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**support.** "Should the goal of anti-poverty policy be, as Columbia University political scientist Chris Blattman suggests, to purchase a better life for poor people through the use of cash transfers, or should it be to help poor people become less poor by helping them raise their earning potential, as the Campaign for Boring Development (CBD) argues?...Their disagreement is relevant to poverty-fighting efforts in the United States....While a UBI is a policy that will make poverty more tolerable, wage subsidies have the potential to, over time, make poverty less pervasive." Reihan Salam in National Review.

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