Health And Social Justice: A Reader On The Politics, Ideology, And Inequity In The Distribution Of Disease

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Social justice is defined as a just distribution of goods within society and examines the relationships between groups and individuals that influence the distribution of goods. Such work entails advocating both for the poor on an individual level and for solutions to the structural barriers that deny them access to affordable, adequate health care. As educator and theorist Paulo Freire puts it, “True generosity consists precisely in fighting to destroy the causes which nourish false charity” [3]. A social-justice approach nourishes the “true generosity” for which Freire argues. While different