

# Valeria Budinich: Helping Social Entrepreneurs to Access Capital and Resources to Scale Their Initiatives

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Valeria Budinich is a social entrepreneur and organizational strategist with 25 years' experience specializing in high-impact business/social entrepreneurship.

Valeria's pathway as a leading social entrepreneur started with a roulette wheel. When she was ten, she asked her parents for one for Christmas, inspired by her mom's avid poker playing. It was the beginning of summer vacation and her parents didn't have money that year for a family vacation so Valeria was determined to do something different and fun. She started inviting kids from the neighborhood to bring their piggy banks and bet on her roulette. Soon she was running a home grown gambling ring!

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