

Answer to: Spoke to a homeless guy today

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When it comes to helping people out it is important to take into consideration what may help them and what is absolutely useless to them. But if he is a beggar and I give him food and he tells me he doesn't want turkey he wants cheese then that is just being greedy. In arabic there is a saying in arabic "shahhad w msharat" which means beggar and demander. It is your job as someone trying to help or give to assess a situation and try to be helpful and it is the beggar's job to be grateful and either accept or decline the offer but never complain.

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I understand the "beggars can't be choosers" philosophy but the way I see it is that if my intention is to purely feed him and support him then I am willing to work with him and fit his needs and/or wants as my goal is not to purely feed him a turkey sandwich for whatever reason.

But, if he chooses to starve instead of accepting my turkey sandwich then that would be his choice.