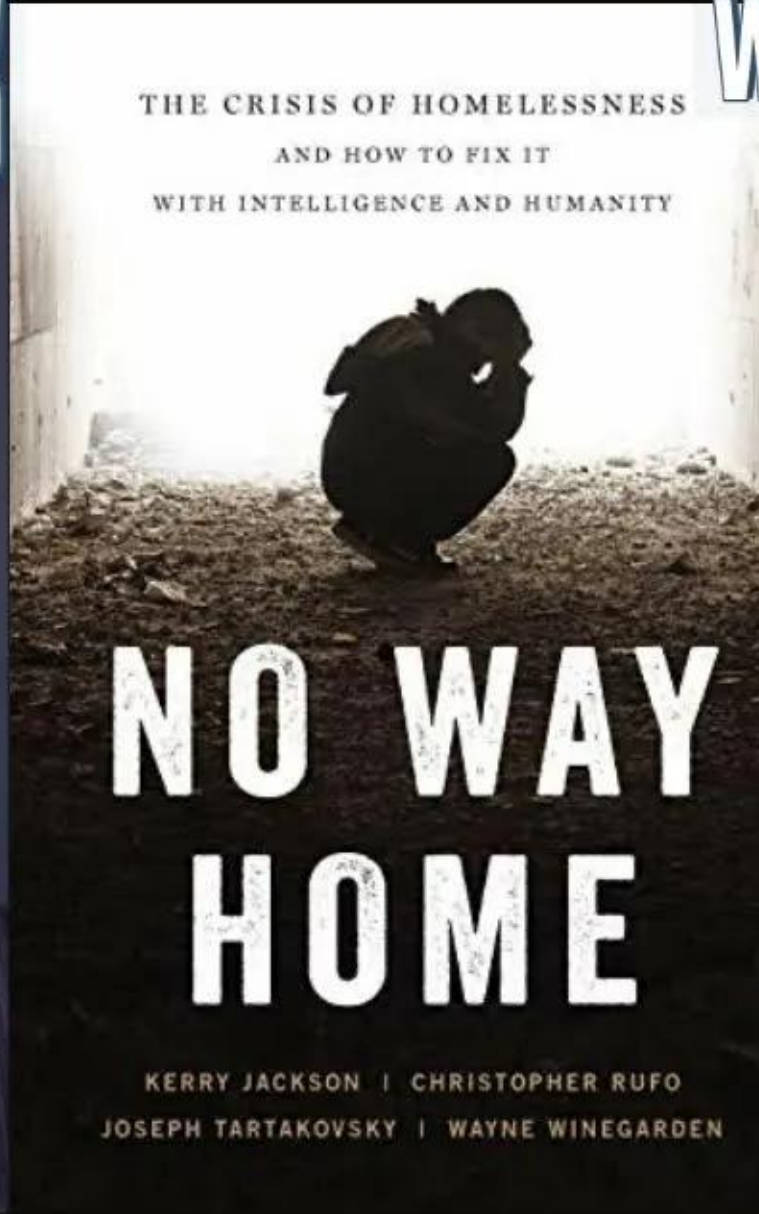


HIDDEN TRUTH SHOW WITH JIM BRESLO



WAYNE WINEGARDEN



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00:00:03,270 --> 00:00:01,189

[Music]

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okay now for our interview with wayne

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00:00:08,470 --> 00:00:06,799

weingarten congratulations on uh

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00:00:10,950 --> 00:00:08,480

the new book which i guess was just came

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00:00:12,870 --> 00:00:10,960

out recently right it just came out it

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00:00:15,270 --> 00:00:12,880

was a co-authored book by

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the four of us and i i thought one of

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00:00:18,950 --> 00:00:17,440

the great things about this book is we

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00:00:20,830 --> 00:00:18,960

all come from different perspectives so

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00:00:22,790 --> 00:00:20,840

we were able to take a kind of a

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00:00:24,870 --> 00:00:22,800

multi-disciplinary look at the homeless

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00:00:25,830 --> 00:00:24,880

problem really try to understand where

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00:00:28,310 --> 00:00:25,840

it came from

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00:00:29,750 --> 00:00:28,320

and by understanding what drives it come

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00:00:32,150 --> 00:00:29,760

up with actual solutions

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00:00:33,910 --> 00:00:32,160

to to you know help help alleviate the

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00:00:36,709 --> 00:00:33,920

problem

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00:00:37,830 --> 00:00:36,719

so um yeah i mean obviously you're

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00:00:40,950 --> 00:00:37,840

hoping to affect

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00:00:44,310 --> 00:00:40,960

public policy with this book although

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in california good luck with that

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00:00:47,830 --> 00:00:46,719

yeah well you know i i think there's a

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00:00:50,069 --> 00:00:47,840

lot of good luck with that with

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00:00:52,470 --> 00:00:50,079

california policies quite frankly but

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00:00:53,270 --> 00:00:52,480

that's that's our goal i think you know

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00:00:55,110 --> 00:00:53,280

remember the

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00:00:56,549 --> 00:00:55,120

tax revolution of the 80s started in

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00:00:59,349 --> 00:00:56,559

california with prop

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00:01:01,110 --> 00:00:59,359

13. so you know my hope is you know we

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00:01:02,389 --> 00:01:01,120

we've got to keep talking about what the

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00:01:03,910 --> 00:01:02,399

right solutions are

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00:01:05,910 --> 00:01:03,920

you know free market solutions to

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00:01:07,590 --> 00:01:05,920

address these problems to to use

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00:01:08,469 --> 00:01:07,600

government effectively but not have

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00:01:11,670 --> 00:01:08,479

government

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00:01:13,990 --> 00:01:11,680

uh be the the answer and uh you know

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00:01:15,190 --> 00:01:14,000

if we keep pushing we keep researching

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00:01:17,910 --> 00:01:15,200

keep educating

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00:01:19,429 --> 00:01:17,920

uh we can get there yeah i'm an optimist

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00:01:21,350 --> 00:01:19,439

the california people

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00:01:23,670 --> 00:01:21,360

are on your side they've proven that by

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00:01:26,870 --> 00:01:23,680

how they voted in the recent

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00:01:28,789 --> 00:01:26,880

ballot initiatives in november where

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00:01:30,069 --> 00:01:28,799

they voted conservatively on like five

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00:01:31,670 --> 00:01:30,079

or six very key

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00:01:33,510 --> 00:01:31,680

things things like rent control and so

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00:01:35,590 --> 00:01:33,520

on that they vote down

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00:01:36,550 --> 00:01:35,600

and affirmative action that they vote

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00:01:38,950 --> 00:01:36,560

down so

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00:01:40,149 --> 00:01:38,960

it's the politicians that aren't

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00:01:42,230 --> 00:01:40,159

listening

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00:01:43,190 --> 00:01:42,240

right and so that's you know but if you

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00:01:44,950 --> 00:01:43,200

have the people

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00:01:46,389 --> 00:01:44,960

you'll eventually get the politicians

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00:01:47,749 --> 00:01:46,399

yeah that's that's my hope

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00:01:49,030 --> 00:01:47,759

and voting that rent control is

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00:01:49,749 --> 00:01:49,040

incredibly important for homelessness

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00:01:51,990 --> 00:01:49,759

too

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00:01:53,590 --> 00:01:52,000

right yeah we'll get into all that and

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00:01:55,590 --> 00:01:53,600

you know california may have a

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00:01:57,270 --> 00:01:55,600

very important election coming up if the

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00:02:00,789 --> 00:01:57,280

recall thing happens which

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00:02:03,030 --> 00:02:00,799

appears to be on course right now yeah

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00:02:04,469 --> 00:02:03,040

as far as i know yeah exactly on course

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00:02:05,749 --> 00:02:04,479

so we've we've covered homelessness a

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00:02:08,389 --> 00:02:05,759

little bit on the show i've written

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00:02:11,270 --> 00:02:08,399

about it a couple times uh for fox

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um so you know it used to be

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california's number one issue before

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00:02:17,510 --> 00:02:15,200

covid and it was going to be the issue i

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00:02:20,070 --> 00:02:17,520

think that was going to define newsome's

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00:02:20,710 --> 00:02:20,080

governorship as far as you know whether

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he was

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00:02:23,990 --> 00:02:22,160

everybody was going to see what he did

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00:02:26,550 --> 00:02:24,000

on homelessness and

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00:02:27,670 --> 00:02:26,560

covet of course you know sucks the air

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00:02:29,190 --> 00:02:27,680

out of everything else and now

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00:02:30,550 --> 00:02:29,200

everything's about covet and of course

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he's now he's being judged on

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how he did with covid um but before

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00:02:37,670 --> 00:02:35,200

covid it was all about homelessness and

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00:02:40,869 --> 00:02:37,680

the problem has only gotten worse

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00:02:41,670 --> 00:02:40,879

i see it firsthand here in venice where

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00:02:45,270 --> 00:02:41,680

i

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00:02:47,509 --> 00:02:45,280

absolutely

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00:02:50,070 --> 00:02:47,519

for sure the worst it's ever been since

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00:02:53,270 --> 00:02:50,080

i've been seeing venice for 30 years

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00:02:55,270 --> 00:02:53,280

um so the the the

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00:02:57,030 --> 00:02:55,280

the need for the book is clearly there

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00:02:59,190 --> 00:02:57,040

and the need for solutions is there

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kind of starting from the beginning i

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think we should start by defining

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homelessness

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00:03:05,670 --> 00:03:04,720

and the reason i say that is i've heard

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people define it

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00:03:10,630 --> 00:03:08,720

differently your average person like me

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00:03:12,630 --> 00:03:10,640

who thinks of homeless thinks of these

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00:03:14,390 --> 00:03:12,640

people that are sleeping on the streets

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00:03:15,910 --> 00:03:14,400

in venice and on the sidewalks and on

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00:03:17,910 --> 00:03:15,920

the beach and so on

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00:03:19,190 --> 00:03:17,920
but i've heard definitions that are much

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00:03:20,630 --> 00:03:19,200
broader than that

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00:03:22,390 --> 00:03:20,640
and it's anybody who doesn't have a

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00:03:26,149 --> 00:03:22,400
permanent address

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00:03:26,710 --> 00:03:26,159
so if i lost my job and i can't afford

106
00:03:29,030 --> 00:03:26,720
the rent

107
00:03:30,149 --> 00:03:29,040
and i move in with my sister or my

108
00:03:32,149 --> 00:03:30,159
friend

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00:03:33,990 --> 00:03:32,159
and so i'm sleeping on the couch or i'm

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00:03:36,309 --> 00:03:34,000
sleeping in a spare bedroom or whatever

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00:03:37,110 --> 00:03:36,319
that that person is defined as homeless

112
00:03:38,470 --> 00:03:37,120
so

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00:03:40,229 --> 00:03:38,480

if you did you guys nailed down a

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00:03:42,550 --> 00:03:40,239

specific definition of homeless and

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00:03:44,550 --> 00:03:42,560

when we get homeless counts out of

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00:03:46,229 --> 00:03:44,560

california or out of la county and so on

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00:03:47,830 --> 00:03:46,239

you know who is being included in these

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00:03:52,070 --> 00:03:47,840

counts

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00:03:54,949 --> 00:03:52,080

on housing urban development

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00:03:55,990 --> 00:03:54,959

their their accounts of people out on

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00:03:58,470 --> 00:03:56,000

the streets

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at the time that they did the count uh

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the 2020 that was 161 000 people

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00:04:05,110 --> 00:04:03,360

in california that were living on the

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00:04:06,869 --> 00:04:05,120

streets and that was

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00:04:08,949 --> 00:04:06,879
when we talked about homeless kind of

127
00:04:10,630 --> 00:04:08,959
our focus on those people

128
00:04:12,710 --> 00:04:10,640
who are actually living on the streets

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00:04:15,270 --> 00:04:12,720
now when you have someone who's

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00:04:16,949 --> 00:04:15,280
living with their sister for let's say

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00:04:17,830 --> 00:04:16,959
because they lost their job and can't

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00:04:21,189 --> 00:04:17,840
afford

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00:04:23,749 --> 00:04:21,199
that is part of the problem of

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00:04:24,390 --> 00:04:23,759
the situational homeless and so helping

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00:04:26,310 --> 00:04:24,400
address

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00:04:28,150 --> 00:04:26,320
those on the street by improving

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00:04:30,469 --> 00:04:28,160
affordability we would help

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00:04:31,590 --> 00:04:30,479

that group as well but that's not where

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00:04:34,469 --> 00:04:31,600

we focused i mean

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00:04:36,310 --> 00:04:34,479

that that is part of the process and

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it's also part of the solution

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so you would call those people

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00:04:42,629 --> 00:04:39,600

situational

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00:04:44,629 --> 00:04:42,639

homeless no we would call people who

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00:04:46,790 --> 00:04:44,639

if you are on the streets because of an

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00:04:49,670 --> 00:04:46,800

economic reason or life event reason

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00:04:50,550 --> 00:04:49,680

a divorce a health and health issue that

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00:04:52,870 --> 00:04:50,560

bankrupt you

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00:04:54,230 --> 00:04:52,880

that's more of a situational homeless

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00:04:55,830 --> 00:04:54,240

distinguishing that

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00:04:57,270 --> 00:04:55,840
and it's really important to distinguish

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00:04:59,030 --> 00:04:57,280
the different groups from

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00:05:01,189 --> 00:04:59,040
someone who's homeless because of mental

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00:05:04,070 --> 00:05:01,199
illness or substance abuse

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00:05:05,510 --> 00:05:04,080
and those issues of substance abuse led

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00:05:08,150 --> 00:05:05,520
to their homelessness

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00:05:09,270 --> 00:05:08,160
and there's a large portion of the

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00:05:11,510 --> 00:05:09,280
homeless today

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00:05:12,870 --> 00:05:11,520
are not situational which would be

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00:05:13,749 --> 00:05:12,880
people who would respond to positive

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00:05:15,749 --> 00:05:13,759
incentives

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00:05:16,870 --> 00:05:15,759
but are people who are suffering with

