

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910808922303321
Titolo	Rooted in the land : essays on community and place // edited by William Vitek and Wes Jackson
Pubbl/distr/stampa	New Haven, Conn. : , : Yale University Press, , 1996 ©1996
ISBN	1-281-72971-X 9786611729714 0-300-12780-4
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (xiii, 285 pages)
Altri autori (Persone)	VitekWilliam <1957-> JacksonWes
Disciplina	307
Soggetti	Communities Community life
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references (p. [273]-[282]) and index.
Nota di contenuto	1. Standing firm -- 2. Community foundations -- 3. Becoming native.
Sommario/riassunto	Although contemporary society seems to promote the values of individualism and mobility, this engrossing book is dedicated to the notion that human lives are enriched by participation in a social community that is integrated into the natural landscape of a particular place. The 34 contributors-who include David Ehrenfeld, Lynn R. Miller, Wendell Berry, Deborah Tall, David W. Orr, Robert Swann, and Susan Witt, as well as other philosophers, scientists, activists, economists, historians, farmers and ranchers, sociologists, theologians, and political scientists-offer an array of social and ecological perspectives on the nature of "community." The editors, William Vitek and Wes Jackson, contend that a deeper understanding of communities is critical for the health of the planet and the human spirit. They offer a compelling collection of new and classic writings-many in the form of personal narrative-that extend E. F. Schumacher's ideas about the importance of human scale and Aldo Leopold's concept of biotic citizenship. Proposing eloquent defenses of community life and practical suggestions for becoming connected to others and native to a

place, the writers explore the loss of community, the philosophical foundations of communities, and the current renewal of community life.
