

Book Review: Addressing Needs and On-Site Realities in “The Theory and Practice of Community Empowerment Centers”

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Abstract

This article introduces the key content and features of the book *The Theory and Practice of Community Empowerment Centers*. The book brings together 15 articles to discuss the theory and practical experiences of community empowerment, focusing on three aspects: first, it addresses the theoretical foundation and value orientation of community empowerment, as well as the temporal and environmental changes that reflect the evolution of Taiwan's community development policies. Secondly, it explores the different models of practical experience and feedback since the formal promotion of community empowerment. Finally, it emphasizes the importance of responding to local needs by continually promoting "people-centered" community empowerment operations and actions. At the same time, it highlights the need for systematic development and deepening of the values and professional abilities of community workers, guiding community organizations and residents to participate collaboratively and sustainably manage their communities.

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