

Praise for *The Middle Class Fights Back* (Praeger 2012)

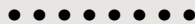
This powerful book is a crucial voice in the historic fightback movement against injustice in America. Don't miss it.

–Cornel West, Professor, Union Theological Seminary



It is conventional wisdom that downsizing most of America's military capabilities would destabilize international security and a democratic world order. D'Agostino's methodical analysis shatters that picture, exposing how it upholds the power of state and corporate elites at the expense of the populace, at home and abroad. He shows how demilitarization can be achieved without jeopardizing real security, freeing up resources needed for a green New Deal that can provide productive livelihoods for ordinary people and a viable ecology for future generations. This is what is meant by 'human security,' which D'Agostino argues is the proper aim of government. His book is a tour de force!

–Saul H. Mendlovitz, Dag Hammarskjöld Professor, Rutgers Law School-Newark



D'Agostino exposes the truth behind the corporate-driven education reform movement and offers the kind of research- and experience-based conversation about real reforms that would truly improve our public education system and that our policy-makers should be having. He reminds us that, rather than rely on these elites, parents, young people and educators must fight to transform our public education system and, more broadly, for the fiscal priorities our country needs and our children deserve.

–Julie Cavanagh, The Grassroots Education Movement,
Producer of *The Inconvenient Truth Behind Waiting for Superman*



The Middle Class Fights Back cogently argues that it was unions and government that created the middle class as we once knew it, and that the shrinking of these institutions, beginning in the 1970s, has had a devastating effect on the prosperity of ordinary people. Arguing that militarism and capital flight are undermining the country's capacity to produce wealth, D'Agostino's provocative book makes the case for massive public investment in green technology and for the creation of a new economy of worker-owned and -controlled enterprises.

–Moshe Adler, Author of *Economics for the Rest of Us: Debunking the Science that Makes Life Dismal* (The New Press, 2010)