

www.hOurworld.org an international network of timebanks.



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hOurworld directory of time banks: an international network of Hour Exchanges (time banks) where people bank their time providing services then spend the hours they've earned on

We believe the software you use to setup and manage your hour exchange should be dollar and worry FREE. It should be easy for new members to join and learn, and easy for coordinators to manage and comprehensively report on their members and activity.

We believe communications between members, groups and coordinators should be simple and easy to access. We feel that every member should have control over their own privacy and content.

We believe in supporting local diversity while maintaining a central organization to provide for communications, training, and support for legal issues, insurance coverage and so on.

We believe in protecting the security and viability of our members data so we operate on virtual private mirrored secure servers (SSL / https) employing RAID-1 for real time and daily backups.

We believe in "open source" conceptually and incorporate the best ideas and requests of our members and administrators into Time and Talents through a process we call Open Innovation. This provides immediately improved usability and functionality to ALL participants at once since we are only maintaining a single instance of the software with all exchanges operating within it.

We want to remove ALL the barriers to time banking that we can, and so far, we and many others are very happy with our results. We now understand that time banking can be a spoke in a larger wheel of sustainability, as it integrates with CSA, Buy Local, Transition Town, Food Co-op and other local community organizations drawing together to create truly powerful local living economies. The opportunities for symbiosis are immense. We are building, documenting and teaching these models.

