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I have been watching a TV series called The Wire which was on TV for 6 sessions during 2008 and onward. Interesting that in this series the City of Baltimore was dealing with homeless drug addicts and even back then the drug that was killing people was fentanyl. Even back in 2008 Hollywood was making a series about this problem and yet here we are today some 16 years later still dealing with the issue. Watching the series can help understand the issues well wishers may fail to understand the drug is bigger than the want to quit until it's too late or the addict wants to stop. Those who use don't follow laws and each day and night they find a way to get the drug that is what drives their life. Serenity Lane recovery says it takes 2 years of clean living before the behavior can be changed.