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00:05:18,629 --> 00:05:16,880

addiction and

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00:05:20,230 --> 00:05:18,639

suffering from mental illness which

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00:05:22,310 --> 00:05:20,240

creates a whole different

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00:05:23,590 --> 00:05:22,320

uh issues that you have to deal with in

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00:05:25,110 --> 00:05:23,600

order to help them

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00:05:26,870 --> 00:05:25,120

okay so how do you break down those

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percentages what percentage of the

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00:05:31,830 --> 00:05:28,560

people sleeping on

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the sidewalks are situational versus

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00:05:34,230 --> 00:05:33,120

chronic

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well i think one of the great things in

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the book we all didn't agree on

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well prime drivers so uh chris ruffo he

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00:05:42,070 --> 00:05:41,120
would say the vast majority he was one

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00:05:43,590 --> 00:05:42,080
of our co-authors

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he would say the vast majority of people

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on the street um were

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00:05:48,870 --> 00:05:47,600
because of addiction uh and substance

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00:05:50,950 --> 00:05:48,880
and a mental health illness

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00:05:52,790 --> 00:05:50,960
he refers to his heir of his trifecta

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00:05:54,950 --> 00:05:52,800
and so he would say most of them

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00:05:56,150 --> 00:05:54,960
i'm an economist so i tend to look at

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00:05:58,550 --> 00:05:56,160
economic reasons

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00:05:59,270 --> 00:05:58,560
and i think affordability is an

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00:06:01,270 --> 00:05:59,280
important

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00:06:03,430 --> 00:06:01,280

issue as well but if you look at the

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00:06:05,670 --> 00:06:03,440

data and this is really interesting

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00:06:07,510 --> 00:06:05,680

because homelessness as a problem was

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going down in california just like it

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00:06:10,710 --> 00:06:08,800

was in the u.s

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up into about 2014. so after the

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00:06:13,990 --> 00:06:11,840

mortgage crisis

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homelessness went up but we were getting

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things under

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control so 2014 is a big year because

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that's where

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in california homelessness was going up

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while it continued improving

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elsewhere you also had at that pivotal

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00:06:28,230 --> 00:06:25,680
year

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legal changes policy changes and

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affordability changes in housing so

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00:06:34,629 --> 00:06:32,800
all of those drivers for both mental

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illness and substance abuse

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00:06:37,670 --> 00:06:36,560
as well as affordability situational

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00:06:41,270 --> 00:06:37,680
homelessness all

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gotten worse in 2014 so when i was on my

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affordability if you go with the basic

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uh

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financial recommendation that about 30

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00:06:52,309 --> 00:06:49,759

percent of your gross income should be

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devoted to houston uh it's always a

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00:06:55,990 --> 00:06:54,000

little above that in california but it

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was going down after the crisis

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it started going up in 2014 and now it's

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up 40 50

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60 depending upon where you live so an

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incredible amount of your income has to

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go towards

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their housing makes you much more

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financially vulnerable at that same time

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we were making policy changes

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that made it uh harder to help people

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who are

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substance abuse and uh addicted so we

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have them

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uh more on the streets and less in uh

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hospitals that could help them so you

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have both trends getting worse

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as of 2014. so

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you know i jotted down a few causes i'm

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sure you would agree with these and tell

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me if i'm

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missing but but affordable housing being

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one

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addictions being another right

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mental illness being a cause

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and then the one that i actually cite as

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00:07:48,869 --> 00:07:47,039

number one that i think you've just

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00:07:49,670 --> 00:07:48,879

alluded to it but curious your thoughts

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00:07:53,110 --> 00:07:49,680

on it

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is simply that it is allowed

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00:07:56,390 --> 00:07:54,800

you know if you allow something you

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00:07:58,070 --> 00:07:56,400

build it they will come you allow

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00:08:01,430 --> 00:07:58,080

something it will happen if it's

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not allowed then people have to

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do something else they have to figure

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out something else now they may wind up

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00:08:09,270 --> 00:08:08,160
in jail but they also may wind up in a

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treatment center

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00:08:12,469 --> 00:08:11,039
they also may wind up sleeping with a

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00:08:15,430 --> 00:08:12,479
friend or family

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reaching out and finding solutions but

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when you make an easy solution

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sleeping on the sidewalk or by the beach

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which

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00:08:24,950 --> 00:08:23,039
by the way a lot of people like living

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00:08:26,950 --> 00:08:24,960
at venice beach the homes are 10 million

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00:08:29,909 --> 00:08:26,960
dollars each to live on the beach

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00:08:31,430 --> 00:08:29,919
so you know i know it maybe it sounds

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00:08:31,909 --> 00:08:31,440

some people may call me callous to say

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00:08:33,350 --> 00:08:31,919

that oh

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how could you suggest sleeping outside

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00:08:36,149 --> 00:08:35,760

is is something that people would want

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00:08:39,430 --> 00:08:36,159

but

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00:08:41,269 --> 00:08:39,440

um you know there's a reason why there's

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00:08:42,870 --> 00:08:41,279

a thousand people sleeping on the beach

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00:08:43,829 --> 00:08:42,880

in venice they choose venice beach

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00:08:46,870 --> 00:08:43,839

because it's a

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00:08:50,630 --> 00:08:46,880

it's a a nice place to be

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um but i i think the allowing it

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thing which is a change that i'm sure

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you're familiar with i'd like to hear

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your thoughts on in the past

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five or six years um is perhaps the

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biggest driver

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yeah one of the co-authors of joseph

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tarkowski he was a he's a lawyer

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uh and he goes through this very

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carefully talking about

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00:09:10,630 --> 00:09:09,519

uh how the legal environment has changed

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00:09:12,630 --> 00:09:10,640

drastically

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00:09:13,750 --> 00:09:12,640

so that where you used to have uh

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00:09:15,990 --> 00:09:13,760

vacancy laws

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00:09:17,670 --> 00:09:16,000

uh and you would literally you know 1800

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00:09:19,910 --> 00:09:17,680

run people out of town

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00:09:21,430 --> 00:09:19,920

and how that's evolved into and i don't

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00:09:23,190 --> 00:09:21,440

know if you were referring to

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00:09:24,550 --> 00:09:23,200

the the boise decision at the 9th

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00:09:27,350 --> 00:09:24,560

circuit which is

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00:09:28,070 --> 00:09:27,360

essentially creating and i think it is

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00:09:30,630 --> 00:09:28,080

actually

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00:09:31,350 --> 00:09:30,640

creating a right to live on the streets

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00:09:33,829 --> 00:09:31,360

that didn't

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00:09:34,949 --> 00:09:33,839

exist before and that is a very

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00:09:37,350 --> 00:09:34,959

important

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00:09:38,710 --> 00:09:37,360

cause because now you had a situation

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00:09:41,910 --> 00:09:38,720

where law enforcement

301
00:09:43,350 --> 00:09:41,920
they really can't you know have someone

302
00:09:45,670 --> 00:09:43,360
who is sleeping on the streets

303
00:09:47,430 --> 00:09:45,680
violative agency laws unless you can be

304
00:09:47,750 --> 00:09:47,440
certain that there's a bed available for

305
00:09:49,670 --> 00:09:47,760
that

306
00:09:51,350 --> 00:09:49,680
person you can't move them and they

307
00:09:53,430 --> 00:09:51,360
don't have the information to know

308
00:09:56,230 --> 00:09:53,440
whether or not there is a bed available

309
00:09:58,550 --> 00:09:56,240
and so it's evolved into that

310
00:10:00,470 --> 00:09:58,560
essential right you know effective i

311
00:10:01,910 --> 00:10:00,480
should say right to live on the street

312
00:10:04,069 --> 00:10:01,920
uh and when you combine that with other

313
00:10:07,110 --> 00:10:04,079

legal changes like prop 47

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00:10:08,230 --> 00:10:07,120

where you can eat you know essentially

315

00:10:10,389 --> 00:10:08,240

steal

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00:10:11,590 --> 00:10:10,399

and you can still up to 950 to be a

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00:10:13,590 --> 00:10:11,600

misdemeanor

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00:10:15,030 --> 00:10:13,600

and so people aren't going to enforce it

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00:10:16,389 --> 00:10:15,040

the cops aren't enforcing it

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00:10:18,150 --> 00:10:16,399

and so now not only do you have a right

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00:10:20,150 --> 00:10:18,160

to live on the street but you have a

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00:10:22,310 --> 00:10:20,160

means to support a drug habit

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00:10:24,150 --> 00:10:22,320

and so if you're addicted and your

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00:10:26,550 --> 00:10:24,160

addiction has led you

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00:10:28,069 --> 00:10:26,560

to the streets but you're you're happy

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00:10:28,389 --> 00:10:28,079

sleeping on the beach or wherever it

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00:10:31,190 --> 00:10:28,399

might

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00:10:32,710 --> 00:10:31,200

be and you have a means to get money to

329

00:10:35,430 --> 00:10:32,720

feed your addiction

330

00:10:36,470 --> 00:10:35,440

we've now enabled a destructive

331

00:10:39,350 --> 00:10:36,480

lifestyle

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00:10:40,150 --> 00:10:39,360

whereas uh if you had a different system

333

00:10:44,790 --> 00:10:40,160

that

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00:10:47,110 --> 00:10:44,800

writes a lot about which is

335

00:10:48,710 --> 00:10:47,120

that we're using we we've gotten rid of

336

00:10:51,350 --> 00:10:48,720

these asylums

337

00:10:52,389 --> 00:10:51,360

because they were awful places and

338

00:10:53,829 --> 00:10:52,399

needed to perform

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00:10:55,910 --> 00:10:53,839

but what we've done and said is just

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00:10:58,389 --> 00:10:55,920

throwing people on the street and

341

00:10:59,990 --> 00:10:58,399

um instead of being in a mental

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00:11:01,430 --> 00:11:00,000

institution that could help them you're

343

00:11:03,670 --> 00:11:01,440

either going to jail

344

00:11:05,910 --> 00:11:03,680

or living on the street or you know

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00:11:08,230 --> 00:11:05,920

perhaps in a shelter bed but you're

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00:11:10,069 --> 00:11:08,240

cycling along to those areas and we're

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00:11:11,829 --> 00:11:10,079

not actually helping people

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00:11:13,509 --> 00:11:11,839

with a mental illness kind of address

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00:11:13,990 --> 00:11:13,519

those mental illness or address their

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00:11:16,550 --> 00:11:14,000

addiction

351
00:11:17,430 --> 00:11:16,560
so it's it's enabling that destructive

352
00:11:20,069 --> 00:11:17,440
lifestyle

353
00:11:21,509 --> 00:11:20,079
that created the wrong type of positive

354
00:11:22,150 --> 00:11:21,519
incentive right retain a positive

355
00:11:23,990 --> 00:11:22,160
incentive

356
00:11:26,630 --> 00:11:24,000
to be homeless on the street which is

357
00:11:28,470 --> 00:11:26,640
the exact opposite of what we want to do

358
00:11:29,750 --> 00:11:28,480
yeah just so people are aware and i have

359
00:11:31,190 --> 00:11:29,760
talked about it before but yeah this

360
00:11:33,590 --> 00:11:31,200
boise decision

361
00:11:35,670 --> 00:11:33,600
basically said that it is cruel and

362
00:11:39,269 --> 00:11:35,680
unusual punishment

363
00:11:42,470 --> 00:11:39,279

to i guess imprison or find

364

00:11:43,990 --> 00:11:42,480

someone um for sleeping on the street

365

00:11:47,350 --> 00:11:44,000

unless you can show that the

366

00:11:48,949 --> 00:11:47,360

state is providing housing

367

00:11:50,150 --> 00:11:48,959

available housing for this person so

368

00:11:50,550 --> 00:11:50,160

it's really as you're pointing it's

369

00:11:54,629 --> 00:11:50,560

putting an

370

00:11:57,670 --> 00:11:54,639

obligation on the government to house

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00:12:00,629 --> 00:11:57,680

all of its citizens because unless

372

00:12:02,230 --> 00:12:00,639

you've got that available for them

373

00:12:05,430 --> 00:12:02,240

they are allowed to sleep wherever they

374

00:12:06,389 --> 00:12:05,440

want to sleep and you can't protect your

375

00:12:10,310 --> 00:12:06,399

parks

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00:12:13,430 --> 00:12:10,320

you can't protect your sidewalks etc

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00:12:15,910 --> 00:12:13,440

to allow families to enjoy them

378

00:12:16,550 --> 00:12:15,920

you know you you can't walk your kid

379

00:12:18,310 --> 00:12:16,560

down the

380

00:12:20,230 --> 00:12:18,320

streets in venice right now it's not

381

00:12:22,470 --> 00:12:20,240

safe to take your children

382

00:12:24,470 --> 00:12:22,480

to venice so this beach that's supposed

383

00:12:27,910 --> 00:12:24,480

to be there for the public to enjoy

384

00:12:29,829 --> 00:12:27,920

we cannot enjoy because

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00:12:31,670 --> 00:12:29,839

under this court ruling los angeles

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00:12:33,030 --> 00:12:31,680

doesn't have enough housing to house

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00:12:34,949 --> 00:12:33,040

everybody for free

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00:12:36,629 --> 00:12:34,959

and therefore they have to be allowed to

389

00:12:39,509 --> 00:12:36,639

sleep on the sidewalks

390

00:12:40,310 --> 00:12:39,519

yeah it it it really does and and that

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00:12:42,389 --> 00:12:40,320

was one of the things

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00:12:44,150 --> 00:12:42,399

and joseph does a wonderful job going

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00:12:45,190 --> 00:12:44,160

through this but you see this legal

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00:12:48,310 --> 00:12:45,200

evolution

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00:12:49,670 --> 00:12:48,320

which you could say in my opinion it was

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00:12:51,829 --> 00:12:49,680

way too

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00:12:53,430 --> 00:12:51,839

