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If you want to understand why housing the unhoused is so impossible in this county, please read this thread.

So, let's get this straight. The guy who runs Housing for Clackamas County, not Multnomah County, is Vahid Brown. We'll start this thread here. It's a long thread.

Vahid calls someone on the phone to offer them housing at the new St Johns iteration of Hazelnut Grove. This call wasn't made due to an application to get into the new HG village. In fact, there are no applications for anyone to apply for housing at the new HG village. Why?

3/ I don't know. How do I know? Because I called out Do Good Multnomah 2 months ago for seemingly having NO process for conducting fair and equitable admissions for this new village.

Our assumption that it was a "good ol' boys" network has been proven true, yet again. [@VoHpdx](#)

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Do Good Mult has misled unhoused folks in St Johns telling them that they could have a spot in the new housing, giving false hope to current SJ residents who have been residing in the area for years, many of whom were born here.

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5/ That Vahid used his privilege in such an egregious way, should result in his losing his job. If there is a process, it needs to be fair and open. When I spoke to DGM months ago, they lied to me about having a process to get into HG.

6/ There are currently 6 houseless residents who have been inhabiting the area of the new HG village, for months. They were recently swept from that area. Where was their invitation from Vahid or DGM to occupy housing in the HG? DGM also told these 6 people that they could move in

7/ but later reneged. No applications were given to any of them. DGM was trying to control a situation they thought they could control. Try to pacify the houseless with false dreams, and continue to roll over them in their fitful sleep. Classy, DGM. It was

all a lie.

8/Our houseless our hurt and angry about it. They know they were lied to. DGM used the potential lore of housing as a lie to get the most vulnerable in our community to leave the premises. We, as advocates, often talk about the broken system of housing for our houseless community.

9/And this is why. How does a Clackamas County Housing Official even have the weight in SJ in this new village process? The gall of Vahid Brown to use members of the old HG as a "nice optic" for the new housing, is disgusting. It's criminal. And it's negligent. An abuse of power.

There should be a process. Who are the elders who been unhoused the longest? Who are the most medically fragile, esp during COVID? Who has been in a continuum of care for housing which has not been produced, as is most often the case? Who was born and raised in SJ?

11/ That should count for something. This is their neighborhood.

And where is the city and county in all of this? Where is the oversight? Hah. There is none and this just proves it for the hundredth time.

12/Deborah Kafoury and the county who give money to DGM, aren't involved in this? I know that they are. We've had meetings w/ Kafoury directly about the troubling goings-on of DGM.

13/ We questioned if all employees/volunteers of DGM were even given background checks since they have access to unhoused women in their shelters. We never received verification of this but we did get a run-around.

14.And now Clackamas County is involved as well. Well, isn't this a party of officials making money off of our unhoused communities. This has to stop. But will it? Can it? Who's to stop it? At least 2 of us have been trying for years to stop this.

15/I know we'll need a lot more to hold all of these parties accountable. Good luck to us, but more importantly, this will cause further suffering and malady and death to our houseless residents in St Johns and throughout Multnomah County.

16/I haven't even mentioned the St Johns Community Church which is directly responsible for making between \$40-\$60K a year off leasing their property to the city for this village. Nor have I mentioned its pastor who is personally responsible for calling for too many sweeps to

17/even count, on the street in front of it's church and the property for this village. Again, there's so much to this mafia tale of truth. Where does Rabid Response fit it? Again, more on making money off of the houseless while telling media you are the heroes of the houseless,

18/according to an interview Rabid Response did on Talk Out Loud a few weeks ago. One thing's for sure. There's a lot of \$\$ to be made from houselessness and this city (and white men) sure know how to do that well in order to move ahead in the field of being assholes.

19/ Would be great to hear the PR against what I've said here from Vahid Brown, Ted Wheeler, Do Good Multnomah, Pastor David from the church, Rabid Response, Deborah Kafoury, Clackamas housing department and the folks on the streets of St Johns.

20/ If you've read this and don't have questions, you aren't paying attention. But you aren't alone. Enjoy the company. As for me, I'm here to answer questions from those of you who have any. I never trusted Vahid since the day we met. I was right about that. And that sucks.

21/ Because when you call yourself an advocate for the houseless, but your vested interest is in looking good to get the next promotion off the backs of the unhoused, that makes you the very epitome of the bottom. And the list I made earlier in this thread? That's who they are.