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Obviously we need much more AFFORDABLE housing and not construction of high priced homes or condos.

We are flooded with high prices generated by greed by landlord who do renovations, jack up rents which some cannot afford. And, with corporate greed, our grocery costs have soared to the point that with all the other warranted increases, some parents may have to make the choice by putting food on the table rather than boots on the kid's feet.

With many blue collar jobs gone, some may not have enough post secondary education to have the current hi tech jobs.

I believe that leads to some of the homeless crisis. You don't put in the work to gain a degree, you will not be able to find a job..

I do have a concern about displacing people and businesses who have to nowhere else to go.

They will end up stuck due to unaffordability , end up paying more for home purchases, rentals and leases.

Some will end up on the streets in spite of having decent non-tech jobs because a one bedroom apartment can go for as much as \$ 2000, while they paid \$ 1200 for their renovated apartment.

Look at it as the number of bedrooms needed if a couple or single has children.

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