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I just want to say I work down town and I see this camping every day and I don't like it because I see them using the tents to store drugs sell drugs doing sexual favors for money also going to the rest rooms on sidewalks and streets many times I step in it I no longer feel safe in my city I have lived in all my life for 48 years this camping brings bad people that trash our streets I have tried to help and I have been told they don't want help I don't like the way this city is going we need change now today not next week . At least make it a no camping zone again down town as a first step. Start down town and move east use the old schools that are empty and help the ones that want help with housing in the school building get them off the streets don't spend money on new camps tell you use the building that the city owns and use them first.. I see notice's everyday illegal camp site 72 hours to move .Then they pack up for one day and then come back in a day or two we need to just change the camping rules today. I'm about to leave Oregon because of this it sucks our rent went up so much and gas and taxes to live here in this city that is unsafe to walk down the streets and i have to walk through trash pee crap exec it is no longer worth the rent price to live here before I felt it was it was the best city to live in it was clean no campers not as much drug use out in the open like today .Please bring back the police gang units and bus police we need them fund the police again in all ways. This will help in many way's clean up the city before the city is too far gone to bring back.

Thank You  
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