
Subject: Re: Rich People vs. Poor People
Posted by [Hydra](#) on Mon, 20 Jun 2005 04:25:16 GMT
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Javaxcx wrote on Sun, 19 June 2005 01:38 Well, the problem with charity is that it is circumstantial and does not necessarily address everyone that may "need" welfare.

Sure, no single charity can ever administer to everyone who needs a "helping hand"--that's why there are literally hundreds if not thousands or even tens of thousands of charity organizations on the entire North American continent.

You don't fix poverty by throwing money at the poor--you change their destructive lifestyles. How do you do that? By addressing each and every person on an individual basis and working with him to change his self-destructive habits.

Throwing money at them in the form of a welfare check every month is no way to change self-destructive habits, but that seems to be all that the government is capable of.

Quote:I have little problem paying a percentage of my taxes to see that someone else can get back on their feet

That's the problem with welfare--it doesn't help people get back on their feet.

It doesn't force them to change their self-destructive lifestyles. It enables them to continue being poor since it's a source of free money for them to squander on beer and lottery tickets.

Quote>Last time I checked, neither of us have that right.

Not according to the Declaration of Independence. "Inalienable right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." That whole thing (not really expecting you to know that, though, since you're Canadian).

There is no Constitutional guarantee of a warm bed to sleep in and free food, so why should I have money I've earned taken from me and given to someone else?

Sidenote (not directed at you, Javaxcx): it's funny how people who often accuse others of being "heartless" and "selfish" only want to play with other people's money--never their own. The government doesn't need to step in and take my money from me and give it to someone else. I can do it just as well on my own without needing the government to take it from me.

Why don't you get your hand out of my pocket and put it back in your own? Instead of taking my money from me and giving it to others, you can try giving up some of your own money. Who's the greedy one now, hypocrite?

AircraftkillerHey, if you've got beachfront property in Panama City, invite me over so I can visit or something.

Though the property will be as good as ours in the next few days (contract competitor can't find financing in time allowed by his contract; we already have financing all lined up), we probably won't close on it 'till July.
