

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: We have the benefit of hindsight! Why won't you use it? This city has been criminalizing poverty for decades. We know, we fucking know, IT DOES NOT WORK!!! What it does do is breed corruption. You've created an entire industry that makes money off of poverty. Billions of dollars managing the crisis of our lifetime. Shame on each and everyone of you that continues this! As documented in a recent survey report by Venice Justice Committee (<https://challengeinequality.luskin.ucla.edu/2025/06/25/keep-moving/>), for so many who are priced out of traditional rental housing, a vehicle is the next logical, safe choice. This turns into a longer-term solution due to lack of low-income housing in Los Angeles. There is no LA City program supporting vehicle repairs or DMV registration for RVs, and existing "Safe Parking" programs are insufficient compared to the number of vehicle residents in LA. In fact, unless you're a U.S. Veteran or happen to be selected for a small County pilot program, no Safe Parking even exists for RVs in LA! Meanwhile, public parking lots sit empty every night. Instead of real solutions, Los Angeles pays DOT and LAPD for enforcement and rents CalTrans lots to store impounded RVs. Now, with this new law, LACity will be able to "remove and dismantle abandoned RVs with an estimated value of \$4,000 or less." More poor people living in RVs will become street homeless. It is racist and ableist on its face because of the targeted population, of whom a significant percentage are disabled. Our elected officials should not be allowed to pass these motions prior to providing real solutions grounded in parking stability, sustained outreach, and real housing offers founded on respect and trust. NO CITY COUNCILMEMBER SHOULD VOTE FOR THIS