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Dealing with the homeless situation in LA - three ideas

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Because the homeless problem is NOT going to be solved anytime soon, I propose two possible temporary "solutions." Both ideas might help alleviate not only the suffering many people experience everyday, it might help those who have "thrown their hands up" in the exasperation of seeing this day in and day out.

1) To get motorhomes, vans, campers and the like off the streets, out of parking lots in public parks and so on, why not designate vacant land to be used only by such vehicles?

2) Capsule Hotels have been popular in Japan for quite some time. Since there is a diverse range of people living on the street, this concept will only work with certain types of people.Is there not a rather large size vacant building in this city that might rather easily be converted?3) Mobile showers are most certainly needed and can be easily implemented. WANC filed a Community Impact Statement in reference to this.

It goes without saying and certainly obvious that details and logistics need to be worked out for these ideas. Success will be in the details of a well thought out plan.

I look forward to your response. Thank you

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