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Comments for Public Posting: Requesting outreach for 9112 Graham ave. LA 90002. Our local elementary school, daycare, library, and park to be approved for homeless outreach, or initial assessment by LAHSA.



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Name: Follow Dee Law

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Comments for Public Posting: It is not against the law to be homeless BUT! these homeless encampments must be stopped everywhere. As a taxpayer, what am I paying for? Please convert vacant city/county buildings into livable spaces for the homeless, including spaces to park those dirty, filthy RVs and the cars. Also, DO NOT offer FREE parking permits for the RVs. This is part of the problem as they want something for free. Many people do not pay rent, most receive some form of pay through jobs, EBT, or social service program they should be required to pay fees. There is so much trash, urine, feces, and embedded filth in these areas and us law-abiding, over-taxed citizens are required to call 3-1-1 to request bulky-item pick ups, clean the affected areas that devalue property, etcetera. This is unheard of! Who is giving these people the Tents, and unlicensed, unregistered and uninsured RVs. LA needs to develop a back-bone. Also, track the people and you will find that they are coming from other cities because they know that LA is soft and stupid and is the new wild and crazy west. This is why crime is rampant because many people are hiding in these encampments committing rapes, robberies, and other crimes. Have you looked at the bus benches - where homeless/unhoused citizens are using the bus benches as toilets. A woman pulled her pants down below her knees, sat on the grated bus bench and urinated full blast like a horse in broad daylight. A man exposed himself and urinated in some bushes along the metro route. Mental health is also real. This problem is out of hand and needs to be handled quickly. Look at the freeways and places that are near stores and over-crowded shelters - look at the Freeway over passes and underpasses. Find livable spaces for the homeless/unhoused that do not want to be served -but mandate that they live in certain areas with there junk such as the desert or other places that are away from residences, schools, and businesses. Maybe cite businesses who allow shopping carts to leave the premises. LA SAN should automatically pick up trash and abandoned sofas, etc. Citizens should not be required to call that in. It's Common sense and the problem has worsened. This problem is more than the one or two little old-men sleeping on the street when drunk.

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Comments for Public Posting: While I appreciate what the Councilman has attempted with regard to the homeless situation. His offices recognizes and continue to deal with the tremendous and multifaceted issues around homelessness. Creating a ban is short sighted and the burden of enforcement falls on police who are already overburden and do not receive training in mental health. My question is where is the research into the mental health status of most homeless persons? You are aware that many suffer from untreated and or undiagnosed mental health issues and often resort to substances to ease their pain. I feel the Councilman's ban is one sided and aggressive. Where are the more compassionate members of his office who can continue to work with local organizations and police to create a more just system that serves the needs of the increasing population of homeless. What are other cities doing? What are the demographics of the homeless, how many are working poor? And again, how many need or refuse care for apparent mental illness? Rather than create an atmosphere of aggression, paranoia and fear around these populations, how do we engage these people and include them in the rhetoric rather than leading with elite issues rooted in the uncomfortable nature of homelessness. Thank you