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Hello,

I know of a few people who have still been getting eviction notices despite this being illegal, and they haven't known what to do. It seems like every resource is under-funded, under-staffed, and kind of at a loss to figure out what to do. Seems also like as city and county government entities you're the best equipped to help all of us out by extending the eviction moratorium and enacting a rent freeze. I know it's hard for small landlords but people who lost their jobs simply can't pay rent, so it's the right thing to do.

Also it's great that we're using motels/hotels to house homeless people but this needs to happen on a wider scale. I'm sure you can coordinate with the various nonprofits working on homeless issues to see whose the best fit, and if possible start sending county mental health and social workers to these sites for those in need of mental health and substance abuse treatment in addition to housing.

Thanks