

The Economics of Happiness

A film by Local Futures

Going local is a powerful strategy to repair our fractured world—our ecosystems, our societies and ourselves. This is the central message of *'The Economics of Happiness'* - a multi award-winning film, featuring voices from six continents calling for systemic economic change.

The documentary describes a world moving in two opposing directions. On the one hand, governments and Big Business promote globalization and the consolidation of corporate power. Simultaneously, people around the world are resisting those policies and demanding a re-regulation of trade and finance, while communities are coming together to re-build more human scale, ecological economies based on a new paradigm - an economics of localization.

"What's our favorite documentary of all time? The one film we wish everyone could see? Hands down, this is it. It is truly one of the most important and useful films for inspiring change that has been made in a generation."

Films for Action

"This passionate film presents a clear and articulate vision of what a shift in the scale at which we do things would look like... timely and powerful."

Rob Hopkins, Co-founder of the Transition Network

"One of my all-time favorite documentaries, The Economics of Happiness."

Cindy Sheehan, anti war activist

"A superb movie....it ought to win an Academy Award for documentary."

Rob Kall, Exec. direc. of OpEdNews.com

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Watch and download the film on [Vimeo here](#)

The Economics of Happiness film has **been translated into 27 languages**, most of these are available for free on YouTube and Vimeo. The film can be downloaded on Vimeo. See more information and all the [translated versions of the film here](#).

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