Subject: Re: Free Needles in Ukraine to Drug Users
Posted by cheesesoda on Mon, 10 Dec 2007 19:21:24 GMT
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Yes, go right ahead and ignore my point. Everybody else does, so I can't imagine why I would expect anything different.

My example of natural disasters is just that... an example, and a visible example, at that. It wasn't to say that charity is or should be limited to disasters, rather to show that when it's required (such as people living on the streets), there are people helping them get off their feet. That's something people and private organizations do... help people get off their feet, not just throw checks at them like our government does.

When I mention government, I mean legislating actions. A group of people making decisions can be seen as a government, but they can't legislate things and use law to enforce it.

I already addressed the idea how to help the people who need our help. Private organizations and charities. Like interfaith shelters and churches, and they're not regulated by the government.

The fact that I can afford to pay my taxes is irrelevant. I can afford to have my CDs stolen from me, but that doesn't make the theft any less wrong. "It's okay that they entered my house and stole my jewelry because I can live without it." If you're saying that my explanation of greed was laughable, then so is the justification of theft because I can afford to lose that money.

Oh, and you never did address the principle of the fact that it is stealing. I don't want you or my government reprising the fucking role of Robin Hood and his homosexual sidekicks. Stealing from the rich and giving to the poor is still stealing, regardless of what "good" you're doing with the money stolen. I don't care to reach into your pocketbook, so I'd appreciate that you respect mine.

I trust Capitalism. Plus, private, non-profit organizations helping out their communities are never going to get corrupted. It's hard to hoard money when you're not allowed to profit from it.