Subject: Re: Lets Pay Taxes.

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Perhaps it's wrong to associate "freedom" with "liberty". However, when I do say "free" I mean having all of my liberties that aren't needed to give up for society to continue.

I have no problem with giving up money to help the less fortunate. In fact, I think it's our duty as moral agents to help those in need. That doesn't mean the government needs to deem a portion of my wages (which are NOT profit) to be strictly for them. That's my choice how little or much I want to give. Not to mention that the government always does a piss poor job of managing taxpayer money. Wouldn't you rather see a trustworthy organization helping those that are worthy of the help rather than a wasteful government throwing money at everybody without a job, regardless of how unworthy they are of the handouts?

Private organizations and the collective of people working together are a lot more efficient than a big government. Sure, you can rattle off all of the services that are provided by your government, but there's also a lot of waste in there, and it's not just "oh well", that's somebody's money, hell, if you have a job, it's YOUR money being wasted.

Yes, I know, money isn't that important. Other people are more important than money, but it's still the money that I traded my labor for. Again, if I want to help the poor so bad, I'll donate my money and my time on my own accord and not at the demand of my government.

Edit: http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/magazine/7508404.stm <--- that's the story about the knives.