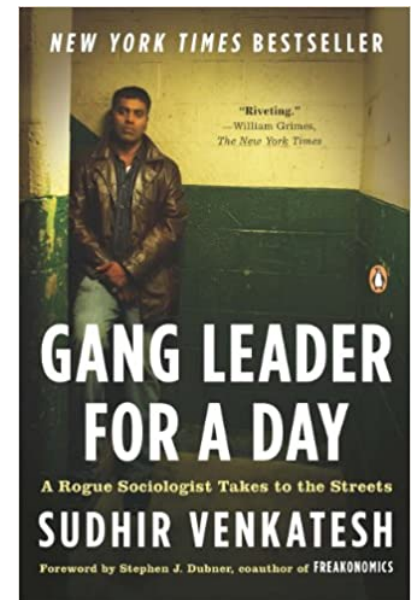


# Gang Leader For A Day Book Summary (PDF) by Sudhir Venkatesh

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## Why This Book Matters:

Gang Leader For A Day explains how gangs hold power in the projects, good and bad, and how it is a gang leader's responsibility to always keep the operation running as smoothly as possible.

## The Big Takeaways:

1. **96% of the people in a Southside Chicago housing project have no job.**
  1. If Odd jobs are an essential function to making things work in the projects.
2. **The projects are often ignored by law enforcement.**
  1. Police are often fearful of what awaits them at the other end of an emergency call when it's from the projects.

3. **Not all gangs are focused on just their own well-being.**
  1. Many gang members attempt to keep the neighborhood safe by protecting the most vulnerable.
4. **The negative effects of gangs are existent, even if people don't want to talk about them.**
  1. Gangs are often the ones who profit off the addiction of their neighbors.
5. **Being a gang leader is not much different from being a CEO.**
  1. Gangs hold power within their community and do so with responsibility.

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