

Anarchism in Practice

Anarchist practice is seen anywhere people get together and make direct change without controlling one another. A community garden, coming together to cook and give out food, cooperatively fixing and sharing living spaces, community healthcare and more are examples of Anarchist practice.

Food Not Bombs is a well known Anarchist organization that regularly distributes free food in cities around the world. ACT UP is an organization most famous for their work during the AIDS crisis, working to distribute medicine, information and support to those affected.

Anarchism can be seen during the historical revolutionary Spain, in Exarchia located within Greece, in various small communes, in numerous community organizations both big and small.

Learning More; Getting Involved

One of the most accessible ways to get involved in Anarchist Practice is by volunteering with Food Not Bombs, find a group near you:

foodnotbombs.net/info/locations

The Anarchist Library features a wide range of Anarchist literature freely available in a variety of formats:

theanarchistlibrary.org/

"Anarchism asserts the possibility of an organization without discipline, fear, or punishment, and without the pressure of poverty: a new social organism which will make an end to the terrible struggle for the means of existence, — the savage struggle which undermines the finest qualities in man, and ever widens the social abyss. In short, Anarchism strives towards a social organization which will establish well-being for all. "

- Emma Goldman

Anarchism



An introduction



"What we proclaim is
**THE RIGHT TO WELL-
BEING: WELL-BEING
FOR ALL!"**

- Peter Kropotkin

What is Anarchism?

Anarchism is a movement that seeks to remove oppression. A theory that all forms of government rest on violence, and are therefore wrong and harmful, as well as unnecessary. Anarchists advocates a self-managed, classless, stateless society where everyone takes collective responsibility for the community.

Anarchists are against the violent power used by the state to enforce capitalism. Anarchists believe that power corrupts, and that everyone should be treated equally.

Anarchists advocate free association and consensus, giving everyone complete control over things which affect them. Creating voluntary communities and organizations that allow direct participation, founded on ideas where everyone mutually aids everyone else to create a more wholesome and wonderful society.

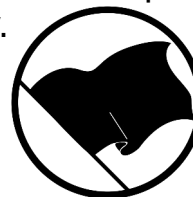
Is Anarchism violent?

Anarchists seek to reduce or even end violence and oppression. The frequent misrepresentation of anarchism by the media to be about violence, nihilism, or disorder is completely false.

Many Anarchists believe that violence in the form of revolution is acceptable, that self-defense against violent governments is acceptable. However, other Anarchists are totally opposed to violence.

Isn't Anarchy Chaos?

Anarchism is not “no rules”. Anarchism is in favor of order and organization in the form of “horizontal” organizing, where no one person has more power than anyone else. Anarchism holds that horizontal organizations give people more freedom and individual control over their lives, producing a more equal and joyful society.



Socialism & Capitalism

All anarchists are anti-capitalism and anti-state. Capitalism is the economic system where investors and landlords are allowed to extract wealth from the economy without contributing goods or services back. Under capitalism, actual workers have little autonomy, or control over themselves. Instead, they are controlled by politicians and bankers.

Anarchists advocate libertarian socialism instead of capitalism. Under socialism, workers have direct control of the land, factories, and offices. Through horizontal organization, anarchists seek to remove the abusable systems of power that bosses and politicians leverage today to unjustly rule over society. Anarchists want to give everyone complete control over that which affects them.