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Dear Sirs,

I am so disappointed in the politics of SCAG that I can hardly believe what I have learned.

It's shocking that the homeless housing is forced upon cities that don't have a homeless problem. Yorba Linda has little homelessness, yet this last-minute substitute motion was made, which introduced a modified RHNA methodology that would shift 75,000 housing units into Orange County. This modified methodology increased the City of Yorba Linda's RHNA obligation from 207 housing units to 2,322 housing units, amounting to an increase of 1,122%.

SCAG staff had proposed a methodology that would comply with state law and received unanimous support from its review committee, which is comprised of nearly 50 elected officials from the SCAG region — BUT then came the modified methodology - someone had their arm twisted or favors exchanged hands - how sad that is the way CA Government works, I have seen it first hand!

Try lowering taxes and cutting government staff so that families have more money to put toward housing. Quit giving away free lunches, healthcare, college tuition, and housing assistance to undocumented. I know it's done, I ran a food pantry for 7 years and saw 4 generations on the government 'dole'.

Sacramento wanted to make CA a Sanctuary State - let Sacramento house the homeless - don't force them into cities that are 'bedroom' communities where the homeowners have worked for many years to be able to 'move-up' to live in that city.

When we bought our first home in CA we lived in a low cost town, a small home and let the equity grow. We then moved to a better city and bought a dumpy house and remodeled it over 34 years. We never expected to move to CA and live in a top tier city to begin with. And now you bring in all the undocumented people with open arms, and expect the citizens to pay higher taxes, have high density shoved into areas that it just doesn't fit, infringe on the privacy of homeowners around the Projects and make traffic a nightmare because the roads and towns were never built to handle as many people as you demand to have living there. There aren't enough remaining acres for parks for the existing residents let alone 2,322 more - not to mention overcrowding in schools !

How about building high density in the rural agricultural areas and have the homeless live there and work in the fields. Give them a job and a hand up - but not a hand out or they will forever expect to live off the government dole and other people's money.

No wonder so many people are leaving CA - you have made this state a nightmare and a laughing stock !

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You cannot build character and courage by taking away people's initiative and independence. You cannot help people permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves. Abraham Lincoln