shares that giving daily is a key to a lifetime of happiness. She provides accessible ideas that demystify philanthropy and help readers make giving a natural activity in their everyday routine. From acts of kindness to using purchasing power to do good in the world, Simple Giving is a wonderfully refreshing guide to leading a joy-filled life." Alissa Hauser, executive director of The Pollination Project About the Author Jennifer Iacovelli is a writer, consultant, and public communications professional. She has worked in the nonprofit sector for ten years and started her blog, Another Jennifer, to explore the topic of philanthropy, raise awareness for specific causes, and share the stories of others who have incorporated giving into their everyday lives. www.anotherjennifer.com Twitter: @anotherjenb Excerpt. Reprinted by permission. All rights reserved. Giving Model 1: Everyday Acts of Kindness No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted. --Aesop Three things in human life are important. The first is to be kind. The second is to be kind. And the third is to be kind. --Henry James As we dive into our models of giving, we start with the simplest form of all. Kindness. Kindness is the simple quality of being considerate, friendly, and generous to others. An act of kindness can change the trajectory of your entire day,

whether you are performing the act or on the receiving end. Think about how good it feels to have a friendly stranger give you a big smile while walking down the street or to help an elderly neighbor bring groceries into the house. Performing random acts of kindness has become a popular activity and is particularly common after tragic events, reminding us to be more considerate of others. You may have heard stories of people helping strangers in natural disasters or paying for someone else's toll in honor of the victims of a heartbreaking event such as the shootings at Sandy Hook Elementary School. These acts of giving make sense when you consider them as a way of coping with the reality of such horrific and life-changing events. We are searching for meaning. We want reassurance that people are indeed humane. The results of these kind actions are astounding because they often create a chain reaction. One person does something good, and the recipient of that good deed wants to pay it forward and do something kind for someone else. The kindness continues, whether the first person realizes it or not. That's where the fun comes in, because you often perform the act of kindness with the hope that you will make someone's day and that it will continue on from person to person. Who knows what kind of difference you can make in someone's life? It almost becomes a game. Social scientists James Fowler and Nicholas Christakis have shown that acts of generosity and kindness are indeed contagious. Happiness can be spread, and if we are with people who are happy, their happiness rubs off on us. To me, performing an act of kindness is a gateway that leads to more giving. Even if you're not ready to make a huge commitment, incorporating small, everyday acts of kindness into your life could lead you to bigger philanthropic endeavors. Your good deeds provide you with that rush of happiness when you give, and it doesn't take much time or effort to complete one. The best thing about everyday acts of kindness is that you can perform them with little to no money. You can also easily incorporate these acts into your day. In fact, you may already be carrying out acts of kindness without realizing it. Here are some examples: Holding open a door for a stranger Allowing a busy mom with kids to cut in front of you in the checkout line (much appreciated!) Letting someone take a left turn in traffic Paying for a stranger's coffee at your local cafe Helping an older person load groceries into her car Bringing dinner over to a neighbor's house Delivering doughnuts to the local fire department (one of our favorites!) Picking up trash in your neighborhood Paying someone a compliment Writing a thank-you note Offering free babysitting to a couple or a single parent who could use a night out Smiling at strangers Donating used books (in good condition) to your local library