harsh on the one end but as opposed to

398

00:12:55,509 --> 00:12:53,440

finding a reasonable place where

399

00:12:57,110 --> 00:12:55,519

we can actually help people we've we

400

00:13:00,790 --> 00:12:57,120

swung the pendulum

401
00:13:02,710 --> 00:13:00,800
completely to the other side so

402
00:13:04,389 --> 00:13:02,720
what do we see in other countries as far

403
00:13:05,430 --> 00:13:04,399
as the extent of the homeless problem

404
00:13:08,550 --> 00:13:05,440
versus

405
00:13:10,069 --> 00:13:08,560
us and in particular california and

406
00:13:11,910 --> 00:13:10,079
what what are the solutions that you see

407
00:13:13,509 --> 00:13:11,920
out there that other countries or other

408
00:13:15,430 --> 00:13:13,519
states are doing that that

409
00:13:17,269 --> 00:13:15,440
california needs to adopt you know i

410
00:13:18,870 --> 00:13:17,279
mean we focus mostly on other states

411
00:13:21,509 --> 00:13:18,880
rather than other countries

412
00:13:23,190 --> 00:13:21,519
and it's since it's such a

413
00:13:24,470 --> 00:13:23,200

multi-dimensional problem

414

00:13:25,750 --> 00:13:24,480

the the solutions have to be

415

00:13:26,389 --> 00:13:25,760

multi-dimensional i think that's the

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00:13:28,150 --> 00:13:26,399

first

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00:13:29,750 --> 00:13:28,160

thing we have to realize there's no easy

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00:13:32,629 --> 00:13:29,760

solution there's no

419

00:13:33,990 --> 00:13:32,639

silver bullet uh that oh you know this

420

00:13:35,590 --> 00:13:34,000

needs to do this one thing and we'll

421

00:13:38,870 --> 00:13:35,600

have it solved

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00:13:41,750 --> 00:13:38,880

i think we need to address each uh

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00:13:43,350 --> 00:13:41,760

cause uh and target that cause target

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00:13:45,750 --> 00:13:43,360

the regulations that are

425

00:13:46,470 --> 00:13:45,760

are driving up costs and leading these

426
00:13:48,870 --> 00:13:46,480
outcomes

427
00:13:49,990 --> 00:13:48,880
we definitely need legal reform and then

428
00:13:52,949 --> 00:13:50,000
we also need to

429
00:13:54,790 --> 00:13:52,959
leverage the private sector there's some

430
00:13:57,910 --> 00:13:54,800
brilliant non-profits

431
00:13:59,030 --> 00:13:57,920
that do a much better job of sustainably

432
00:14:00,470 --> 00:13:59,040
helping people

433
00:14:02,629 --> 00:14:00,480
one that we highlight in the book it's

434
00:14:05,990 --> 00:14:02,639
called shelters to shutters it's

435
00:14:06,949 --> 00:14:06,000
it's actually um headquartered in vienna

436
00:14:08,949 --> 00:14:06,959
virginia

437
00:14:10,230 --> 00:14:08,959
and they they focus more on the

438
00:14:12,949 --> 00:14:10,240

situational homeless

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00:14:14,150 --> 00:14:12,959

where uh they instead of just giving

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00:14:16,790 --> 00:14:14,160

someone who's homeless

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00:14:18,310 --> 00:14:16,800

a place to stay they focus on getting

442

00:14:21,509 --> 00:14:18,320

them a job

443

00:14:23,990 --> 00:14:21,519

uh so that again you're creating a

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00:14:25,670 --> 00:14:24,000

sustainable path for them so it's not

445

00:14:26,310 --> 00:14:25,680

that they're just in a home but they now

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00:14:29,189 --> 00:14:26,320

have

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00:14:30,470 --> 00:14:29,199

a way to actually you know pay for their

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00:14:34,069 --> 00:14:30,480

home and to kind of

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00:14:35,430 --> 00:14:34,079

re re-engage in society uh and re-engage

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00:14:36,470 --> 00:14:35,440

kind of get back on that path to

451
00:14:39,990 --> 00:14:36,480
prosperity

452
00:14:41,430 --> 00:14:40,000
uh and so that holistic um perspective

453
00:14:43,269 --> 00:14:41,440
a lot of the private nonprofits are able

454
00:14:44,150 --> 00:14:43,279
to take that and they're also much more

455
00:14:46,310 --> 00:14:44,160
flexible

456
00:14:47,189 --> 00:14:46,320
right so that they they're able to learn

457
00:14:50,949 --> 00:14:47,199
they're able to

458
00:14:53,430 --> 00:14:50,959
uh adopt their policies to fit the needs

459
00:14:54,150 --> 00:14:53,440
of of the particular homeless population

460
00:14:55,430 --> 00:14:54,160
they're serving

461
00:14:57,189 --> 00:14:55,440
the government programs just don't

462
00:14:59,350 --> 00:14:57,199
demonstrate that type of

463
00:15:01,030 --> 00:14:59,360

flexibility that type of innovation so

464

00:15:02,790 --> 00:15:01,040

one of the things we suggest is

465

00:15:04,230 --> 00:15:02,800

to provide services we have to rely more

466

00:15:06,710 --> 00:15:04,240

on the nonprofits

467

00:15:07,269 --> 00:15:06,720

yeah how do we how do we encourage that

468

00:15:09,030 --> 00:15:07,279

because

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00:15:11,030 --> 00:15:09,040

you know i've always said that you know

470

00:15:14,310 --> 00:15:11,040

the best type of charity

471

00:15:16,069 --> 00:15:14,320

is is not coming from the government but

472

00:15:17,990 --> 00:15:16,079

but good old-fashioned charities that

473

00:15:20,550 --> 00:15:18,000

the local churches

474

00:15:21,030 --> 00:15:20,560

um you know keeping things local where

475

00:15:24,069 --> 00:15:21,040

you really

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00:15:25,910 --> 00:15:24,079

understand the issues in your community

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00:15:27,829 --> 00:15:25,920

i mean trying to set solutions that come

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00:15:30,230 --> 00:15:27,839

from sacramento or dc

479

00:15:31,269 --> 00:15:30,240

when every community's problem is so

480

00:15:32,790 --> 00:15:31,279

different just

481

00:15:34,470 --> 00:15:32,800

doesn't work here where i live in

482

00:15:35,189 --> 00:15:34,480

pacific palisades i've talked about

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00:15:37,430 --> 00:15:35,199

before

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00:15:39,509 --> 00:15:37,440

a little local group was set up with

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00:15:41,590 --> 00:15:39,519

donations from local homeowners because

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00:15:43,670 --> 00:15:41,600

people don't like to step over homeless

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00:15:46,150 --> 00:15:43,680

people as you're walking to the beach

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00:15:46,949 --> 00:15:46,160

and it's an outreach program and they

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00:15:49,829 --> 00:15:46,959

have like

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00:15:52,150 --> 00:15:49,839

six full-time staff that all they do is

491

00:15:53,910 --> 00:15:52,160

talk to the homeless every single day

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00:15:55,189 --> 00:15:53,920

trying to build their trust

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00:15:57,430 --> 00:15:55,199

understanding their issue

494

00:15:58,629 --> 00:15:57,440

and then ultimately encouraging them and

495

00:16:00,629 --> 00:15:58,639

getting them to

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00:16:02,230 --> 00:16:00,639

agree that yes i'll go into a shelter

497

00:16:03,590 --> 00:16:02,240

and then they find the shelter for them

498

00:16:05,030 --> 00:16:03,600

and then they even follow up with them

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00:16:06,870 --> 00:16:05,040

on the shelter and guess what

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00:16:08,150 --> 00:16:06,880

homelessness in pacific palisades is

501
00:16:10,069 --> 00:16:08,160
down 50

502
00:16:11,430 --> 00:16:10,079
whereas it's up everywhere else in the

503
00:16:13,590 --> 00:16:11,440
city of los angeles

504
00:16:14,870 --> 00:16:13,600
in pacific palisades is actually down 50

505
00:16:17,749 --> 00:16:14,880
as a result of this

506
00:16:19,590 --> 00:16:17,759
little group of five or six people

507
00:16:21,670 --> 00:16:19,600
working

508
00:16:23,430 --> 00:16:21,680
and that's exactly those programs that

509
00:16:25,110 --> 00:16:23,440
type of positive incentives that's

510
00:16:26,710 --> 00:16:25,120
those are the successes you see

511
00:16:27,990 --> 00:16:26,720
elsewhere they're implementing those

512
00:16:30,629 --> 00:16:28,000
types of programs there's a

513
00:16:32,470 --> 00:16:30,639

a day room that it's out of kentucky uh

514

00:16:34,710 --> 00:16:32,480

which has been very successful where

515

00:16:37,189 --> 00:16:34,720

they provide services that homeless

516

00:16:38,790 --> 00:16:37,199

people would need a shower

517

00:16:40,710 --> 00:16:38,800

ability to plug in a phone things of

518

00:16:41,910 --> 00:16:40,720

that nature but they use that

519

00:16:44,470 --> 00:16:41,920

interaction

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00:16:45,269 --> 00:16:44,480

as a as a as a way to interact with the

521

00:16:47,189 --> 00:16:45,279

homeless

522

00:16:49,509 --> 00:16:47,199

and to get them to the services they

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00:16:52,949 --> 00:16:49,519

need so you you you provide

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00:16:55,030 --> 00:16:52,959

a means to have a positive connection

525

00:16:56,470 --> 00:16:55,040

and you that then gets them to the

526

00:16:58,389 --> 00:16:56,480

services they need

527

00:16:59,590 --> 00:16:58,399

helps obviously the homeless because now

528

00:17:02,230 --> 00:16:59,600

they can move on to

529

00:17:03,269 --> 00:17:02,240

and uh and address their own issues and

530

00:17:05,510 --> 00:17:03,279

kind of get back

531

00:17:06,870 --> 00:17:05,520

uh into shelter and obviously helps the

532

00:17:08,789 --> 00:17:06,880

community helps the economy

533

00:17:09,669 --> 00:17:08,799

so it's really a win-win situation

534

00:17:10,470 --> 00:17:09,679

you're talking about what can the

535

00:17:12,870 --> 00:17:10,480

government do

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00:17:13,829 --> 00:17:12,880

part of it is outsource the shelters too

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00:17:15,750 --> 00:17:13,839

so that you know

538

00:17:17,350 --> 00:17:15,760

you have said the government running

539

00:17:19,669 --> 00:17:17,360

shelters

540

00:17:21,909 --> 00:17:19,679

use that money to support the private

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00:17:24,230 --> 00:17:21,919

shelters

542

00:17:25,909 --> 00:17:24,240

yeah it's just you know it's the never

543

00:17:27,909 --> 00:17:25,919

let a good crisis go to waste

544

00:17:29,590 --> 00:17:27,919

mentality it seems that the left likes

545

00:17:32,390 --> 00:17:29,600

to follow and

546

00:17:33,830 --> 00:17:32,400

rather than common sense solutions

547

00:17:35,590 --> 00:17:33,840

they're going to use this as an

548

00:17:37,190 --> 00:17:35,600

opportunity to implement

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00:17:38,710 --> 00:17:37,200

pet policies that couldn't be

550

00:17:40,950 --> 00:17:38,720

implemented otherwise so

551
00:17:41,990 --> 00:17:40,960
that's right if it's paying policy

552
00:17:44,710 --> 00:17:42,000
crisis

553
00:17:45,270 --> 00:17:44,720
so rent control is something that you

554
00:17:48,310 --> 00:17:45,280
see

555
00:17:51,669 --> 00:17:48,320
that comes out as a solution

556
00:17:52,870 --> 00:17:51,679
to the homeless problem um building more

557
00:17:56,070 --> 00:17:52,880
affordable housing

558
00:17:57,190 --> 00:17:56,080
government housing as a solution to the

559
00:18:00,230 --> 00:17:57,200
homeless problem these

560
00:18:01,430 --> 00:18:00,240
big government policies coming out of dc

561
00:18:03,750 --> 00:18:01,440
and sacramento

562
00:18:05,430 --> 00:18:03,760
right and one of the things you see is

563
00:18:08,789 --> 00:18:05,440

that those are just ineffective

564

00:18:10,470 --> 00:18:08,799

the the affordable housing it costs so

565

00:18:11,990 --> 00:18:10,480

much to build affordable housing because

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00:18:13,990 --> 00:18:12,000

of all the regulations

567

00:18:15,909 --> 00:18:14,000

because of the zoning regulations you

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00:18:18,549 --> 00:18:15,919

can't get anything built for years

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00:18:19,590 --> 00:18:18,559

if we have 161 000 people on the streets

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00:18:22,070 --> 00:18:19,600

of california

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00:18:23,110 --> 00:18:22,080

and it takes four years or five years or

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00:18:25,669 --> 00:18:23,120

whatever it takes

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00:18:28,310 --> 00:18:25,679

to build uh affordable housing how is

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00:18:31,909 --> 00:18:28,320

that a solution in here and now i mean

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00:18:32,549 --> 00:18:31,919

it it's it's um they're great talking

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00:18:35,190 --> 00:18:32,559

points

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00:18:36,150 --> 00:18:35,200

and i think one of the things that the

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00:18:38,070 --> 00:18:36,160

the left

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00:18:39,990 --> 00:18:38,080

the progressives have mastered is

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00:18:42,549 --> 00:18:40,000

getting their policies judged

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00:18:43,590 --> 00:18:42,559

based on the intentions it's the how's

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00:18:45,110 --> 00:18:43,600

everyone act

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00:18:47,190 --> 00:18:45,120

and we're going to base it judge it

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00:18:50,230 --> 00:18:47,200

based on the name of the act

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00:18:52,710 --> 00:18:50,240

not are you actually housing people

586

00:18:53,830 --> 00:18:52,720

and so that and when you base it on that

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00:18:57,350 --> 00:18:53,840

rent control

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00:18:59,430 --> 00:18:57,360

it it reduces the supply of housing and

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00:19:00,549 --> 00:18:59,440

increases the cost of housing and leads

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00:19:02,630 --> 00:19:00,559

to more homelessness

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00:19:03,750 --> 00:19:02,640

so if you're going to expand rent

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00:19:05,590 --> 00:19:03,760

control as

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00:19:06,630 --> 00:19:05,600

a solution to homelessness all you're

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00:19:08,150 --> 00:19:06,640

going to do is increase the number of

595

00:19:10,150 --> 00:19:08,160

homeless people

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00:19:11,190 --> 00:19:10,160

you know sequa right it's supposed to be

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00:19:13,669 --> 00:19:11,200

there to help

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00:19:14,549 --> 00:19:13,679

