

Dear Legislators,

I would like to share three true experiences with you. We have 12 rentals in Eugene/Springfield. Two of our renters have been delinquent in their rent due to Covid-related job loss:

1. One of them paid nothing to us for 8 months but during that time **the husband bought a new Harley Davidson motorcycle and the wife continued to have her nails professionally done**. After we offered info to them about rental assistance, they applied and we were made whole. We believe this family took advantage of the rental assistance program. Our tax dollars were foolishly spent but because of the eviction moratorium, we as landlords had no alternative.
2. The other renter was paying her rent (with an approved special arrangement) but when she learned that she could receive assistance, she applied and received rental assistance through January of NEXT year. Meanwhile she **got a job a couple months ago that would allow her to easily pay her rent**. Again, our tax dollars are being unnecessarily spent.

Finally, our son is trying to hire a part-time office manager for his electrical contracting business. They have left messages for several people who have submitted resumes, but the people aren't calling back. Finally, they found one person who appeared to be qualified and interviewed well, but she told them **she needed to earn at least \$24/hour or she could earn more on unemployment**.

Yes, there are some deserving people out there... and there are private organizations out here that will help the truly needy.

**We need to stop the government giveaway programs so that capable people will be responsible for themselves.**

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