**FEATURED EXPERT INTERVIEW QUESTIONS:**

Thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedule to answer your Featured Expert interview questions. Your answers will go a long way toward helping empower and transform the Quality of Life for children and adults regardless of their education and background. So thank you again. It's much appreciated.

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**“16 THINGS WE ALL CAN DO TO ACT RIGHT & HELP SAVE THE PLANET”**

**QUESTION #1 & #2 BACKGROUND**: Featured Experts are given book and web-based platforms to express their views and solutions to **important social issues** in the world. Endorsed by “Chicken Soup for the Soul” Founders [Jack Canfield](https://www.plannedacts.org/) & Mark Victor Hansen, each book focuses on 16 problems people face in life. Through scenarios we see the normal ways we deal with these issues … ways that are not always in our best interests.

Featured Experts share what we really need to do to handle the problem, and why we need to make the change. Additionally, their color headshot, achievements, affiliations and social media information are featured in up to 100,000 books as well as 16Things websites.

Every Expert will have a $5,000 Scholarship fund set up in his/her name to give free books and materials to 500 kids to attend 8-12 week "Better Communication & Literacy Workshops."

**QUESTION #1a.**  What do you think is a major problem that people face regarding \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (see Topics list) in their lives?​

ANSWER #1a:

**QUESTION #1b.**  Why do people need to solve this?

ANSWER #1b:

**QUESTION #1c.**  What do you think is the solution to this problem? (i.e., How do people solve this issue?)

ANSWER #1c:

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**QUESTION #2a.**  What do you think is a another major problem regarding \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that people face in their lives?​

ANSWER #2a:

**QUESTION #2b.**  Why do people need to solve this?

ANSWER #2b:

**QUESTION #2c.**  What do you think is the solution to this problem? (i.e, How do people work to solve this issue?)

ANSWER #2c:

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**PLANNED ACTS OF KINDNESS:**

**QUESTION #3 BACKGROUND**: Planned Acts of Kindness is a global social responsibility program where people around the world wake up every day, and on their phones, on their computers and devices, there is a new planned act of kindness for them to do with their friends, family, and in their community. The goal is to have tens of millions of people doing the same thing on the same day, and unleashing that much powerful, positive energy into world. And because the problems of the world are not going to be solved by governments, corporations or religions, but by people around the world working together as one, with a common focus that is consistent, persistent and insistent in its scope, we have the Cause of the Month as well.

**QUESTION #3:** Do you think the type of grass roots union in Planned Acts of Kindness that can bring so many people to bear on social issues like climate change, pollution, economic and health issues can really influence governments and corporations to adopt new behaviors?

ANSWER #3:

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**KINDNESS: SHARED STORIES (KISS)**

**QUESTION #4 BACKGROUND:** Kindness is a fundamental core value that can directly relate to a person’s sense of well-being and happiness.

**QUESTION #4:** Can you share a story about when an act of kindness someone did for you significantly affected your life or, conversely, you did an act of kindness for someone else that positively transformed their life?

ANSWER #4:

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**QUESTION #5 BACKGROUND:** The Karma Constitution which forms the foundation for Planned Acts of Kindness seeks to unite people from all walks of life to work to preserve, protect, nurture and grow the health of our planet and our global community.

**QUESTION #5a:** As an influential leader, what can you do to help spread the message of civility, unity, and social responsibility in conjunction with Planned Acts of Kindness?

ANSWER #5a:

**QUESTION #5b:** Would you add your name to the Karma Constitution as a founding signatory?

ANSWER #5b:

**QUESTION #5c:** And why?

ANSWER #5c:

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**NATIONAL KINDNESS MONTH (JULY)**

**QUESTION #6 BACKGROUND**: Planned Acts of Kindness is working to establish July as National Kindness Month and provide free education and action programs on important life skill subjects, including civility and ethics, social responsibility, global citizenship, and volunteerism during the month.

