

On Bootstraps

Libertarians are often strawmanned as uncaring assholes who think that all that is necessary for anyone, even the most unfortunate among us, to do to succeed in life is to pull themselves up by their own “bootstraps”. It’s simply not true that arguing against welfare statism is akin to being such an uncaring asshole. However, no matter how big and [supposedly] helpful the welfare state is, nobody will amount to anything nor will their lives be at all meaningful if they don’t at some point grab a hold of their bootstraps and pull. Learn this lesson early enough and you might just find that you had what takes within you all along. And that’s today’s two cents.