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Good Afternoon,
I hope all is well; I am emailing you about recurring issues happening at the park located at:
[1500 W Rowland Ave](#)
West Covina, CA 91790

I visit this park approximately 3-5 times a week. Every time I go, there is always a large group of transients in the park under the gazebo.
I understand the homeless population has rights; however, these unhoused individuals are seen bathing themselves in the restrooms, causing indecent exposure - violation of penal code 314 PC.
They are seen vandalizing the bathroom walls - violating penal code 594 PC.
I constantly see individuals drinking alcoholic beverages in public.
I constantly see individuals inhaling nitrous oxide gas out of metal tanks for the purpose of intoxication - violation of 381 b PC.
Individuals are seen injecting narcotics and smoking cannabis products.
Individuals are seen urinating in public inside the park.

This park attracts many families with children as well as many pet owners. However, the topic of discussion among the park visitors, is "what is the City of West Covina doing to target the homeless issue that is now affecting our quality of life?"

I understand California treats the variety of these violations with only a slap on the wrist by issuing citations that some of these people do not bother paying.

However, these issues are impacting the quality of life of West Covina residents. I own property here and pay taxes. There is no reason I should feel unsafe to take my nephews to the park. How is the city of West Covina handling the homeless issue? Previous council meetings (Nov 9, 2021) touched on this issue of providing parks with better locks on doors on women's bathrooms due to sexual assaults. How is the city addressing these recurring issues?

Thank you,

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