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Why are the homeless advocates NOT enforcing this Oregon Revised Statute: ORS 109.010¹ Duty of support • Text • News • Annotations • Related Statutes Parents are bound to maintain their children who are poor and unable to work to maintain themselves; and children are bound to maintain their parents in like circumstances. Why are homeless advocates NOT finding the families of the homeless? Several other states have similar laws. It is not fair nor equitable for taxpayers and donors to non-profit organizations for the homeless to be over-burdened with the homeless and drug addicted living on our streets and camping illegally in our parks. While I understand that some homeless do not have families, many do have families. There is a moral responsibility for families to care for their own or this Oregon Revised Statute (law) would not continue to be active.

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