with the environment it's the biggest

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00:19:17,190 --> 00:19:14,559

barrier

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00:19:18,070 --> 00:19:17,200

we have right now in the states to build

601
00:19:20,310 --> 00:19:18,080
housing

602
00:19:21,909 --> 00:19:20,320
and it's a huge cost increase and it's a

603
00:19:25,110 --> 00:19:21,919
huge time delay

604
00:19:26,549 --> 00:19:25,120
if we don't reform things of that nature

605
00:19:28,230 --> 00:19:26,559
affordable housing will continue to be

606
00:19:30,070 --> 00:19:28,240
an oxymoron

607
00:19:31,510 --> 00:19:30,080
in the state and you won't solve the

608
00:19:32,950 --> 00:19:31,520
homeless problem

609
00:19:35,190 --> 00:19:32,960
yeah well that's what they're doing

610
00:19:36,870 --> 00:19:35,200
they're they're building housing for the

611
00:19:40,310 --> 00:19:36,880
homeless i think it's coming out to

612
00:19:43,029 --> 00:19:40,320
a cost of about 700 000 per

613
00:19:43,669 --> 00:19:43,039

you know one or two bedroom apartment

614

00:19:44,870 --> 00:19:43,679

and you know

615

00:19:46,630 --> 00:19:44,880

more expensive than the average

616

00:19:47,990 --> 00:19:46,640

apartment in the cities yeah well look

617

00:19:49,990 --> 00:19:48,000

anytime the government

618

00:19:52,150 --> 00:19:50,000

builds something you can assume there's

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00:19:53,909 --> 00:19:52,160

going to be massive inefficiency

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00:19:55,590 --> 00:19:53,919

not to mention likely corruption as far

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00:19:57,750 --> 00:19:55,600

as who gets the work and

622

00:19:58,950 --> 00:19:57,760

the payoff to politicians from these

623

00:20:01,510 --> 00:19:58,960

companies and then you know

624

00:20:02,789 --> 00:20:01,520

to campaign contributions and all kinds

625

00:20:06,070 --> 00:20:02,799

of nonsense

626
00:20:07,270 --> 00:20:06,080
and then where do they build it they

627
00:20:10,390 --> 00:20:07,280
build the shelter

628
00:20:12,950 --> 00:20:10,400
right in the heart of venice

629
00:20:14,230 --> 00:20:12,960
one block from the beach and their

630
00:20:15,430 --> 00:20:14,240
answer is well that's

631
00:20:17,510 --> 00:20:15,440
because that's where all the homeless

632
00:20:20,149 --> 00:20:17,520
are we're gonna build it there

633
00:20:21,029 --> 00:20:20,159
but mike you chose the most expensive

634
00:20:23,350 --> 00:20:21,039
real estate

635
00:20:24,390 --> 00:20:23,360
in the city of los angeles not to

636
00:20:26,310 --> 00:20:24,400
mention

637
00:20:27,750 --> 00:20:26,320
one of our biggest tourist destinations

638
00:20:30,549 --> 00:20:27,760

for los angeles

639

00:20:31,350 --> 00:20:30,559

and right in the center of venice you're

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00:20:33,750 --> 00:20:31,360

they're building

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00:20:35,029 --> 00:20:33,760

this massive homeless shelter as opposed

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00:20:39,110 --> 00:20:35,039

to putting it in

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00:20:40,390 --> 00:20:39,120

a far less expensive area of los angeles

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00:20:43,190 --> 00:20:40,400

you would almost be better off just

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00:20:46,310 --> 00:20:43,200

selling those units off as a private

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00:20:47,590 --> 00:20:46,320

apartment to fund two shelters more

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00:20:49,190 --> 00:20:47,600

inland

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00:20:51,350 --> 00:20:49,200

now that's that's spoken like a real

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00:20:53,110 --> 00:20:51,360

free market economist

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00:20:54,630 --> 00:20:53,120

you're right those would go for two

651
00:20:56,789 --> 00:20:54,640
million dollars each

652
00:20:58,070 --> 00:20:56,799
based on the location of this thing

653
00:20:59,510 --> 00:20:58,080
right and that's

654
00:21:01,909 --> 00:20:59,520
that's the government ways that's why we

655
00:21:03,909 --> 00:21:01,919
need again outsourcing to private

656
00:21:05,590 --> 00:21:03,919
nonprofits so we get away from

657
00:21:07,190 --> 00:21:05,600
that type of nonsense the more it's

658
00:21:09,190 --> 00:21:07,200
funding uh you know

659
00:21:10,789 --> 00:21:09,200
the private groups the less waste it's

660
00:21:12,070 --> 00:21:10,799
going to be and they can focus the

661
00:21:13,669 --> 00:21:12,080
government can focus on

662
00:21:15,590 --> 00:21:13,679
managing the contracts government's very

663
00:21:17,669 --> 00:21:15,600

good at giving away money

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00:21:19,110 --> 00:21:17,679

let them focus on what they're good at

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00:21:20,630 --> 00:21:19,120

and that the organizations that have

666

00:21:22,870 --> 00:21:20,640

demonstrated ability

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00:21:25,750 --> 00:21:22,880

to actually help the homeless have the

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00:21:28,870 --> 00:21:25,760

resources to do what's necessary

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00:21:31,350 --> 00:21:28,880

so as you kind of tick through

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00:21:33,270 --> 00:21:31,360

the various causes and then therefore

671

00:21:34,630 --> 00:21:33,280

the solutions

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00:21:36,310 --> 00:21:34,640

again i i mean i don't know if you agree

673

00:21:37,430 --> 00:21:36,320

with me i think the number one thing is

674

00:21:39,990 --> 00:21:37,440

the fact that we

675

00:21:41,270 --> 00:21:40,000

that we allow it um but you know at

676
00:21:42,789 --> 00:21:41,280
least california and some of these

677
00:21:43,350 --> 00:21:42,799
western states were under this court

678
00:21:44,789 --> 00:21:43,360
ruling

679
00:21:46,950 --> 00:21:44,799
that says that you have to have

680
00:21:50,470 --> 00:21:46,960
sufficient housing in order to

681
00:21:53,510 --> 00:21:50,480
enforce no sleeping on the sidewalk so

682
00:21:56,549 --> 00:21:53,520
how do we traverse that well

683
00:21:59,110 --> 00:21:56,559
one thing is to san diego has a very

684
00:22:01,190 --> 00:21:59,120
innovative kind of tent uh shelter which

685
00:22:02,390 --> 00:22:01,200
is more of a temporary shelter

686
00:22:04,870 --> 00:22:02,400
and you have the climate to be able to

687
00:22:06,870 --> 00:22:04,880
do that and

688
00:22:08,149 --> 00:22:06,880

we need to leverage law enforcement

689

00:22:10,789 --> 00:22:08,159

officers better

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00:22:11,590 --> 00:22:10,799

so that they actually are aware of where

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00:22:14,310 --> 00:22:11,600

the beds are

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00:22:15,510 --> 00:22:14,320

so that even within this straight ruling

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00:22:18,149 --> 00:22:15,520

if they are aware

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00:22:18,710 --> 00:22:18,159

where some shelter beds are then you

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00:22:21,909 --> 00:22:18,720

know

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00:22:22,630 --> 00:22:21,919

within that restrictive legal kind of

697

00:22:24,870 --> 00:22:22,640

ruling

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00:22:26,470 --> 00:22:24,880

you could still have take away that

699

00:22:28,870 --> 00:22:26,480

right to sleep on the street because

700

00:22:29,590 --> 00:22:28,880

you've met that requirement so there is

701
00:22:33,270 --> 00:22:29,600
in

702
00:22:35,430 --> 00:22:33,280
dollars a year

703
00:22:37,590 --> 00:22:35,440
cleaning up the streets if we could

704
00:22:38,470 --> 00:22:37,600
devote that money to actual shelters and

705
00:22:40,549 --> 00:22:38,480
i know there's a

706
00:22:42,310 --> 00:22:40,559
transition issue that needs to be

707
00:22:44,950 --> 00:22:42,320
bridged but you could

708
00:22:46,630 --> 00:22:44,960
create beds with the amount of money

709
00:22:49,590 --> 00:22:46,640
that you're actually funding in

710
00:22:51,029 --> 00:22:49,600
uh the cleanup and then from there

711
00:22:51,830 --> 00:22:51,039
you're gonna be complicit with the

712
00:22:53,669 --> 00:22:51,840
ruling

713
00:22:55,110 --> 00:22:53,679

uh you know and i would actually turn to

714

00:22:56,789 --> 00:22:55,120

you i'm not a lawyer but

715

00:22:58,950 --> 00:22:56,799

i i think there has to be a way that

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00:23:00,710 --> 00:22:58,960

this issue gets challenged

717

00:23:02,549 --> 00:23:00,720

uh maybe ideally there's a ruling in a

718

00:23:04,149 --> 00:23:02,559

different uh circuit

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00:23:06,549 --> 00:23:04,159

that contradicts so it can go up to the

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00:23:08,950 --> 00:23:06,559

supreme court uh but

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00:23:09,750 --> 00:23:08,960

we you know ideally we need this ruling

722

00:23:11,669 --> 00:23:09,760

reversed

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00:23:13,110 --> 00:23:11,679

because it's dropped so much harder it's

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00:23:15,110 --> 00:23:13,120

a horrendous ruling

725

00:23:16,630 --> 00:23:15,120

it's by an appellate court so it's going

726

00:23:17,990 --> 00:23:16,640

to be hard to get it

727

00:23:19,190 --> 00:23:18,000

overturned in the ninth circuit i think

728

00:23:20,549 --> 00:23:19,200

you're right you probably need another

729

00:23:22,710 --> 00:23:20,559

circuit to rule

730

00:23:24,149 --> 00:23:22,720

the other way uh interestingly the city

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00:23:27,029 --> 00:23:24,159

of los angeles actually

732

00:23:28,549 --> 00:23:27,039

joined in the appeal in an attempt to

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00:23:30,630 --> 00:23:28,559

get it to the supreme court

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00:23:32,470 --> 00:23:30,640

uh because as liberals los angeles is

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00:23:36,070 --> 00:23:32,480

even it realized that this is

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00:23:37,190 --> 00:23:36,080

kind of an untenable uh requirement uh

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00:23:38,870 --> 00:23:37,200

part of their issue is just

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00:23:40,470 --> 00:23:38,880

how do you even demonstrate that we've

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00:23:41,590 --> 00:23:40,480

got enough and how you measure that

740

00:23:43,190 --> 00:23:41,600

because the number of homeless is

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00:23:44,950 --> 00:23:43,200

constantly changing and how much housing

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00:23:48,149 --> 00:23:44,960

you've got is constantly changing

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00:23:51,110 --> 00:23:48,159

um but yeah in in the interim

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00:23:52,470 --> 00:23:51,120

i guess we need to put together you know

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00:23:53,830 --> 00:23:52,480

some type of very short-term housing

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00:23:54,870 --> 00:23:53,840

you're saying that san diego was able to

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00:23:57,990 --> 00:23:54,880

do it through

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00:24:00,870 --> 00:23:58,000

through kind of a tent city but

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00:24:01,590 --> 00:24:00,880

if we got there then what are what are

750

00:24:04,149 --> 00:24:01,600

you and your

751
00:24:04,950 --> 00:24:04,159
team suggesting as far as police

752
00:24:06,630 --> 00:24:04,960
interaction

753
00:24:08,070 --> 00:24:06,640
with these people that are sleeping on

754
00:24:10,630 --> 00:24:08,080
the sidewalk so you know

755
00:24:11,990 --> 00:24:10,640
the rule is you know after sundown you

756
00:24:13,350 --> 00:24:12,000
can't be on the sidewalk you can't be

757
00:24:13,990 --> 00:24:13,360
loitering you can't be on the beach you

758
00:24:17,590 --> 00:24:14,000
can't be

759
00:24:19,669 --> 00:24:17,600
etc

760
00:24:20,710 --> 00:24:19,679
so it would require the police to come

761
00:24:24,390 --> 00:24:20,720
in and then

762
00:24:27,269 --> 00:24:24,400
they would do what arrest them

763
00:24:28,789 --> 00:24:27,279

well i think these are the very

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00:24:29,350 --> 00:24:28,799

difficult questions that we face right i

765

00:24:30,950 --> 00:24:29,360

mean

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00:24:33,750 --> 00:24:30,960

are you going to have a scene of cobs

767

00:24:36,549 --> 00:24:33,760

dragging people off of the beach

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00:24:36,789 --> 00:24:36,559

um and are we willing to withstand that

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00:24:40,230 --> 00:24:36,799

i

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00:24:42,630 --> 00:24:40,240

know

771

00:24:43,430 --> 00:24:42,640

for instance and this again takes uh a

772

00:24:46,070 --> 00:24:43,440

legal change

773

00:24:46,870 --> 00:24:46,080

but if prop 47 were repealed and i know

774

00:24:49,909 --> 00:24:46,880

we just

775

00:24:51,669 --> 00:24:49,919

lost uh on on that issue but if we were

776

00:24:54,310 --> 00:24:51,679

somehow to be able to repeal it

777

00:24:55,750 --> 00:24:54,320

and you had somebody that stole five six

778

00:24:58,310 --> 00:24:55,760

seven hundred dollars worth of

779

00:25:00,470 --> 00:24:58,320

of goods charging with a felony but an

780

00:25:01,350 --> 00:25:00,480

idea which which i'm personally in favor

781

00:25:04,390 --> 00:25:01,360

of which i think

782

00:25:06,310 --> 00:25:04,400

could be very impactful and actually

783

00:25:08,070 --> 00:25:06,320

the aba supports it as well which is the

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00:25:09,430 --> 00:25:08,080

idea of homeless courts

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00:25:12,310 --> 00:25:09,440

so that instead of going through the

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00:25:14,310 --> 00:25:12,320

legal system you go to a homeless court

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00:25:15,430 --> 00:25:14,320

which could actually sentence quote

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00:25:17,430 --> 00:25:15,440

unquote uh

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00:25:18,789 --> 00:25:17,440

somebody to treatment so if you have a

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00:25:21,510 --> 00:25:18,799

