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Please do not take more away from those of us that are barely getting along in life as it is to give it to those that have chosen not to pay their way life. I understand there are a very few people that are truly in need but when I visit the homeless in Oregon, I am finding that most of them are not truly incapable of working and earning an income on their own. They have found it is much easier to live on social assistance and Oregon is certainly encouraging that mind set.

I am not rich. I have worked my entire life to make my own way through life. I have never found a time that I couldn't find a job of some kind to support me, my loved ones, and my choices in life. I am now 70 years old and looking forward to living on my little savings for the remainder of my life. Why would you take that money from me to give it to those that aren't willing to work for their needs; those that choose drugs and alcohol above eating, and those that have rushed into Oregon just to take my money because, after all, you make it so easy for them to get their social assistance without any accountability of their behaviors, to work for a living or pay taxes.

Please do not take more of my money to support those that aren't willing to be a part of the society we have learned to appreciate in America. The land of freedom to work for a living ....... if a person is willing to do so.