



# We want Poverty?

## It exists at our design

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**“The survival of the fittest”** .... is the nature of the observable reality for all life on the planet. A competitive existence where there will, and must be, both those that “do” and those that “do not” *survive*.

**The Free Market Economy**... directly reflects the survival of the fittest reality. The competitive nature of the Market Economy model dictates that there must be those that win and those that fail. Success or failure being determined by the arbitrary setting of values by supply and demand for both people and goods.

**We want to be the rich** seeing it as a security against failure, as winning in the competitive struggle to survive. But, as a direct consequence, we create the poor.

### **So, DO we want poverty?**

Of course our answer would be “No!” So why do we still have poverty? We fail to see (or choose to be blind to) poverty as the inverted by-product of wanting to be successful/rich. However, it is most definitely at the design of our economic and political systems that we have the poor.

In justification of poverty we blame those that are not good at surviving under the guise of meritocracy; but in doing so take no cognisance of the life lottery that is a person's good/bad fortune.

How repugnant that a person's life or, indeed, any form of life's value should be set by their monetary value or productive skill when neither are necessarily within their control.