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I have lived in and paid property tax for Portland for 43 years. I have always been proud to call it home until these past few years.

My car has been broken into in my driveway twice in the past couple of months, and never before. We have transient campers across the street and in the park.

My grandson and I witnessed 3 homeless beating up some young guy at a bus stop. 2 men 1 woman. The men had metal pipes, the woman had a huge knife (K bar?) it looked like the blade alone was at least 5". Another pedestrian helped him get away.

We do NOT need another study. We do NOT need another long term plan.

We need designated campsites with showers, laundry, bathrooms and dumpsters. These areas need to be staffed with people who can direct to a person who will be a designated case manager. This manager will learn what is keeping them from getting on their feet, and create personal plan to help.

I do not want to permanently house and support addicts. I am making \$1065. a month and have 2 grandsons I am raising. My property taxes are almost \$7000. this year. There are no safety nets to 'forgive' property taxes only to defer. I am stuck here with kids in school. I can't afford to live here either and it is insult after injury to have to take money I squirreled away for retirement out to pay property taxes to pay for these people who need to step up their game or gtfo.

Sincerely, Dianne Perneti

Sent from my iPhone