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If you're like me, you know that there's something wrong with our money. It doesn't spend like it used to, nor does it even feel like it used to or look like it used to. You can't get enough of it nowadays to pay for your family's everyday needs. I think it helps to think about what money truly is, how it was created and what its role in our world should be. At this point in time, we have changed money to be a bunch of floating integers that we have at the bank, or don't have enough of in the bank, to be more truthful. Money is also a bunch of integers found on a piece of paper with a dollar sign in front of it on that we get weekly, bimonthly or monthly for fulfilling our duties as employees in this vast economy, doing our jobs. After a computer somewhere in Sri Lanka translates these numbers into something spendable, then we can take some of this "money" out of the bank in the form of more paper that has photos of dead presidents on them. You can now trade some of these dead presidents portraits at the local big box store, drug store, doctor's offices, the gas station, etc.

That's the standard definition of money a few decades ago. More recently the banks have noticed that they could make more of this money by loaning us funds to be exchanged for food and gasoline and doctors etc. and have us pay ridiculous high interest rates on that loan and then they really streamlined the loan process by issuing us all credit cards. Some of us were not credit worthy and so a certain segment of the population, about 40% or so are not qualified by the banks to get these "Unsecured" credit cards, so they don't get the plastic money and are therefore forced to spend only dead presidents memorabilia.

This system of money and money creation could have gone on with much gusto for probably decades into the future, except for one thing. The greedy brokers on Wall Street who own and control the biggest banks and government bank regulators decided that making hundreds of billions of dollars from all of this economic activity was not enough. They wanted hundreds of trillions and they didn't care how they got it. So, they gave themselves gigantic bonuses in the billions of dollars and paid it out to the people who were able to steal the most money from the consumers. Even that was not enough money for them, so they invented ways of stealing money from the banks by creating fraudulent trading documents known as "Credit Default Swaps". Credit Default Swaps were basically 900-page legal documents, unsecured promises to pay that no one had any intention or the money to pay. These fraudulent financial instruments were created mainly to create commissions for these Wall Street Greed-Brokers who hoped that they never had to pay them off. They bet wrong. The papers were suddenly worthless and bottom fell out of this market, which by 2008 were now in the hundreds of trillions of dollars, when the housing market started to tumble in price, one of the big credit defaults they were "Insuring" against.

Things like this have happened many times in history because human nature still contains a nasty little trait known as GREED, and every so often greed overwhelms morality and common sense and we ALL end up in a financial mess for decades as we work our way out of building confidence in the system once again. We're now in such a confidence building era. The government is supposed to prevent the big greed meltdowns in times like this, but they fail to do so many times also because of greed and government regulators are lazy, indolent and mostly incompetent by accepting bribes from those they are sworn to protect us from.

One of the things that the average person has to think about due to all of these shenanigans is how to feed their family, pay their bills, stay in their homes. There is one way to help do that that has also been in practice for thousands of years in place of money and that's called The Barter System. Basically in a barter system, one does not need money, the substitute for goods and services. In the Barter System, you simply use something that you have, or that you can make, or that you can do that will be acceptable to another consumer in return for something they have, or can make for you, or that they can do for you in return in a fair and equitable trade.

I have decided that I want to get the Barter System started up in this country again so that more and more of us can survive, keep our families together and stay in our homes and so to that end, I have decided to call this new form of bartering for goods and services as "The Hip Hop Economy". I have named it thus because of the tremendous success of the Hip Hop culture. In the Hip Hop Culture almost anyone with a few lines of doggerel can make millions by 'Singing' his doggerel to the tune of music that has already been published and playing some of it backwards on a turntable. That's highly creative and it worked.

So, why can't this same philosophy that almost anyone has a sale-able skill to the regular economy and start an exchange where everyone trades what they do for food, rent, clothing, medical care etc.? In the Hip Hop Economy, we believe in this credo, that everyone can survive as long as they are willing to do something,

perform some useful task, which is useful to someone in society in return for food and lodging and other services they and their families may require.

More about this new type of economy is found at this web site - [The Hip Hop Economy](#). It's a way to create your own job and make a nice living, with high-paying residual income so that after a few months of hard work, you can basically retire wealthy and never have to worry about the economy or feeding your family ever again, because you'll be completely out of debt and have tons of money coming in every month, come rain or shine. That's what most sports guys get if they're any good, right? Why not the rest of us. Heck, I just read about a kicker for an NFL team who just signed a contract for 65 Million Dollars. They're paying kickers millions of dollars and they work a total of 5 minutes at the most per week. How's that for a great business model and you know, I think it's a great model, and one that could work for the rest of us if we so choose.

And, there's one more twist on this theme that I'd like to issue forth here. If you join the Hip Hop Economy, you may also want to join a team. I like the team concept because most folks are not yet ready to go solo in a barter system and therefore, the young, the old, the handicapped, or those of us who don't know what we do best yet, may want to join a team where the team's output can be offered to society in return for goods and services that are then earned and distributed to all those in the team in proportion to how much the team values their participation. To that end, I have begun my own team and I invite anyone out there reading this to start their own teams so that competition can go on unabated. Competition is the real engine of any economic system and it must be supported and improved upon every way we can think of. By using the sports analogy, competition is enhanced.

[Join the Super Bowl Team](#) Join my team today, you'll be glad you did. Good Luck. Remember, I've invented a new economy for you - The Hip Hop Economy. It has to do with teamwork and good sportsmanship. In other words, it's all about having fun in life. But, it's also deadly serious about supporting your family, getting them enough food to eat every day, getting you out of debt and keeping you in your home. No homeless people in the Hip Hop Economy allowed, only hard working people who also know how to have fun doing what they do best.

Get into your team uniform and I'll see you on the field. Don't worry about your contract. You don't need an agent. You've got the best one in me. More money than you can dream about is about to fall on your head.

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