

Save the Young

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Freedom is good, sure . . . for *most* of us, *most* of the time.

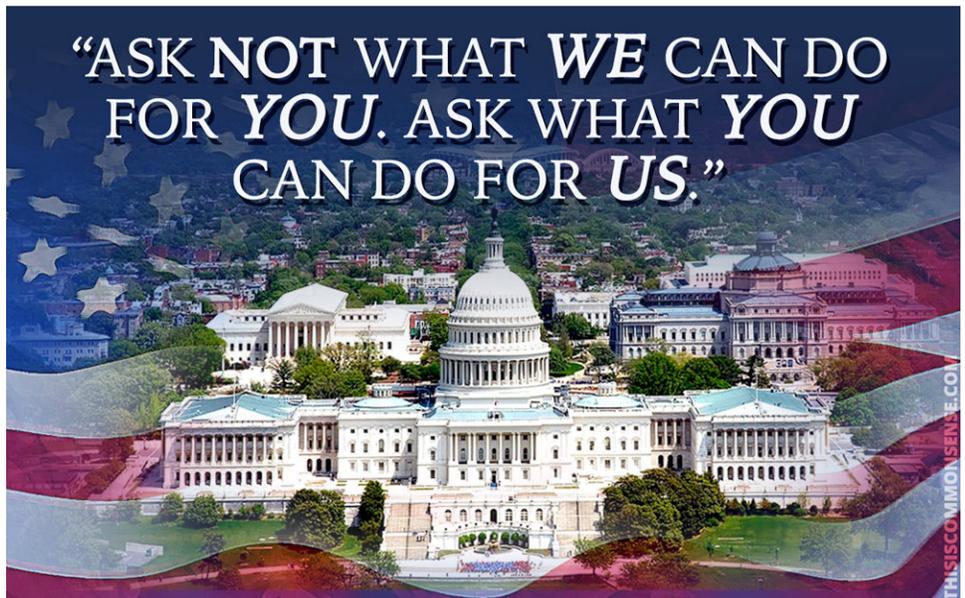
But the National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service was funded by Congress to study whether perhaps just a smidgen of short-term slavery for young people might be a smart program, a nice change of pace, a big help to all involved — both our nation's youth and our nation's government.

Involuntary servitude — a year or two of military service or mandatory civilian national service, i.e. helping this government agency or that one — might force these whipper-snappers to grow up faster, the argument goes. Not to mention assisting them by engineering an enlighteningly involuntary point-of-view from which to better sort out their futures.

But enough about what's good for young people. Let them heed the famous words of President John F. Kennedy: "Ask not what we can do for you, ask what you can do for us."

Imagine, young people solving all our problems: cleaning up the environment, ending illiteracy, reversing global warming, wiping out poverty, curing cancer.

Consider the awesome benefits we can accrue from an army of four million well-mannered, bright-eyed 18-year-olds, like the kids on *The Facts of Life* or



Saved By the Bell — or whatever newfangled TV show dances in front of today's youthful eyes.

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Or at least mopping up the lobby at the EPA, filing documents close to alphabetically at the Department of Education, picking up trash in a park.

All while becoming fully-actualized citizens.

Green energy isn't the answer, youthful energy is! Remember: It cannot be bottled, but it can be conscripted.

Oh, and actually paying for 4 million make-work jobs?*

Sssshhhh.

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.

** At minimum wage, it would cost more than \$60 billion a year to hire every 18-year-old American. Oh, well, I guess freedom is much less expensive.*

NOTE: *If for any reason, you are skeptical of the wonders forced governmental service can provide, please join me today (April 10, 2019) at 4:00 pm ET for a webinar on how to "Save the Young People."*