

THE ROOT CAUSE OF HOMELESSNESS...

*Political leaders are baffled about how homelessness became so overwhelming. But, it isn't a mystery.
To end homelessness - stop the corruption.*

- In 1985 big real estate pushed for the Ellis Act that allowed landlords to take 25,000 affordable housing units off the market in the last decade alone.
- In 1995 big real estate pressured the California legislature to handcuff rent control - the Costa Hawkins Act - resulting in skyrocketing rents.
- Politicians at all levels have taken hundreds of millions of dollars from big real estate and do their bidding every time.
- The Los Angeles City Council routinely gives multi-million \$ zoning exemptions to developers without any affordable housing requirements - pricing people out of their own neighborhoods and leading to gentrification.
- Despite numerous city officials being indicted for taking bribes from developers no meaningful reforms have been instituted.
- Voters taxed themselves to build affordable housing but the projects take much too long and cost \$600,000+ each.

CORRUPTION.

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