Libertarians for Redistribution



Guest post by Gary Chartier.

Libertarianism is a redistributive project. That's another way in which radical market anarchism is rightly seen as part of the socialist tradition.

Statists on both the left and the right favor the redistribution of wealth. Libertarians, by contrast, are often assumed to be dead-set against all varieties of redistribution. But it's important to see that whether this is really the case or not depends on how we answer several questions:

• Agent: who effects the redistribution?

• Rationale: what justifies the redistribution?

• Means: how is the redistribution accomplished?

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