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I Vicki Gonzalez comes now to testify and oppose this for several reasons. Let me explain. The fact that most that receive these funds are not held to an auditable standard. Or scrutinized based on their prior handling of funds for homelessness. Let me share truth . It's true that I am homeless since 2020 and lived in My car. In Bend OR not the city of Bend /corporation/municipality/ I worked off and on. In October my hours were 56 hours. I did not get unemployment or know food stamps were issued. Oct. 29th I got pulled over for no insurance and the officer impounded my vehicle per the Bend Police policy. I had to borrow money to get my shelter back. I started listening to the police scanner. As Bend police policy was asserted in taking my shelter. Public records request show that they are seizing vehicles over 50 + during inflation. And the police take 150 motor vehicle release fee form . But what is more appalling is Bend police dispatch is calling transients "unwanted" and trespassing when no crime is asserted. A public records request to des chutes county 911 they provided me 50 pages front and back the term they use unwanted and I specifically required public accommodations. As transients need to use bathroom facilities. But it seems to benefit the city of bend to benefit from the homeless being on the streets to further push the narrative these people are on drugs etc. Dehumanizing. More so it Benefits the city of bend to relieve these funds as no investigation is done before seeing how recipient handles the funds and if civil rights and the people's unalienable rights are protected. Further when serving copies to the city of bend for my appeal Cades they denied certificate of service. I got thr name of who denied me and looked her up to find out she represents low income . Which I am. Furthermore before dispersing funds there should be a contract that upholds the people's rights and a copy provided to the recipient of those rights. So all parties are held to the law. Furthermore. If this hurts the middle class but not the corporation's cities. Then I oppose it. As cities entities and organizations need to be held to the law and must be accountable to the law and not violating people's rights. I want to state facts. I also think any city perpetuating homelessness should be fined or penalized by the state.