**QUESTION #6:** Would you be willing to issue a letter, proclamation or resolution in support of establishing July as National Kindness Month?

ANSWER #6:

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**QUESTION #7 BACKGROUND:** It seems like the United States has become more polarized on many issues in recent years, and we are moving toward an irreparably divided populace.

**QUESTION #7:** Do you think that Planned Acts of Kindness’ efforts to motivate people to demonstrate greater empathy and civility to others can have an overall impact on how people communicate and behave towards each other?

ANSWER #7:

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**SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY “KARMA COALITION CLUBS”**

**QUESTION #8 BACKGROUND**: As part of our education and action programs, we are working to establish Karma Coalition Clubs (as in “I’m part of the Karma Coalition”) in high schools, colleges and communities around the country, where members learn real world skills while working on social responsibility programs in their community.

**QUESTION #8:** What would be the best way to bring Karma Coalition Clubs into your schools and communities?

ANSWER #8:

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**YOUTH & ADULT “LEARN & EARN” PROGRAMS:**

**QUESTION #9 BACKGROUND:** 16 Things Kids Can Do has “Learn & Earn” Entrepreneurship programs that allow high-school and college students, unemployed and underemployed adults and veterans, etc. to learn real-world skills while working to help individuals and families within the community.

Our non-profit educational organization provides all the training for free, with a very low per person cost of $385 for training materials, outreach materials and third-party fees. During and after the three-month training program, graduates earn income and have a sustainable, high-earning full or part-time career within our organization.

**QUESTION #9:** How can we get “Youth Learn & Earn” programs introduced into your schools and communities?

ANSWER #9:

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**FINANCIAL LITERACY & PLANNING:**

**QUESTION #10 BACKGROUND:**  With almost 75% of the population not having enough money saved for retirement, let alone emergencies, financial literacy and planning is one of the most important life skills not being adequately taught at any level in society.

Our organization provides free Legacy Building Workshops that provide real-world concepts and action plans to help people — regardless of income or education — properly build for retirement, fund their children’s education, have necessary asset and health protections including Long Term Care, Chronic Care, dementia, Alzheimer's and disability, and create tax-free income available at any age.

Additionally, we have “Custom Benefit Programs” that we set up for schools, churches/temples, non-profits, agencies and businesses that cost the organizations nothing to administer or match, but provide their employees, members, spouses and children with custom benefits that are safer and outperform 401k, 403b, and 457 programs.

**QUESTION #10:** With the income inequality gap growing and the cost of everything from a car to a college education to homeownership on the rise, how important is it to provide meaningful real-world financial retirement programs and solutions that can impact and transform people at all economic levels in your community?

ANSWER #10:

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**COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP CENTERS**

**QUESTION #11 BACKGROUND:** 16 Things Kids Can Do has developed a plan to establish “Community Partnership Centers” that give ordinary people the opportunity to own and operate a community-based outreach business. Centers work in conjunction with schools, churches/temples, non-profits, government agencies and community businesses that can host and refer people to programs that provide free assistance in important areas that impact quality of life issues: Subjects include money management, debt reduction, health and wellness, legal advice, protections. retirement, savings, taxes, and work programs.

**QUESTION #11:** Who can we be in touch with in your administration to help us establish a center in your community?

ANSWER #11:

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**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**QUESTION #12 BACKGROUND:** Because we don’t know everything we ought to know (understatement of the decade) about what we can do to help be of service in these important areas …

**QUESTION #12a:** What else do you think we could or should be doing to increase our outreach and better serve our mission?

ANSWER #12a:

**QUESTION #12b:** And what would you be willing to do to help? Or at least, make connections for us to help get it done? Check out our [Six Degrees of Outreach](https://www.plannedactsofkindness.org/thekarmaclub/six-degrees-of-outreach/) program.

ANSWER #12b:

**STEP TWO: SUBMIT TO: 16ThingsPress@gmail.com**

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**Thank you again!**

**We’ll be in touch shortly.**