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Housing is a crisis and the greed of landlords is forcing more families into insecurity and unsafe situations daily. A friend of mine recently had rent raised over 10% in one go, while neither her or her spouse got anywhere near a 10% increase in income. Landlords screen tenants to make sure we make enough to rent their property, then raise the rent to significantly higher rates, and most never even do maintenance to justify the hikes. This makes it near impossible for middle and low income families to ever save money to purchase their own home. Many of us are paying off mortgages for owners who keep multiple properties for rentals, and I find this to be especially predatory and detrimental to local community growth.