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More and more, people engaged in giving—whether as individuals, volunteers, members of donors' circles, leaders or staff of philanthropic foundations—are discovering the value of civic reflection.

Talking Giving: Readings for Civic Reflection contains six readings chosen to spur reflection on the experience of giving. The readings take up fundamental questions about the act of giving, questions like *What is a good gift? Why give to this institution, cause, or individual, rather than another? How do I know when I've given enough? Is it possible to give too much?*

The readings have been selected and organized to work especially well for philanthropic groups or organizations. Each reading is accompanied by a brief introduction, an opening reflective exercise and questions for discussion.

We are so focused on the 'how' of philanthropy, and specifically on ways to raise the funds. But developing a deeper sensitivity to what this is all about—by exploring the 'why' of what we do—has raised spirits and attitudes among our members. Every civic group could benefit from this practice! —Rotary Club leader

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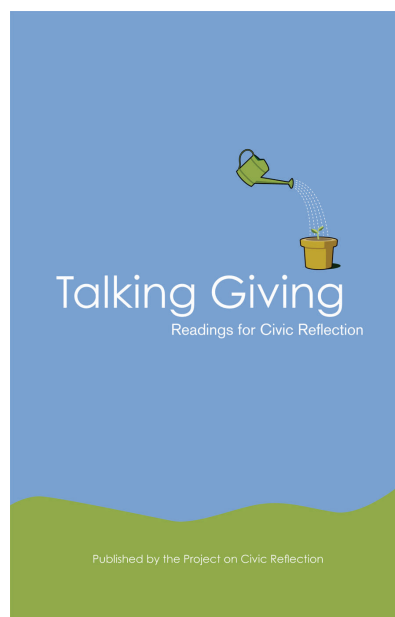
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