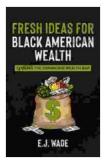
Closing The Expanding Wealth Gap: 1877 Series

The wealth gap in the United States is a serious problem that has been growing for decades. The richest 1% of Americans now own more wealth than the bottom 90% combined. This gap is not only unjust, but it also has a negative impact on the economy as a whole.



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The 1877 Series is named after the year that the Reconstruction Era ended in the United States. The Reconstruction Era was a period of great economic and social progress for African Americans. However, after Reconstruction ended, white Southerners began to implement Jim Crow laws and other policies that disenfranchised African Americans and kept them in poverty.

The 1877 Series is a call to action to close the wealth gap and create a more just and equitable economy for all Americans.

The Causes of the Wealth Gap

There are many factors that have contributed to the growing wealth gap in the United States, including:

* Stagnant wages: The wages of most American workers have not kept pace with inflation in recent decades. This has made it difficult for families to make ends meet and save for the future. * **Rising costs of living:** The costs of housing, healthcare, and education have all been rising faster than wages in recent years. This has made it even more difficult for families to save for the future. * **Tax cuts for the wealthy:** Tax cuts for the wealthy have reduced the amount of revenue available to the government to invest in programs that could help to close the wealth gap. * **Deregulation of the financial industry:** The deregulation of the financial industry has led to a number of financial crises, which have disproportionately impacted lowand middle-income families. * **Discrimination:** Discrimination in the housing market, the job market, and the criminal justice system has prevented many people of color from building wealth.

Solutions to the Wealth Gap

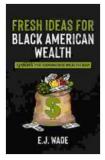
There are a number of policy solutions that could be implemented to close the wealth gap, including:

* **Raising the minimum wage:** Raising the minimum wage would help to increase the incomes of low-wage workers and reduce poverty. *

Providing affordable housing: Providing affordable housing would help to reduce the cost of living for families and free up more money for savings. * **Expanding access to healthcare:** Expanding access to healthcare would help to reduce the cost of healthcare for families and free up more money for savings. * **Investing in education:** Investing in education would help to improve the skills and earning potential of workers. * **Taxing wealth:** Taxing wealth would help to reduce the concentration of wealth at the top and generate revenue that could be used to invest in programs that would benefit low- and middle-income families.

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