

*Give Work: Reversing Poverty One Job at a Time* by Leila Janah

Despite trillions of dollars in Western aid, 2.8 billion people worldwide still struggle in abject poverty. Yet the world's richest countries continue to send money—mostly to governments—targeting the symptoms, rather than the root causes of poverty. We need a better solution.

*Give Work* offers a much-needed solution to solving poverty: incentivize everyone from entrepreneurs to big companies to give dignified, steady, fair-wage work to low-income people.

Janah has tested various *Give Work* business models in all corners of the world. She shares poignant stories of people who have benefited from Samasource's work, where and why it hasn't worked, and offers a blueprint to fight poverty with an evidence-based, economically sustainable model.

We can end extreme poverty in our lifetimes. *Give work*, and you give the poorest people on the planet a chance at happiness. *Give work*, and you give people the freedom to choose how to develop their own communities. *Give work*, and you create infinite possibilities.

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See her interviewed on <https://www.c-span.org/video/?434536-2/give-work>

*Zero Weeks: Paid Family Leave*

A new documentary directed by Ky Dickens argues in favor of paid family leave for all American workers. Spotlight interviewed two people close to the production of *Zero Weeks*: Ellen Bravo, long-time activist and director of the Family Values @ Work Consortium, and Anna Wadia, senior program officer of Inclusive Economies at the Ford Foundation.

Spotlight spoke to Wadia and Bravo about their perspectives on paid family leave and increasing support for paid leave policies.

[Spotlight Exclusive Interviews with Ellen Bravo, Anna Wadia on Paid Family Leave](#)