substance abuse issue

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00:25:23,190 --> 00:25:21,520

um instead of and if you've stolen using

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00:25:25,190 --> 00:25:23,200

that as an opportunity

793

00:25:27,110 --> 00:25:25,200

just like we have a positive incentive

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00:25:29,350 --> 00:25:27,120

with the the day beds

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00:25:30,230 --> 00:25:29,360

use the negative interaction as an

796

00:25:32,710 --> 00:25:30,240

opportunity

797

00:25:34,549 --> 00:25:32,720

to get them into treatment so that you

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00:25:37,350 --> 00:25:34,559

you're sentencing them to treatment

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00:25:38,070 --> 00:25:37,360

if they successfully complete it then

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00:25:41,350 --> 00:25:38,080

you can

801
00:25:42,070 --> 00:25:41,360
um expunge their record and hopefully

802
00:25:44,230 --> 00:25:42,080
that then

803
00:25:45,110 --> 00:25:44,240
in a position where they can re-engage

804
00:25:47,510 --> 00:25:45,120
in society

805
00:25:48,230 --> 00:25:47,520
and get back on on track and get their

806
00:25:50,390 --> 00:25:48,240
lives

807
00:25:52,310 --> 00:25:50,400
moving forward as opposed to being them

808
00:25:54,950 --> 00:25:52,320
stuck in that in that drug addiction

809
00:25:55,510 --> 00:25:54,960
and because you expunge their record uh

810
00:25:57,430 --> 00:25:55,520
it's not

811
00:25:58,549 --> 00:25:57,440
a a black mark that sticks with them

812
00:26:00,789 --> 00:25:58,559
forever uh

813
00:26:02,870 --> 00:26:00,799

so i think being innovative in that way

814

00:26:06,950 --> 00:26:02,880

could help alleviate the problem

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00:26:08,710 --> 00:26:06,960

uh without having that you know

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00:26:10,549 --> 00:26:08,720

you can imagine the the cameras going

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00:26:11,269 --> 00:26:10,559

off of people being dragged off the

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00:26:14,549 --> 00:26:11,279

beats and

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00:26:17,590 --> 00:26:14,559

uh avoiding that type of situation yeah

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00:26:20,230 --> 00:26:17,600

essentially kind of a traffic court for

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00:26:20,630 --> 00:26:20,240

for homeless which you know i do think

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00:26:23,350 --> 00:26:20,640

that's

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00:26:23,990 --> 00:26:23,360

a good idea um i mean i imagine in the

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00:26:26,549 --> 00:26:24,000

past that

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00:26:27,750 --> 00:26:26,559

we've arrested people i i think what

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00:26:28,950 --> 00:26:27,760

they've been doing lately at least

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00:26:31,430 --> 00:26:28,960

before this decision was they would

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00:26:33,029 --> 00:26:31,440

first issue a ticket

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00:26:34,549 --> 00:26:33,039

and but then of course the person never

830

00:26:36,950 --> 00:26:34,559

appears right

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00:26:38,470 --> 00:26:36,960

so then i guess what you would do is

832

00:26:41,110 --> 00:26:38,480

well if they don't appear

833

00:26:42,470 --> 00:26:41,120

and then they find them again now it's

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00:26:43,590 --> 00:26:42,480

time to be arrested you gave them an

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00:26:46,870 --> 00:26:43,600

opportunity to go

836

00:26:48,230 --> 00:26:46,880

voluntarily um i have an anecdotal story

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00:26:49,830 --> 00:26:48,240

of a guy who used to do

838

00:26:51,350 --> 00:26:49,840

a bunch of work for me just kind of a

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00:26:54,230 --> 00:26:51,360

handyman kind of guy

840

00:26:55,029 --> 00:26:54,240

and wound up with a major drug addiction

841

00:26:56,710 --> 00:26:55,039

and

842

00:26:58,870 --> 00:26:56,720

is sleeping out in the streets because

843

00:27:01,350 --> 00:26:58,880

of his drug addiction

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00:27:03,990 --> 00:27:01,360

um and that i can attest to a thousand

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00:27:07,510 --> 00:27:04,000

percent this guy had plenty of work

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00:27:11,029 --> 00:27:07,520

uh as a handyman um but he got hooked on

847

00:27:14,230 --> 00:27:11,039

methamphetamine and

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00:27:14,630 --> 00:27:14,240

the i saw him in his deranged condition

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00:27:17,190 --> 00:27:14,640

it's

850

00:27:18,630 --> 00:27:17,200

not pretty um in his family he's got

851
00:27:21,590 --> 00:27:18,640
four children

852
00:27:22,630 --> 00:27:21,600
and a wife and parents and um they don't

853
00:27:23,990 --> 00:27:22,640
know where he is

854
00:27:25,909 --> 00:27:24,000
he's out on the street and the father

855
00:27:27,750 --> 00:27:25,919
goes out looking for him every day and

856
00:27:29,430 --> 00:27:27,760
sometimes he does find him but he can't

857
00:27:30,950 --> 00:27:29,440
get the police he wants the police to

858
00:27:32,710 --> 00:27:30,960
arrest him

859
00:27:34,070 --> 00:27:32,720
because it's actually worked before when

860
00:27:36,389 --> 00:27:34,080
he was arrested and then

861
00:27:37,830 --> 00:27:36,399
spent 30 days in jail he got clean and

862
00:27:39,029 --> 00:27:37,840
sober

863
00:27:41,269 --> 00:27:39,039

and that was the only way he was going

864

00:27:43,029 --> 00:27:41,279

to clean the sober so the father wants

865

00:27:46,230 --> 00:27:43,039

that to happen but he

866

00:27:47,990 --> 00:27:46,240

he can't get his kid arrested yeah

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00:27:49,990 --> 00:27:48,000

and and that's what we we need to use

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00:27:51,110 --> 00:27:50,000

the legal system and sometimes you need

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00:27:53,190 --> 00:27:51,120

a negative stick

870

00:27:54,149 --> 00:27:53,200

right sometimes you need that negative

871

00:27:56,149 --> 00:27:54,159

interaction

872

00:27:58,070 --> 00:27:56,159

to help people because they're just not

873

00:28:00,470 --> 00:27:58,080

in a position to help themselves

874

00:28:01,750 --> 00:28:00,480

and i think that's a very important part

875

00:28:04,950 --> 00:28:01,760

of the solution

876

00:28:06,389 --> 00:28:04,960

is you call it tough love but you need

877

00:28:09,510 --> 00:28:06,399

to actually

878

00:28:12,870 --> 00:28:09,520

you know use the breaking of the law

879

00:28:14,389 --> 00:28:12,880

and the lawlessness as as a means to uh

880

00:28:17,190 --> 00:28:14,399

to get the people into a system that can

881

00:28:18,870 --> 00:28:17,200

help them yeah and we got to somehow

882

00:28:20,310 --> 00:28:18,880

wrestle these people up to help

883

00:28:21,750 --> 00:28:20,320

themselves again if you make it

884

00:28:24,149 --> 00:28:21,760

comfortable

885

00:28:25,750 --> 00:28:24,159

to sleep in a sleeping bag you know then

886

00:28:27,909 --> 00:28:25,760

your

887

00:28:29,750 --> 00:28:27,919

drug addiction lifestyle or whatever

888

00:28:30,789 --> 00:28:29,760

your lifestyle is just that much easier

889

00:28:34,870 --> 00:28:30,799

to

890

00:28:37,029 --> 00:28:34,880

stirred up a bit

891

00:28:38,470 --> 00:28:37,039

by police interaction or whatever it

892

00:28:40,230 --> 00:28:38,480

just seems to me that they're more

893

00:28:41,750 --> 00:28:40,240

can be more inclined to find a solution

894

00:28:43,190 --> 00:28:41,760

perhaps even on their own

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00:28:44,789 --> 00:28:43,200

that the government doesn't need to

896

00:28:47,909 --> 00:28:44,799

solve it for them but

897

00:28:48,549 --> 00:28:47,919

if you could get them clean or at least

898

00:28:51,590 --> 00:28:48,559

get them

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00:28:53,990 --> 00:28:51,600

realizing that i can't stay here

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00:28:55,590 --> 00:28:54,000

um you know they have family members

901
00:28:57,510 --> 00:28:55,600
somewhere

902
00:28:59,269 --> 00:28:57,520
most likely family members that probably

903
00:29:00,870 --> 00:28:59,279
kind of gave up on them

904
00:29:02,149 --> 00:29:00,880
you know i mean just to go back to this

905
00:29:03,430 --> 00:29:02,159
anecdotal story because i'm sure it's

906
00:29:05,830 --> 00:29:03,440
not anecdotal

907
00:29:06,950 --> 00:29:05,840
um the family gave up on this guy

908
00:29:08,789 --> 00:29:06,960
because

909
00:29:09,990 --> 00:29:08,799
you know he kept going back to the drugs

910
00:29:11,590 --> 00:29:10,000
he kept going back

911
00:29:13,029 --> 00:29:11,600
and he's you know around the house and

912
00:29:14,789 --> 00:29:13,039
he's in front of the children

913
00:29:16,710 --> 00:29:14,799

and the wife doesn't want him exhibiting

914

00:29:19,510 --> 00:29:16,720

these babies and he's you know

915

00:29:21,110 --> 00:29:19,520

uh abusive to her and so on and they

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00:29:23,190 --> 00:29:21,120

just get tired of it

917

00:29:24,870 --> 00:29:23,200

and they're done with it so this is a

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00:29:26,389 --> 00:29:24,880

this is a loving family that this guy

919

00:29:28,710 --> 00:29:26,399

comes from but he

920

00:29:30,310 --> 00:29:28,720

is homeless and out in the streets in

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00:29:31,430 --> 00:29:30,320

the family basically other than the

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00:29:34,870 --> 00:29:31,440

father

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00:29:38,070 --> 00:29:34,880

is just wants to be rid of him right

924

00:29:40,389 --> 00:29:38,080

well and that again that's why you need

925

00:29:42,310 --> 00:29:40,399

the law enforcement to come in but

926
00:29:45,350 --> 00:29:42,320
family in other situations can be

927
00:29:46,630 --> 00:29:45,360
some a very important lifeline uh and

928
00:29:48,710 --> 00:29:46,640
that's one thing we actually talk about

929
00:29:51,750 --> 00:29:48,720
the book one thing we recommend which is

930
00:29:53,269 --> 00:29:51,760
reuniting homeless with the family take

931
00:29:56,149 --> 00:29:53,279
the father in your instance

932
00:29:57,590 --> 00:29:56,159
if you could actually connect this

933
00:29:59,669 --> 00:29:57,600
person with his father

934
00:30:02,230 --> 00:29:59,679
maybe he could have a better shot at

935
00:30:04,070 --> 00:30:02,240
helping him getting him enrolled into a

936
00:30:05,350 --> 00:30:04,080
a rehab center something along those

937
00:30:08,630 --> 00:30:05,360
lines so

938
00:30:10,310 --> 00:30:08,640

using the family as a bridge and as a

939

00:30:11,990 --> 00:30:10,320

means to help the people

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00:30:13,669 --> 00:30:12,000

is the strategy we need to be pursuing

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00:30:14,389 --> 00:30:13,679

because everybody's different and

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00:30:16,230 --> 00:30:14,399

everybody's

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00:30:18,230 --> 00:30:16,240

situation is different and that's the

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00:30:20,470 --> 00:30:18,240

way the flexibility has to come in line

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00:30:21,990 --> 00:30:20,480

we have to think broadly and in those

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00:30:24,389 --> 00:30:22,000

instances with their family

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00:30:25,430 --> 00:30:24,399

can help it exist and it's in a position

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00:30:27,190 --> 00:30:25,440

to help

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00:30:28,549 --> 00:30:27,200

we need to take advantage of that won't

950

00:30:31,110 --> 00:30:28,559

always be the case may not

951
00:30:31,830 --> 00:30:31,120
be the case most of the time but where

952
00:30:33,909 --> 00:30:31,840
it is

953
00:30:35,269 --> 00:30:33,919
it could be a very effective means to

954
00:30:38,389 --> 00:30:35,279
kind of help the people

955
00:30:39,909 --> 00:30:38,399
kind of get get the help they need yeah

956
00:30:41,750 --> 00:30:39,919
i mean there's stories out of my

957
00:30:43,110 --> 00:30:41,760
community where they've reunited

958
00:30:44,950 --> 00:30:43,120
daughter with mother

959
00:30:46,630 --> 00:30:44,960
where mother didn't know had didn't know

960
00:30:48,870 --> 00:30:46,640
where her daughter was for five years

961
00:30:51,029 --> 00:30:48,880
and she wanted to find her couldn't find

962
00:30:53,269 --> 00:30:51,039
her had no idea where she was

963
00:30:54,149 --> 00:30:53,279

reunited them now she's living with her

964

00:30:56,950 --> 00:30:54,159

mother

965

00:30:57,750 --> 00:30:56,960

again so but you know it takes those

966

00:31:01,110 --> 00:30:57,760

one-on-one

967

00:31:03,110 --> 00:31:01,120

interactions which

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00:31:04,230 --> 00:31:03,120

takes a lot of resources but when you

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00:31:07,509 --> 00:31:04,240

consider the money

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00:31:10,950 --> 00:31:07,519

that they blow on building

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00:31:13,190 --> 00:31:10,960

housing and so on i mean

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00:31:14,789 --> 00:31:13,200

if it will focus in the right direction

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00:31:15,990 --> 00:31:14,799

and one thing we keep focusing on you

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00:31:17,909 --> 00:31:16,000

