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I was raised in a small farming town in the Western US. There were few jobs and most young people had to move away to find jobs. So many communities and cities need federal jobs. San Diego relies on the Navy, Air Force bases bolster large cities. There are numerous examples. But small towns and communities have even less elasticity in their job markets. If you pull out Federal jobs from these places and privatize them, these little towns will be hurt the most. I know that the job will still likely be there under privatization, but it will likely be filled by some large company from some city. The local people, who have almost no job market, will need to move on. The privatized job will likely be filled by someone who will have to move and because the job is usually low paying, will move on in time and the turn over will be continuous. Local people will provide more stability and will, usually, appreciate having a stable job.

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