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I understand that many have faced hardship with this pandemic but it would be pure naivety and ignorance to believe that there hasn't been anybody that has gained by Covid19. Where many lose, a few gains. That is all that I see, many small businesses closing with only more commercial venues opening. Like with housing. I own a duplex in the city of Los Angeles and my tenants have not paid rent for more than half a year. The laws implemented have only helped these people rob both me and the city/ government. He can simply say he is "facing hardships", without any evidence and he can suddenly be stopped paying rent. While I can not. I can not simply say that my tenant is not paying and everything would be placed on hold. My mortgage is still sending bills, the city permit still has to be paid or I face negative consequences yet he doesn't? And if that was not enough, there was a supplemental bill imposed for what? I have to pay by September or I am faced with late fines. Yet the tenant can't be fined for any late rent. How does this government say it works for all when everything has been one-sided. And if that was little not only has he stopped paying, he is also illegally subletting the unit and is making money. He is aware that he can not sublet yet continues, the extra people are aware I am the real landlord, and being there is not permitted but they continue to pay the tenant rent. And this rent mortarium in place has only helped him. As it is permitted to have additional people within the unit without any problem. Now with the rental assistance application opening again, he will probably apply and lie. He will deny the people in the unit and will probably qualify for the assistance. So the city will give him a bailout and he will keep all the money that he has made with the people's rent. Many have just said, hire a lawyer it's easy, if I were so many like me would not be having issues. No eviction can be placed in front of a judge until the end of the moratorium and even then it is known that the courts of LA are partial to tenants. Even if the court opens this will not be an easy fight for anybody. Then the backed rents can not be enforced until a year later, and then what? What if they run? How are we to find them a year later to receive the rent? And for future potential tenants, the backed rent can not be part of background checks or can not sway the decision to rent to someone. How is it that the government continue and continues to give these types of people bailouts at the expense of homeowners? Please understand that this all comes out of frustration, of the lack of assistance offered to homeowners, and the shoulder-crushing anxiety and stress that continues to grow. This huge stereotype, that all landlords or property owners are evil or place evictions unfairly continues to grow because it is feed by movies or shows but more importantly by the news. Every news channel they report on people being "left on the streets" or people crying over their lack of ability to pay rent. Where are the property owners that are losing their houses to the big bankers because they were left with no choice but to sell. We are not evil people, is evil to want people that can pay their rent and are responsible and adhere to the rules when renting. That is how these people ended up losing their homes. In order to properly help the whole people, the government has to help the middle man so that the big businesses don't monopolize housing as a whole.