

Dear Councilors and Mayor,

I have been notified that there is a motion to ban encampments in the City of Guelph. First off I would like to state that perhaps there should be more and better sustainable and affordable housing for these individuals? Banning encampments will not remove the homeless population from the Guelph downtown area but in fact make it more apparent. Is your plan to then arrest all these individuals? (as we know you will be increasing the Guelph police budget) Unfortunately, we as residents know that you are completely for profit, for infrastructure, for arresting minorities and the unhoused, leaving your humanity behind. We beg of you to think of those who need to survive through this winter and the number of bodies that will be on your hands. Make solutions. Stop displacing human beings. Thank you.

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Sincerely,
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