

The Faces Of The World's Extreme Poor

Over a billion people on Earth live on a dollar a day or less. The irony is that many of them are also the world's most hardworking. The world's extreme poor often work in jobs that are vital to their country's economy, yet their lack of access to health care and education keeps them cycling through rounds of poverty—sometimes for generations.

Renee Byer is a Pulitzer Prize-winning photojournalist who traveled to ten countries on four continents to document the lives of the world's poorest. Her pictures and the stories behind them are compiled in a new book, *Living On A Dollar A Day: The Lives Behind the Faces of the World's Poor*.

From Bucharest to Bolivia and India to Ghana, Byer and her team explored vital questions like, "How do the poor survive?"; "What do they need most to better their lives?" and "What can we do to help?"

She came away convinced that we in the West can, indeed, significantly improve the lives of the world's poorest. In fact, for less than the price of a family vacation, we can give those living on a dollar a day a foothold on ladder out of poverty.



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