

Forum: The Citizen forum on inequalities

Theme: How to reduce inequalities at different scales?

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1. How does the theme of inequalities concern you?

I am a 37-year-old bank analyst from Irvine in Southern California. I grew up in a wealthy family and attended Berkeley for my bachelor's degree, after which I went to Columbia for graduate studies. Although I recognize that I came from a privileged background, I believe the reason I am where I am today is because of my hard work and ambition. In my opinion, this is also why many people lack employment opportunities: if they were more determined and focused on their studies just as I was, they could have secured better jobs and built stable careers.

I also believe that the unemployed should stop constantly critiquing everything President Trump has done, as his policies have strengthened the economy and created opportunities for growth. However, I am not blind to personal struggles—my eldest daughter once faced a serious illness, and the medical bills came as a shock even to us. Yet I took responsibility, paid them in full, and managed to recover financially. That experience showed me that while life can be unpredictable, resilience and responsibility are the keys to overcoming inequality.

2. What do you suggest at your level?

I believe the most efficient way the government could reduce inequalities would be by creating and funding an association dedicated to helping the unemployed find jobs, even if they have not completed their education. Such an initiative would focus on practical training, interview preparation, and job placement support. By encouraging

individuals to apply for jobs and actively join the workforce, we can foster a culture of responsibility and persistence.

Over time, this will set an example for the next generation, helping to reduce inequalities step by step. In my opinion, this approach is far more effective than simply giving money and benefits to underprivileged groups, because it encourages independence and will finally allow to build a stronger and more equal society.