take all the money we're spending

975

00:31:20,310 --> 00:31:17,919

cleaning up after the problem

976
00:31:21,590 --> 00:31:20,320
and that's just managing the problem um

977
00:31:22,470 --> 00:31:21,600
and you know we haven't talked about the

978
00:31:25,190 --> 00:31:22,480
diseases

979
00:31:26,310 --> 00:31:25,200
on the street and all of those issues

980
00:31:28,230 --> 00:31:26,320
drug needles

981
00:31:30,149 --> 00:31:28,240
i have a friend when he was living in

982
00:31:31,190 --> 00:31:30,159
san francisco he wouldn't sit on the

983
00:31:33,269 --> 00:31:31,200
part in the morning

984
00:31:34,549 --> 00:31:33,279
because he read one too many stories of

985
00:31:37,750 --> 00:31:34,559
somebody sitting

986
00:31:38,630 --> 00:31:37,760
on a dirty needle and he just you know

987
00:31:41,110 --> 00:31:38,640
you could say he was a little too

988
00:31:42,310 --> 00:31:41,120

paranoid but the case is he wouldn't sit

989

00:31:44,470 --> 00:31:42,320

down

990

00:31:46,310 --> 00:31:44,480

that's not a way for people to live and

991

00:31:47,110 --> 00:31:46,320

again there's all sorts of costs

992

00:31:49,110 --> 00:31:47,120

involved

993

00:31:50,470 --> 00:31:49,120

and we need to stop spending money

994

00:31:53,269 --> 00:31:50,480

cleaning up the problem

995

00:31:54,789 --> 00:31:53,279

and actually devote that towards pro if

996

00:31:55,909 --> 00:31:54,799

we can empower the law enforcement so

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00:31:59,750 --> 00:31:55,919

they could actually

998

00:32:00,950 --> 00:31:59,760

enforce the law and get the law

999

00:32:03,750 --> 00:32:00,960

enforcement

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00:32:05,909 --> 00:32:03,760

uh connected to agencies that could then

1001
00:32:07,350 --> 00:32:05,919
help that person maybe it is reconnect

1002
00:32:09,029 --> 00:32:07,360
with their family whatever the case may

1003
00:32:10,549 --> 00:32:09,039
be you know law enforcement is

1004
00:32:12,389 --> 00:32:10,559
constantly interacting

1005
00:32:14,789 --> 00:32:12,399
with the community they're a great

1006
00:32:15,190 --> 00:32:14,799
resource that we're just not using to

1007
00:32:18,789 --> 00:32:15,200
its

1008
00:32:21,990 --> 00:32:18,799
important area that we need to

1009
00:32:23,830 --> 00:32:22,000
to leverage and just change the attitude

1010
00:32:25,590 --> 00:32:23,840
that it's compassionate

1011
00:32:27,110 --> 00:32:25,600
to allow people to sleep on the sidewalk

1012
00:32:29,350 --> 00:32:27,120
what is compassionate

1013
00:32:31,190 --> 00:32:29,360

about that to to have people sleeping

1014

00:32:33,190 --> 00:32:31,200

like dogs out on a

1015

00:32:35,590 --> 00:32:33,200

sidewalk and that that's supposed to be

1016

00:32:37,909 --> 00:32:35,600

acceptable that that we're supposed to

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00:32:39,990 --> 00:32:37,919

allow that i mean that's what that court

1018

00:32:41,909 --> 00:32:40,000

is basically saying as opposed to

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00:32:43,590 --> 00:32:41,919

recognizing wait a minute this is not

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00:32:45,029 --> 00:32:43,600

humane to have people living on

1021

00:32:47,110 --> 00:32:45,039

sidewalks it's not humane to them and

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00:32:48,230 --> 00:32:47,120

it's not humane to the residents in the

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00:32:51,269 --> 00:32:48,240

community

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00:32:53,350 --> 00:32:51,279

to have this you know have to be

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00:32:54,389 --> 00:32:53,360

walking by people with mental illnesses

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00:32:57,669 --> 00:32:54,399

and addictions

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00:32:58,870 --> 00:32:57,679

and uh often resorting to crime and

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00:33:00,870 --> 00:32:58,880

and this is what you have to bring your

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00:33:03,909 --> 00:33:00,880

children around i mean

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00:33:05,830 --> 00:33:03,919

as i said you know i don't encourage

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00:33:06,389 --> 00:33:05,840

anyone to visit venice right now because

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00:33:11,110 --> 00:33:06,399

it is

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00:33:13,350 --> 00:33:11,120

it's turned a beautiful community into

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00:33:16,230 --> 00:33:13,360

something that the residents are

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00:33:17,590 --> 00:33:16,240

are deserting they're leaving because

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00:33:18,870 --> 00:33:17,600

it's not livable

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00:33:21,669 --> 00:33:18,880

and that was one of the things all four

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00:33:23,430 --> 00:33:21,679

of us could 100 agreed upon is that

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00:33:25,190 --> 00:33:23,440

what we're doing now is not the humane

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00:33:27,750 --> 00:33:25,200

solution and

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00:33:29,430 --> 00:33:27,760

if we talk as if allowing someone to

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00:33:31,110 --> 00:33:29,440

live on the streets be it

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00:33:33,750 --> 00:33:31,120

is a humane way to deal with this

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00:33:35,590 --> 00:33:33,760

problem and it absolutely is not

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00:33:37,430 --> 00:33:35,600

uh and the economic damages are

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00:33:39,110 --> 00:33:37,440

beginning to mount too

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00:33:41,029 --> 00:33:39,120

and that's that that is real that's

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00:33:42,789 --> 00:33:41,039

people businesses there and

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00:33:44,470 --> 00:33:42,799

it could be a family business in venice

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00:33:47,750 --> 00:33:44,480

its entire livelihood

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00:33:48,470 --> 00:33:47,760
is uh being harmed because people aren't

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00:33:49,830 --> 00:33:48,480
going there

1053
00:33:51,509 --> 00:33:49,840
and now you have a family business

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00:33:54,630 --> 00:33:51,519
people were living very well

1055
00:33:57,350 --> 00:33:54,640
uh and now they're they're being

1056
00:33:58,149 --> 00:33:57,360
significantly live having seen the pain

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00:33:59,590 --> 00:33:58,159
uh

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00:34:02,070 --> 00:33:59,600
that's that's not right either that's

1059
00:34:03,830 --> 00:34:02,080
not humane either

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00:34:05,190 --> 00:34:03,840
and you have major corporations now that

1061
00:34:07,909 --> 00:34:05,200
are in

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00:34:09,430 --> 00:34:07,919
in venice google being one i forget some

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00:34:11,109 --> 00:34:09,440

of the other but major major names i

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00:34:13,589 --> 00:34:11,119

think snapchat

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00:34:14,149 --> 00:34:13,599

is there i don't know what those guys

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00:34:17,030 --> 00:34:14,159

are doing

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00:34:18,550 --> 00:34:17,040

about it you would think that they would

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00:34:20,230 --> 00:34:18,560

be trying to implement or

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00:34:21,909 --> 00:34:20,240

help with some solutions but i haven't

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00:34:25,990 --> 00:34:21,919

heard of any

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00:34:26,389 --> 00:34:26,000

got involved that would be great if they

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00:34:30,470 --> 00:34:26,399

you know

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00:34:32,310 --> 00:34:30,480

we're saying which is that

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00:34:34,950 --> 00:34:32,320

the humane way of dealing with this

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00:34:36,069 --> 00:34:34,960

problem is to get people housed to get

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00:34:38,869 --> 00:34:36,079

them off the streets

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00:34:40,149 --> 00:34:38,879

and to sustainably address it uh and and

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00:34:40,550 --> 00:34:40,159

also to realize and this is something

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00:34:45,510 --> 00:34:40,560

that

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00:34:47,589 --> 00:34:45,520

all we've done is taken

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00:34:49,430 --> 00:34:47,599

those who are homeless from mental

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00:34:50,869 --> 00:34:49,440

illness or for substance abuse

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00:34:52,790 --> 00:34:50,879

we've just taken them out of one

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00:34:54,710 --> 00:34:52,800

institution and put them into another

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00:34:56,230 --> 00:34:54,720

which is out of the streets of the jail

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00:34:58,150 --> 00:34:56,240

and that's that's not a way to help

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00:34:59,270 --> 00:34:58,160

people with mental illness or substance

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00:35:00,710 --> 00:34:59,280

abuse issues

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00:35:02,230 --> 00:35:00,720

so what was the change you always kind

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00:35:03,829 --> 00:35:02,240

of hear about from the 80s that

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00:35:06,230 --> 00:35:03,839

supposedly reagan

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00:35:07,430 --> 00:35:06,240

changed as far as you know psychiatric

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00:35:09,829 --> 00:35:07,440

awards and

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00:35:11,270 --> 00:35:09,839

taking people there against their will

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00:35:12,069 --> 00:35:11,280

what was the change that was made in the

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00:35:13,990 --> 00:35:12,079

80s and

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00:35:16,230 --> 00:35:14,000

and in what ways do you think it's maybe

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00:35:17,829 --> 00:35:16,240

gone too far in the other direction

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00:35:19,349 --> 00:35:17,839

well i think it's gone too far in the

1100

00:35:20,550 --> 00:35:19,359

other direction and chris is the real

1101

00:35:22,950 --> 00:35:20,560

expert on this

1102

00:35:24,069 --> 00:35:22,960

is that we basically shut them down i

1103

00:35:25,430 --> 00:35:24,079

mean if you have that

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00:35:27,750 --> 00:35:25,440

division of one who flew over the

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00:35:31,190 --> 00:35:27,760

cuckoo's nest right that type of

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00:35:34,150 --> 00:35:31,200

institutional kind of abuse and so that

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00:35:36,310 --> 00:35:34,160

concept you know the name asylum is so

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00:35:39,430 --> 00:35:36,320

there's all that negative connotation of

1109

00:35:40,390 --> 00:35:39,440

of uh imprisoning people in a awful

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00:35:42,950 --> 00:35:40,400

situation

1111

00:35:44,069 --> 00:35:42,960

and what that's in effect done is i

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00:35:48,230 --> 00:35:44,079

think we're down to about

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00:35:50,470 --> 00:35:48,240

um you know a fraction of the beds

1114

00:35:51,510 --> 00:35:50,480

in uh health mental health institutions

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00:35:53,430 --> 00:35:51,520

today

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00:35:55,109 --> 00:35:53,440

than compared to where we had in the 80s

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00:35:57,750 --> 00:35:55,119

so we've had um

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00:35:59,510 --> 00:35:57,760

uh basically those people have been let

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00:36:01,829 --> 00:35:59,520

out they haven't been treated

1120

00:36:03,030 --> 00:36:01,839

um you know or they're not on a

1121

00:36:05,430 --> 00:36:03,040

sustainable path

1122

00:36:07,510 --> 00:36:05,440

but they're just basically led out uh

1123

00:36:09,270 --> 00:36:07,520

and as opposed to actually being and

1124

00:36:12,069 --> 00:36:09,280

they shouldn't be a surprise

1125

00:36:13,670 --> 00:36:12,079

they're not equipped to take care of

1126

00:36:16,470 --> 00:36:13,680

themselves they're not equipped to

1127

00:36:18,230 --> 00:36:16,480

kind of become part of society and and

1128

00:36:20,550 --> 00:36:18,240

build a home for themselves

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00:36:22,790 --> 00:36:20,560

and so they end up on the streets uh

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00:36:25,109 --> 00:36:22,800

they end up you know breaking the law

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00:36:26,069 --> 00:36:25,119

going to jail interacting with cops

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00:36:29,109 --> 00:36:26,079

often than

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00:36:31,750 --> 00:36:29,119

getting involved in drugs and uh so

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00:36:33,750 --> 00:36:31,760

they get in this vicious cycle and so

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00:36:35,030 --> 00:36:33,760

they are being institutionalized

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00:36:37,109 --> 00:36:35,040

that's the way chris puts it i think

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00:36:38,710 --> 00:36:37,119

it's a it's a great image of

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00:36:40,230 --> 00:36:38,720

they're just in jails not getting the

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00:36:42,230 --> 00:36:40,240

help they need or they're living on the

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00:36:45,109 --> 00:36:42,240

streets not getting the help they need

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00:36:47,750 --> 00:36:45,119

um we're still paying the cost uh and

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00:36:49,430 --> 00:36:47,760

this is not a humane way of dealing with

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00:36:51,510 --> 00:36:49,440

people who you know people do have

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00:36:53,510 --> 00:36:51,520

substance abuse problems people do have

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00:36:55,510 --> 00:36:53,520

mental illness we need to face it and

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00:36:57,230 --> 00:36:55,520

ask ourselves some hard questions about

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00:36:58,550 --> 00:36:57,240

how you actually help them

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00:37:02,310 --> 00:37:00,480

and that's probably a bigger problem

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00:37:05,349 --> 00:37:02,320

than ever mental illness

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00:37:08,470 --> 00:37:05,359
and addiction certainly seems to be at

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00:37:11,109 --> 00:37:08,480
highs in america right now

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00:37:12,470 --> 00:37:11,119
and i usually point to i think the

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00:37:14,630 --> 00:37:12,480
general breakdown

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00:37:16,390 --> 00:37:14,640
of the nuclear family in america the

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00:37:19,829 --> 00:37:16,400
nuclear family just is not

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00:37:21,190 --> 00:37:19,839
today what it once was uh the number of

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00:37:22,390 --> 00:37:21,200
kids being raised in single-parent

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00:37:29,589 --> 00:37:22,400
households

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00:37:31,349 --> 00:37:29,599
and you know if a child doesn't have a

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00:37:32,310 --> 00:37:31,359
nice secure safe home with two loving

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00:37:36,230 --> 00:37:32,320
parents

