Subject: Re: Free Needles in Ukraine to Drug Users Posted by Renx on Sat, 08 Dec 2007 19:26:31 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

nikki6ixx wrote on Sat, 08 December 2007 05:17This is old news. My city has a clinic which dispenses free needles, and Methadone to addicts.

The addicts get a clean, supervised location to shoot up, and we have the opportunity to give these people a second chance. The success rate is debatable, but there have been quite a few who have gotten clean, and are now self-sufficient, hard working people.

Except their taking methadone, not the drugs they are addicted to. Bit of a difference.

Nothing about handing out free needles promotes or encourages drug use. It's ashame that they can't budget their addiction a little better as to afford the \$1-2 a day for needles, but I guess that comes with the disease. If this is proven to hinder the spread of HIV/HepC/etc, then so be it.

z310 wrote on Sat, 08 December 2007 03:30I'm just stating that taxpayers shouldn't have to pay for it.

These diseases kill more people than anyone in the Taliban ever has, yet you're perfectly fine with spending the money to combat them instead? Do you think Iraq poses the more immediate threat over AIDS? So ~3000 were killed on September 11th, over 30 million are living with a death sentance right now because they have AIDS. Suck it up and caugh up your 40 cents.

I'm not trying to downplay the significance of 9/11, it's just a good comparison. For all I know you could be anti-war, it doesn't really matter though.