

From...**The New York Times**

‘Everything Going the Wrong Way’: Dollar Stores Hit a Pandemic Downturn

Another interesting and revealing article from The New York Times. It seems Dollar Stores in all their manifestations are not only a blight on downtown main streets, but their business model doesn't work when under stress...the unfortunate lose-lose. **CT.org.**

“Their business model is being tested by worker burnout, pressure to raise wages, supply chain problems and growing local opposition.”



By **Michael Corkery**, Sept. 30, 2021

Mr. Corkery goes into detail about each of these facets of the business: worker burnout due to low wages, understaffing and too many hours worked; pressure to raise wages that is resisted; reliance on part-time workers who are hard to hire; supply chain problems; and growing community resistance.

Read the entire article at the link below. Very revealing and useful as small cities and towns make decisions about new stores, especially downtown on main street. Small cities and towns need good corporate citizens in the form of businesses that pay decent wages with benefits and reasonable working environments. Check on these features of every business before permitting them to locate in the community.

“Political attitudes toward dollar stores in some communities are also shifting. Since the start of the pandemic, nearly three dozen communities have passed limits on dollar store developments or rejected stores outright, according to the Institute for Local Self-Reliance.”

Read more at: <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/09/30/business/dollar-stores-struggling-pandemic.html>