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00:37:39,829 --> 00:37:36,240

the likelihood for later mental illness

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00:37:40,790 --> 00:37:39,839

and addiction goes way up and i think

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00:37:43,270 --> 00:37:40,800

that's what we're

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00:37:44,550 --> 00:37:43,280

seeing with this you know the painkiller

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00:37:45,990 --> 00:37:44,560

addiction

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00:37:48,150 --> 00:37:46,000

the mental illness that we see that's

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00:37:49,910 --> 00:37:48,160

causing homelessness and also you know i

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00:37:51,670 --> 00:37:49,920

i think a cause of the rise in all these

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00:37:54,390 --> 00:37:51,680

mass shootings and so on

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00:37:55,430 --> 00:37:54,400

um so that's that's a real root problem

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00:37:57,030 --> 00:37:55,440

i think

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00:37:58,790 --> 00:37:57,040

right and and all of this is

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00:38:00,550 --> 00:37:58,800

interrelated right i mean

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00:38:02,390 --> 00:38:00,560

it's it's hard to know where did one of

1177

00:38:02,870 --> 00:38:02,400

those problems start where does one of

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00:38:05,109 --> 00:38:02,880

them stop

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00:38:06,470 --> 00:38:05,119

they they just they bleed into one

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00:38:08,230 --> 00:38:06,480

another so yeah and

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00:38:09,430 --> 00:38:08,240

and we need to address all of those in

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00:38:10,630 --> 00:38:09,440

the same way that we need to make

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00:38:13,910 --> 00:38:10,640

housing affordable

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00:38:14,550 --> 00:38:13,920

you know i mean it's it's almost a

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00:38:16,150 --> 00:38:14,560

root

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00:38:18,470 --> 00:38:16,160

problem and if you don't get to that

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00:38:19,510 --> 00:38:18,480

route you're not going to sustainably

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00:38:21,750 --> 00:38:19,520

address it

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00:38:22,950 --> 00:38:21,760

so let's talk before we wrap up about

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00:38:24,870 --> 00:38:22,960

affordable housing because i know that's

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00:38:28,790 --> 00:38:24,880

kind of your area of expertise

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00:38:31,030 --> 00:38:28,800

um one thought i have about that

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00:38:33,030 --> 00:38:31,040

is i i kind of put that lower on the

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00:38:35,190 --> 00:38:33,040

list when i think of things as far as

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00:38:37,910 --> 00:38:35,200

causing homelessness just because

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00:38:38,550 --> 00:38:37,920

yes housing is expensive in certain

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00:38:40,870 --> 00:38:38,560

areas

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00:38:42,150 --> 00:38:40,880

in los angeles by the beaches obviously

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00:38:45,510 --> 00:38:42,160

but you go just a bit

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00:38:47,910 --> 00:38:45,520

east say to riverside and

1201
00:38:48,950 --> 00:38:47,920
you're now in a very affordable housing

1202
00:38:51,670 --> 00:38:48,960
area um

1203
00:38:53,030 --> 00:38:51,680
you know comparable to most parts of the

1204
00:38:56,069 --> 00:38:53,040
us so

1205
00:38:59,349 --> 00:38:56,079
my point being that people who uh are

1206
00:39:02,310 --> 00:38:59,359
of right and sound mind they recognize

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00:39:03,829 --> 00:39:02,320
that gee you know if los angeles has

1208
00:39:05,670 --> 00:39:03,839
become too expensive for me

1209
00:39:07,349 --> 00:39:05,680
then i need to move somewhere where i

1210
00:39:09,270 --> 00:39:07,359
can afford and they move

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00:39:11,750 --> 00:39:09,280
east now maybe that means a longer

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00:39:14,230 --> 00:39:11,760
commute or maybe it means they find

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00:39:16,790 --> 00:39:14,240

a job closer to where they move to but

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00:39:19,829 --> 00:39:16,800

they make the rational decision

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00:39:22,069 --> 00:39:19,839

to live in a less expensive area

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00:39:23,910 --> 00:39:22,079

these people that are homeless most of

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00:39:26,950 --> 00:39:23,920

them are not making rational

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00:39:28,790 --> 00:39:26,960

decisions right well and i think

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00:39:30,390 --> 00:39:28,800

i i need to say this i think chris would

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00:39:31,270 --> 00:39:30,400

agree with you and he would say

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00:39:33,030 --> 00:39:31,280

absolutely

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00:39:34,390 --> 00:39:33,040

you know i my perspective when you're

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00:39:37,030 --> 00:39:34,400

saying it's comparable

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00:39:37,430 --> 00:39:37,040

not really uh you know even riverside

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00:39:40,069 --> 00:39:37,440

the

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00:39:42,630 --> 00:39:40,079

housing affordability is not nearly what

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00:39:44,470 --> 00:39:42,640

it is in many other areas

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00:39:46,230 --> 00:39:44,480

um and but you can also get a smaller

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00:39:47,430 --> 00:39:46,240

place you know so

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00:39:49,750 --> 00:39:47,440

you know there's a lot there there are

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00:39:53,030 --> 00:39:49,760

options for for less expensive housing

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00:39:54,790 --> 00:39:53,040

if you're using your head absolutely but

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00:39:56,630 --> 00:39:54,800

you're also more it's things are you're

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00:39:58,950 --> 00:39:56,640

more vulnerable and i think that's the

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00:40:00,710 --> 00:39:58,960

the relevant point is that if things go

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00:40:03,829 --> 00:40:00,720

well you'll be just fine

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00:40:04,309 --> 00:40:03,839

um if you lose your job right or if you

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00:40:06,710 --> 00:40:04,319

have an

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00:40:07,510 --> 00:40:06,720

adverse life event a health issue a

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00:40:10,710 --> 00:40:07,520

divorce

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00:40:11,430 --> 00:40:10,720

whatever the case may be you could start

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00:40:14,630 --> 00:40:11,440

into

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00:40:16,790 --> 00:40:14,640

uh a spiral a dead spiral um

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00:40:19,190 --> 00:40:16,800

and you just you're more vulnerable to

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00:40:22,309 --> 00:40:19,200

that when the necessities

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00:40:23,829 --> 00:40:22,319

cost that much more no i agree i mean

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00:40:26,390 --> 00:40:23,839

it puts you yeah it puts you into that

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00:40:28,630 --> 00:40:26,400

potential more likely but

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00:40:29,510 --> 00:40:28,640

but but also again as i distinguish

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00:40:31,109 --> 00:40:29,520

people of

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00:40:32,790 --> 00:40:31,119
sound mind even if you're put in a

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00:40:34,069 --> 00:40:32,800
situation where you you couldn't even

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00:40:36,950 --> 00:40:34,079
afford the

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00:40:39,589 --> 00:40:36,960
small apartment in riverside you would

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00:40:42,710 --> 00:40:39,599
be reaching out to friends and family

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00:40:45,030 --> 00:40:42,720
and shacking up with friends or family

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00:40:46,309 --> 00:40:45,040
um if you sound mine i mean there's very

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00:40:48,550 --> 00:40:46,319
few people that don't have

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00:40:52,150 --> 00:40:48,560
any friends or any family that would

1260
00:40:55,670 --> 00:40:54,950
you know i i think it's hard to be able

1261
00:40:59,589 --> 00:40:55,680
to say

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00:41:01,510 --> 00:40:59,599
you know you're saying across everyone

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00:41:03,270 --> 00:41:01,520

even if that's 90 people that's in that

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00:41:05,510 --> 00:41:03,280

situation you still have

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00:41:07,030 --> 00:41:05,520

a small minority that may not have

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00:41:09,430 --> 00:41:07,040

family to reach out to and

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00:41:11,030 --> 00:41:09,440

i would say if you actually look at the

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00:41:14,069 --> 00:41:11,040

surveys in terms of why

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00:41:16,230 --> 00:41:14,079

somebody is homeless economic reasons

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00:41:18,309 --> 00:41:16,240

are one of the primary drivers so you

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00:41:20,950 --> 00:41:18,319

know as a share of the population right

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00:41:24,550 --> 00:41:20,960

161 000 compared to 31 million

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00:41:26,870 --> 00:41:24,560

you're talking about thank god a a small

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00:41:27,829 --> 00:41:26,880

percentage so even if you're talking

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00:41:29,670 --> 00:41:27,839

about

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00:41:31,030 --> 00:41:29,680

you know 90 of people that would get

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00:41:32,069 --> 00:41:31,040

into trouble they're going to have

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00:41:35,910 --> 00:41:32,079

family 95

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00:41:39,750 --> 00:41:35,920

99 you know you still have a vulnerable

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00:41:42,550 --> 00:41:39,760

population that was put in that position

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00:41:43,510 --> 00:41:42,560

because housing is unnecessarily

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00:41:45,430 --> 00:41:43,520

expensive

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00:41:46,790 --> 00:41:45,440

and and there are when you look at

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00:41:49,589 --> 00:41:46,800

housing shortages

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00:41:50,950 --> 00:41:49,599

uh there's a huge shortage of housing a

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00:41:54,309 --> 00:41:50,960

huge backlog

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00:41:55,030 --> 00:41:54,319

uh and so those costs those excessive

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00:41:57,349 --> 00:41:55,040

costs

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00:41:58,069 --> 00:41:57,359

that backlog of thousands of shortages

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00:42:01,109 --> 00:41:58,079

uh

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00:42:02,710 --> 00:42:01,119

they do create financial stresses and

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00:42:04,630 --> 00:42:02,720

and i think when you look at

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00:42:06,390 --> 00:42:04,640

kind of the population that's homeless

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00:42:07,030 --> 00:42:06,400

there are people out there that have in

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00:42:09,190 --> 00:42:07,040

effect

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00:42:10,790 --> 00:42:09,200

been pushed over that edge you know i

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00:42:11,589 --> 00:42:10,800

think i've come to the point in my

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00:42:14,630 --> 00:42:11,599

research

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00:42:17,990 --> 00:42:14,640

where i've said whether it's 10

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00:42:19,589 --> 00:42:18,000

50 or 90 is not as important as

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00:42:21,670 --> 00:42:19,599
those people need to be helped in a

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00:42:22,950 --> 00:42:21,680
different manner than those

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00:42:24,390 --> 00:42:22,960
who are on the street because of

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00:42:25,349 --> 00:42:24,400
addiction and those who are on the

1305
00:42:27,589 --> 00:42:25,359
street because

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00:42:28,390 --> 00:42:27,599
of mental illness and we need to target

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00:42:31,109 --> 00:42:28,400
the problem

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00:42:31,829 --> 00:42:31,119
and the programs to address the causes

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00:42:34,150 --> 00:42:31,839
of that

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00:42:34,950 --> 00:42:34,160
individual's homelessness and that and

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00:42:37,270 --> 00:42:34,960
that's why

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00:42:38,150 --> 00:42:37,280
the nonprofits we think are so important

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00:42:40,069 --> 00:42:38,160

they do that

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00:42:41,990 --> 00:42:40,079

and though so if there's a small number

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00:42:42,630 --> 00:42:42,000

that's from the economic if you're right

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00:42:44,470 --> 00:42:42,640

right and there's

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00:42:46,150 --> 00:42:44,480

very few then we won't need that many of

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00:42:47,829 --> 00:42:46,160

those programs

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00:42:49,670 --> 00:42:47,839

and but those who are there have the

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00:42:50,870 --> 00:42:49,680

support to get them out and then put

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00:42:52,870 --> 00:42:50,880

more resources

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00:42:54,550 --> 00:42:52,880

um towards those who are mental uh

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00:42:56,550 --> 00:42:54,560

illness yeah so

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00:42:58,870 --> 00:42:56,560

and what is your proposed solution for

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more affordable housing

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00:43:04,150 --> 00:43:01,920

well zoning regulation reform right we

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00:43:06,870 --> 00:43:04,160

need more duplexes and triplexes

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00:43:08,710 --> 00:43:06,880

uh on lots you know so we can expand the

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00:43:10,470 --> 00:43:08,720

number get rid of rent control

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00:43:11,990 --> 00:43:10,480

rent controllers i think i think it was

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thomas sol who said it was the greatest

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00:43:15,349 --> 00:43:14,560

way to destroy a city other than bombing

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00:43:17,670 --> 00:43:15,359

it was

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00:43:18,550 --> 00:43:17,680

was through rent control uh so we need

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to get rid of that

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sql reform so that we could reduce the

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time to build

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00:43:26,390 --> 00:43:24,800

i mean all of these uh proposals that

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would reduce the cost to build

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00:43:30,550 --> 00:43:28,880

the environmental mandates and you know

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00:43:33,190 --> 00:43:30,560

having to put a solar panel

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00:43:33,670 --> 00:43:33,200

on a new house that has a thousand

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00:43:35,589 --> 00:43:33,680

dollars

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00:43:38,069 --> 00:43:35,599

you know those types of things build up

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so you could lower the cost to build

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00:43:41,589 --> 00:43:40,480

and expand the supply and you could do

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00:43:43,109 --> 00:43:41,599

it faster

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and that so now we're just often just

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simple econ 101

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00:43:48,550 --> 00:43:47,040

right if the demand is exceeding the

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00:43:51,030 --> 00:43:48,560
supply because of

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00:43:52,470 --> 00:43:51,040
regulations remove those regulations

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00:43:55,190 --> 00:43:52,480
expand that supply

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00:43:56,870 --> 00:43:55,200
cost will come down yeah but when

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00:43:59,270 --> 00:43:56,880
climate change

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00:44:00,470 --> 00:43:59,280
is determined to be the number one as a

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00:44:03,190 --> 00:44:00,480
existential threat

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00:44:03,589 --> 00:44:03,200
and more important than homelessness

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00:44:07,510 --> 00:44:03,599
right

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00:44:10,630 --> 00:44:07,520
climate change is ahead of homelessness

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00:44:12,790 --> 00:44:10,640
as far as importance to people running

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00:44:14,950 --> 00:44:12,800
california

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00:44:15,990 --> 00:44:14,960

so forget the idea of reducing

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00:44:19,109 --> 00:44:16,000

regulations on

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00:44:21,109 --> 00:44:19,119

on home building and

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00:44:22,550 --> 00:44:21,119

i guess that is the battle that we have

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00:44:25,109 --> 00:44:22,560

but uh

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00:44:25,750 --> 00:44:25,119

and that's the problem you know i i i

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00:44:28,309 --> 00:44:25,760

believe club

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climate change is is real it's happening

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00:44:30,390 --> 00:44:28,880

but

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00:44:32,309 --> 00:44:30,400

it's you know you've got to balance it

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00:44:33,030 --> 00:44:32,319

against all the other things that are

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00:44:34,790 --> 00:44:33,040

out there

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00:44:37,030 --> 00:44:34,800

and i would say to a lot of homeless

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00:44:38,870 --> 00:44:37,040

people you know i think

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00:44:40,790 --> 00:44:38,880

there are other concerns that are more

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important and we're making it more

