Subject: Re: Free Needles in Ukraine to Drug Users Posted by Dover on Mon, 10 Dec 2007 17:54:33 GMT

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cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 09 December 2007 17:15Dover wrote on Sun, 09 December 2007 20:06cheesesoda wrote on Sun, 09 December 2007 16:54Who the fuck do you think you are to think that you should have a say about what I do with my wages? That's pretty damn arrogant to think that you or anybody else can tell me that I have to spend money on some half-wit that I don't give a fuck about. You're just as bad as those moral-crusading Republicans.

Do I think we have moral obligations to help out those less fortunate and in need? Absolutely, but in no way should we have any LEGAL obligations. You don't earn my wages, so step the fuck off of it.

How would you feel if your bank decides that the money you deposited isn't all going into your bank account because it figures that it has an obligation to take a chunk out of your deposit and give it to the people with considerably less in their accounts? If you don't care, then go ahead and give all your money to charity. That's fine by me. I'd respect you for being so willing to give away your money, but to turn around and tell our government that it's their job to make sure I do the same? Fuck your self-righteous bullshit.

Until you are the one earning my wage for me, you have no fucking right to have a hand in what I do with it.

No, you're right. You don't HAVE to give your money to anyone. You can save it hoard it and build a castle out of bills and coins if you'd like. You have every LEGAL right to.

But that still makes you a dick.

I'm not arguing that I'd be a complete asshole because of it. I just don't see where it's my government's job to tell me that I have to pay taxes that go towards helping people I don't feel deserve my money. I donate my money to children's hospitals. I give it to people that NEED the money, and I know that my money is going to people that NEED it.

Plus, the giving isn't as joyful to know that my government automatically takes my money out of my check and then writes a check to some nitwit whore who has 3 kids and is living off of food stamps.

Do welfare programs do some good and give money to people who deserve it? Yes, but so do private organizations, and private organizations do a shitload of a better job than government programs can do. Plus, what are the organizations fueled by? The desire to help people, and dedication that private organizations have to their projects is so much more than any government employee would have about their job.

Again, do I think people have a moral obligation to give money to people that truly deserve it? Absolutely, I feel that we, as people, should come together and help out the less fortunate. However, that's the government regulating morality and economics.

I may be a Capitalist, but I am still very capable of compassion. I just don't feel right about making

the government into a Robin Hood character. I want to do good, and I should be able to do it alone without the government forcing me to.

The problem is, even if, IF you're as generous as you claim, not everyone is such. A handful of generousity in a system based on greed and "He who dies with the most toys wins" is a drop in the bucket. If you can think of a non-government solution that doesn't rely on the good of man (which sadly can go away when his stomach turns), I'd be glad to hear it.