



## Free To Choose Network At-A-Glance

**Company:** **Free To Choose Network**

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**Description:**

[Free To Choose Network](#) is a 501(c)(3) organization housing an award-winning, global entertainment company, an educational initiative that produces and distributes video-centric teaching units for a large network of K-College educators; and a publishing company. The company moniker is a salute to the award-winning, 10-part PBS series (and resulting book) that FTCN Founder Bob Chitester produced with economic Nobel Laureate Milton Friedman and his wife, Rose.

**Founded:**

December 1985

**Executives:**

Bob Chitester, Founder & Chairman  
Robert Chatfield, President & Chief Executive Officer  
Tara L. Schupp, Chief Operating Officer  
Cindee Behrendt, V. P. Administration  
Tom Skinner, Senior Executive Producer  
Carmine Camillo, Development Director  
Susan Gable, Executive Director of Education Curriculum, *izzit.org*

**Initiatives:**

[Free To Choose Media](#) is the film production arm of FTCN, with a rich tradition of award-winning national broadcast production. FTFCM seeks to stimulate thought on vital topics, including economics, energy, taxes, law enforcement, U.S. Constitution and human rights. More than 500 programs have been filmed and distributed through FTFCM, offering diverse voices, powerful stories and a fresh perspective on a range of important global and national issues.

FTFCM production teams travel the world to explore hot topics, such as the economic roots of the Arab Spring and the inspiring stories of entrepreneurs raising themselves and their communities out of poverty, as well as revealing how innovation and new technologies may be the answer to the world's growing energy needs. In the past year, production teams filmed in New Zealand, India, Scotland, Paris, London and New York.

FTCM programs can be viewed on public television stations across the U.S., on the company's Roku channel, Amazon Prime, YouTube and at [www.FreeToChoose.TV](http://www.FreeToChoose.TV).

[izzit.org](http://izzit.org) is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit educational initiative of FTCN, offering engaging educational teaching units for K-College students that encourage thoughtful consideration and critical thinking skills around civics, language arts, economics, the sciences and other philosophical perspectives. Currently more than 300,000 classroom teachers and homeschoolers employ the videos, teacher's guides and fresh ideas from the website to generate stimulating and meaningful classroom and at-home dialogue among students, teachers and parents.

Teaching units include a variety of educational resources, with full teacher's guides that include complimentary worksheets, lesson ideas, discussion questions, and more. Online current events lessons are updated daily throughout the school year and are designed for middle and high school students. **izzit.org** also provides teachers with the relevant educational standards regardless of what state, grade level, or subject area being taught. The website also provides an up-to-date list of online resources for teachers to obtain more information about a variety of subjects.

[Free To Choose Press](#) Books published by FTCP are carried in major outlets around the country, and in some cases, the world. Some of the current titles published by FTCP include [Ideas & Action](#), by George P. Shultz, [Hypocrites & Half-Wits](#), by Donald J. Boudreaux, and [Power to the People](#), by Johan Norberg, which is based on FTCM's public television documentary by the same name.

**Employees:**

FTCN employs approximate 27 full-time people at its headquarters in Erie, PA and contracts with award-winning producers and directors around the world to produce its projects.

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