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00:44:43,750 --> 00:44:41,359

difficult

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00:44:44,390 --> 00:44:43,760

for them and you're right it is a policy

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00:44:45,910 --> 00:44:44,400

trade-off

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00:44:47,430 --> 00:44:45,920

and people are people what people are

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00:44:49,910 --> 00:44:47,440

basically saying is

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00:44:50,790 --> 00:44:49,920

that this regulation is worth your

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00:44:52,630 --> 00:44:50,800

homelessness

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00:44:54,790 --> 00:44:52,640

and that's a trade-off they're willing

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00:44:57,430 --> 00:44:54,800

to make which to me i just

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00:44:59,030 --> 00:44:57,440

i i find that difficult to swallow

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00:45:01,589 --> 00:44:59,040

california thinks that we're gonna

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00:45:02,069 --> 00:45:01,599

independently solve climate change in

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00:45:05,750 --> 00:45:02,079

the world

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00:45:08,870 --> 00:45:05,760

so here's the globe and here's

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00:45:10,470 --> 00:45:08,880

california and somehow by us reducing

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00:45:13,990 --> 00:45:10,480

our admissions by 10

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00:45:14,950 --> 00:45:14,000

or whatever we're gonna end climate

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00:45:17,190 --> 00:45:14,960

change

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00:45:18,630 --> 00:45:17,200

mind you by the way california's

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00:45:20,470 --> 00:45:18,640

emissions reductions

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00:45:21,829 --> 00:45:20,480

have been less than the reductions

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00:45:24,390 --> 00:45:21,839

you've seen nationally

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00:45:25,430 --> 00:45:24,400

i don't think people recognize that a

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00:45:27,750 --> 00:45:25,440

lot of that is because

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00:45:29,270 --> 00:45:27,760

we keep ramping up solar power we keep

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00:45:30,829 --> 00:45:29,280

ramping up wind power

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00:45:33,990 --> 00:45:30,839

but we'll keep shutting down nuclear

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00:45:35,750 --> 00:45:34,000

power and nuclear zero emissions so

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00:45:37,829 --> 00:45:35,760

we're trading one low emission source

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00:45:38,950 --> 00:45:37,839

for another making the grid less

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00:45:41,109 --> 00:45:38,960

reliable

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00:45:43,109 --> 00:45:41,119

but we're not work the emissions have

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00:45:45,589 --> 00:45:43,119

fallen less in california

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than they have nationally when you look

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00:45:49,990 --> 00:45:46,400

at the peak

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00:45:52,230 --> 00:45:50,000

from 2007. wow and not to mention

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00:45:53,910 --> 00:45:52,240

that i saw a study that said something

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00:45:56,150 --> 00:45:53,920

like 15 to 20

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00:45:57,190 --> 00:45:56,160

of california's pollution comes from

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00:46:01,829 --> 00:45:57,200

china

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00:46:04,950 --> 00:46:01,839

probably the biggest polluter in the

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00:46:07,270 --> 00:46:04,960

world right yeah

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00:46:09,030 --> 00:46:07,280

and a good percentage of california's

1422

00:46:12,069 --> 00:46:09,040

pollution we get from china

1423

00:46:12,550 --> 00:46:12,079

so and yet we just independently enact

1424

00:46:14,069 --> 00:46:12,560

these

1425

00:46:16,550 --> 00:46:14,079

shoot yourselves in the foot

1426
00:46:21,670 --> 00:46:16,560
environmental policies without requiring

1427
00:46:25,750 --> 00:46:24,150
no that that's right and you you have

1428
00:46:27,109 --> 00:46:25,760
india that's still building lots of coal

1429
00:46:29,510 --> 00:46:27,119
mines you have china

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00:46:30,710 --> 00:46:29,520
still building lots of i'm sorry coal

1431
00:46:33,750 --> 00:46:30,720
powered plants

1432
00:46:36,550 --> 00:46:33,760
china building coal power plants so

1433
00:46:37,349 --> 00:46:36,560
it is a very complex issue the bottom

1434
00:46:40,309 --> 00:46:37,359
line

1435
00:46:41,910 --> 00:46:40,319
is that the technology is not there yet

1436
00:46:42,950 --> 00:46:41,920
and maybe if we can solve the battery

1437
00:46:45,510 --> 00:46:42,960
storage issue

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00:46:46,710 --> 00:46:45,520

and we can solve this shortage of

1439

00:46:47,510 --> 00:46:46,720

minerals that's something people don't

1440

00:46:49,430 --> 00:46:47,520

talk about

1441

00:46:50,870 --> 00:46:49,440

but right now the available supply of

1442

00:46:53,990 --> 00:46:50,880

the rare earth element

1443

00:46:55,510 --> 00:46:54,000

isn't anywhere close to i just saw the

1444

00:46:58,470 --> 00:46:55,520

statistic today

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00:46:59,750 --> 00:46:58,480

we need in order to just electrify the

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00:47:01,589 --> 00:46:59,760

federal government's

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00:47:03,589 --> 00:47:01,599

fleet of cars which is something biden

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00:47:05,829 --> 00:47:03,599

wants to do the u.s needs to

1449

00:47:06,630 --> 00:47:05,839

increase its output of rare earth

1450

00:47:09,750 --> 00:47:06,640

elements

1451
00:47:11,589 --> 00:47:09,760
12 times 12-fold increase in the amount

1452
00:47:13,670 --> 00:47:11,599
of earth elements that we

1453
00:47:14,950 --> 00:47:13,680
that we are currently um bringing out of

1454
00:47:16,470 --> 00:47:14,960
the ground which mind you

1455
00:47:17,109 --> 00:47:16,480
environmentalists won't let you do

1456
00:47:20,950 --> 00:47:17,119
because

1457
00:47:22,950 --> 00:47:20,960
it's dirty mining we can't electrify the

1458
00:47:24,309 --> 00:47:22,960
the car fleet or we'll have to get it

1459
00:47:26,870 --> 00:47:24,319
from china

1460
00:47:27,750 --> 00:47:26,880
well the chinese won't sell it anymore

1461
00:47:29,750 --> 00:47:27,760
they're hoarding it

1462
00:47:31,109 --> 00:47:29,760
so there's a there's a coming shortage

1463
00:47:32,790 --> 00:47:31,119

that's one of the things they don't talk

1464

00:47:35,589 --> 00:47:32,800

about but there's a coming

1465

00:47:36,790 --> 00:47:35,599

shortage of the rare earth elements that

1466

00:47:38,630 --> 00:47:36,800

you need

1467

00:47:40,069 --> 00:47:38,640

for electric batteries by the way for

1468

00:47:42,470 --> 00:47:40,079

your for your smartphones

1469

00:47:44,390 --> 00:47:42,480

for your windmills for your solar panels

1470

00:47:45,349 --> 00:47:44,400

we're off of homelessness now but

1471

00:47:46,790 --> 00:47:45,359

you know when you talk about the

1472

00:47:48,309 --> 00:47:46,800

trade-off we're saying we're going to

1473

00:47:51,430 --> 00:47:48,319

make someone homeless

1474

00:47:52,950 --> 00:47:51,440

to do a policy which we can't do yeah

1475

00:47:54,549 --> 00:47:52,960

and to me that's part of the problem and

1476
00:47:56,150 --> 00:47:54,559
by the way you're an economist have you

1477
00:47:59,910 --> 00:47:56,160
ever seen a study

1478
00:48:02,950 --> 00:47:59,920
on the benefits of climate change

1479
00:48:05,750 --> 00:48:02,960
the benefits of the world being one

1480
00:48:06,710 --> 00:48:05,760
two degrees warmer than it is today

1481
00:48:08,309 --> 00:48:06,720
because

1482
00:48:09,829 --> 00:48:08,319
i'm sure there's negatives to it and

1483
00:48:12,790 --> 00:48:09,839
there's positive positives but i never

1484
00:48:15,829 --> 00:48:12,800
hear about the positives

1485
00:48:17,829 --> 00:48:15,839
no i i i don't either and i try to stick

1486
00:48:20,710 --> 00:48:17,839
to the economics not the science so

1487
00:48:22,470 --> 00:48:20,720
i'll you know i i leave that to others

1488
00:48:22,950 --> 00:48:22,480

yeah well i mean for instance i i know

1489

00:48:26,069 --> 00:48:22,960

that

1490

00:48:27,109 --> 00:48:26,079

there's some uh uh trade routes in the

1491

00:48:29,030 --> 00:48:27,119

north that become

1492

00:48:30,549 --> 00:48:29,040

available that makes it a hell of a lot

1493

00:48:33,910 --> 00:48:30,559

more efficient to to

1494

00:48:35,750 --> 00:48:33,920

to have goods go through balancing

1495

00:48:37,030 --> 00:48:35,760

pass very short right right yeah this

1496

00:48:40,390 --> 00:48:37,040

suddenly becomes available

1497

00:48:42,069 --> 00:48:40,400

so yeah how much how many billions of

1498

00:48:43,430 --> 00:48:42,079

dollars in economic benefit does that

1499

00:48:46,710 --> 00:48:43,440

provide the world

1500

00:48:48,710 --> 00:48:46,720

uh not to mention a whole other you know

1501

00:48:50,150 --> 00:48:48,720

in general it seems to me people think

1502

00:48:51,589 --> 00:48:50,160

they complain about the cold more than

1503

00:48:51,910 --> 00:48:51,599

they complain about the heat it seems to

1504

00:48:55,109 --> 00:48:51,920

me

1505

00:48:56,870 --> 00:48:55,119

writes about and if you've seen his work

1506

00:49:00,150 --> 00:48:56,880

where he'll talk about

1507

00:49:03,349 --> 00:49:00,160

um cold is a

1508

00:49:04,630 --> 00:49:03,359

bigger killer than extreme heat and so

1509

00:49:07,270 --> 00:49:04,640

he talks about that you know

1510

00:49:08,630 --> 00:49:07,280

using the the trade-off and you know he

1511

00:49:09,910 --> 00:49:08,640

gets into that and i think

1512

00:49:12,069 --> 00:49:09,920

i'm pretty certain you find that this is

1513

00:49:13,670 --> 00:49:12,079

still a net negative from global warming

1514

00:49:15,910 --> 00:49:13,680

but it's not nearly

1515

00:49:16,790 --> 00:49:15,920

um the negative it's it's not the end of

1516

00:49:18,309 --> 00:49:16,800

the world

1517

00:49:19,829 --> 00:49:18,319

yeah he says it's like the equivalent

1518

00:49:22,790 --> 00:49:19,839

two or three percent of

1519

00:49:24,230 --> 00:49:22,800

global gdp which is a bad recession but

1520

00:49:26,150 --> 00:49:24,240

it's not the end of the world

1521

00:49:27,829 --> 00:49:26,160

uh and and then again that's the the

1522

00:49:29,349 --> 00:49:27,839

point that there are

1523

00:49:32,069 --> 00:49:29,359

benefits there are costs it looks like

1524

00:49:33,829 --> 00:49:32,079

their costs are negative on net

1525

00:49:35,349 --> 00:49:33,839

but it's not the end of the world so we

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00:49:38,069 --> 00:49:35,359

need to uh

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00:49:38,470 --> 00:49:38,079

act responsibly and even if it were you

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00:49:40,309 --> 00:49:38,480

never

1529

00:49:41,510 --> 00:49:40,319

hear people say the building's on fire

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00:49:43,430 --> 00:49:41,520

so you should run around

1531

00:49:44,950 --> 00:49:43,440

panic and scream you know you need to

1532

00:49:47,109 --> 00:49:44,960

have a an intelligent

1533

00:49:48,390 --> 00:49:47,119

kind of way of dealing with it yeah well

1534

00:49:49,750 --> 00:49:48,400

and i'll just wrap

1535

00:49:51,510 --> 00:49:49,760

with this since we're jumping around is

1536

00:49:54,790 --> 00:49:51,520

the same thing you see it with covid

1537

00:49:56,710 --> 00:49:54,800

is that you hear the benefits of

1538

00:49:57,990 --> 00:49:56,720

a lockdown as far as it keeping the

1539

00:50:00,230 --> 00:49:58,000

coveted numbers down and so on

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00:50:01,030 --> 00:50:00,240

but nowhere in this analysis when we

1541

00:50:02,390 --> 00:50:01,040

look about

1542

00:50:04,549 --> 00:50:02,400

look at what the benefits would be of a

1543

00:50:06,630 --> 00:50:04,559

lockdown do we see the detriments

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00:50:08,309 --> 00:50:06,640

of a lockdown there's you know it's all

1545

00:50:09,430 --> 00:50:08,319

about listening to the doctors listening

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00:50:12,069 --> 00:50:09,440

to the scientists

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00:50:12,549 --> 00:50:12,079

but what about listen to the economists

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00:50:15,030 --> 00:50:12,559

and

1549

00:50:16,630 --> 00:50:15,040

all the detrimental effects of a

1550

00:50:17,430 --> 00:50:16,640

lockdown and then you just have to

1551
00:50:19,510 --> 00:50:17,440
balance

1552
00:50:21,109 --> 00:50:19,520
those two so okay you're going to save a

1553
00:50:23,430 --> 00:50:21,119
few more lives but you're going to cost

1554
00:50:24,390 --> 00:50:23,440
lives here and cost long-term this and

1555
00:50:26,630 --> 00:50:24,400
long-term this

1556
00:50:28,230 --> 00:50:26,640
we don't see any balancing at all right

1557
00:50:30,549 --> 00:50:28,240
well there's a famous quote right there

1558
00:50:32,470 --> 00:50:30,559
are no solutions only trade-offs

1559
00:50:33,589 --> 00:50:32,480
thank you again to wayne weingarten you

1560
00:50:36,230 --> 00:50:33,599
can go to amazon

1561
00:50:38,309 --> 00:50:36,240
and get his book no way home the crisis

1562
00:50:40,790 --> 00:50:38,319
of homelessness and how to fix it

1563
00:50:41,910 --> 00:50:40,800

also you can check out his work at the

1564

00:50:44,549 --> 00:50:41,920

pacific research

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00:50:45,910 --> 00:50:44,559

institute website thank you to our

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00:50:47,430 --> 00:50:45,920

producer michael parker thank you all

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00:50:48,870 --> 00:50:47,440

for listening we'll be back with another

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00:50:54,230 --> 00:50:48,880

episode

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00:50:55,670 --> 00:50:54,240

soon of the hidden tree show

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thank you for listening to the truth

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