

# Ten Ways a Libertarian Society Would Be Different

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How much would a libertarian society differ from the statist society in which we live? It would be radically different. Here are ten ways a libertarian society would be different:

1. No more welfare-state programs. A libertarian society would be one in which there is a total separation of charity and the state, similar to the separation of church and state. No one would be forced by any law or governmental program to share his money with others or to donate money to anyone. The decision on whether to help out others would be entirely voluntary. So, no more Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, subsidies, foreign aid, SBA loans, food stamps, public housing, education grants, FDIC, or any other program in which government forcibly takes money from people and gives it to others.

2. No more income taxation and Internal Revenue Service. Everyone would be free to keep everything he earns or inherits (and would decide for himself what to do with it).

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