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It is time to realize that money is not the end goal. Prices are ever increasing, and homelessness will not go away in its own. Having a place to live is not a privilege, it should be a "RIGHT". The more that people have to live in their cars, tents or on a park bench is more harmful to our community and the safety of the people that live there. I am not just talking about the decrease in the value of homes or the way tent cities look. I am talking about the increase in healthcare, police services, social services, children who can't go to school because they don't have a home, people that can't enter the workplace because of what they look like, the increased need for food banks, shelters, crime....the list goes on and on. Unscrupulous people are creating rooming houses that we thought would only be in other countries, no one should be forced to live that way. STOP THINKING ABOUT GETTING RICH, start thinking about what is best for humanity, the community. People who live in filth will not be able to pull themselves out alone, most thought processes will not allow it, instead they are pulled down into a depression they can't get out of. If the developers are not forced to accommodate low income housing they will always resort to the higher price. Stop and think before it is too late. I have always thought that KW was a forward thinking area, ahead of its time. Don't disappoint. Put humanity first, inclusion is its own reward. People feel better about themselves, streets are safer, cleaner, and city council gets a return on its investment as these people get off the streets, into clean homes, jobs, and can give back to society. What goes around comes around, and it's time to look to the future. Do something your city can be proud of. One day it could be you, or someone you know, a loved one....many on the street didn't plan to be there either.

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