

THIRD WORLD AMERICA

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“Third World America is a powerful plea for our country to wake up so that we can change course—before it’s too late.”

—JOE SCARBOROUGH, host of MSNBC’s *Morning Joe*

It’s not an exaggeration to say that middle-class Americans are an endangered species and that the American Dream of a secure, comfortable standard of living has become as outdated as an Edsel with an eight-track player—that the United States of America is in danger of becoming a third world nation.

The evidence is all around us: Our industrial base is vanishing, taking with it the kind of jobs that have formed the backbone of our economy for more than a century; our education system is in shambles, making it harder for tomorrow’s workforce to acquire the information and training it needs to land good jobs; our economic system has been reduced to recurring episodes of Corporations Gone Wild; and our political system is broken, in thrall to a small financial elite using the power of the checkbook to control both parties.

Arianna Huffington, cofounder of the must-read Huffington Post, unflinchingly tracks the gradual demise of America as an industrial, political, and economic leader. But calling on the can-do attitude that is part of America’s DNA, Huffington shows precisely what we need to do to keep America from turning into a third world nation.

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