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****Key Issues Affecting Seniors Living in Manufactured Parks****

****Decreased Quality of Life:****

Many seniors residing in manufactured parks are not prepared for relocation, as they consider these properties their final homes. The escalating costs of rent, groceries, electricity, and property taxes pose significant challenges. These seniors have earned the right to enjoy their golden years in peace. Instead of cherishing this phase of their lives, they are burdened by concerns about their future housing arrangements.

****Decreased Manufactured Home Value:****

Rising rent leads to a decline in the value of manufactured homes. Some residents are burdened by mortgages in addition to rent and property taxes. Consequently, fewer seniors can afford to reside in what was once a suitable place to spend their remaining years.

****Trapped Residents:****

The owner of Seminole Estates Manufactured Park, a billionaire, has donated a substantial sum of \$53 million to the University of California, Irvine (UCI) for the Medical Innovation Building and related research center. Given her substantial wealth, it is imperative that she invest in maintaining the park and ensuring the safety and well-being of the residents.

However, there are pressing issues that demand attention. Tall trees are posing a threat to homes, as they are dying from the inside out. Additionally, the embankment along the creek is in need of continued support, as it is causing damage to numerous homes through erosion, moving cement pavers, and sinking fence-lined. Some homeowners have experienced cracks in their homes due to this erosion, and they feel trapped by the encroaching embankment, hindering their ability to sell their properties.

The owner of Seminole Estates Manufactured Park appears to be indifferent to the suffering of these residents, prioritizing her own interests over the well-being of the community. This neglectful attitude raises concerns about the ethical implications of her actions.