

An Open Letter To The LA Times

Your coverage of AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) is profoundly unfair.

AHF has saved millions of lives and has led the battle against AIDS in California for 36 years.

In your most recent article, it does not say that every high-level inspector in Los Angeles has certified under oath that we are doing everything possible to give our tenants a decent place to live.

Not long ago you wrote a front-page article about our MediCal contract being cancelled by the Newsom administration. However, you neglected to write a follow-up story when that action was ruled unconstitutional by the court and the contract was reinstated.

Six homeless people die on the streets of Los Angeles every day. The 100+ year old buildings we have purchased for \$178 million and spent \$15.4 million operating and fixing up are the low hanging fruit to house people immediately.

Making the perfect the enemy of the good is cruel. What better solution are you offering?

You have toured our buildings multiple times and have seen our efforts to make them clean and secure. What is your agenda in attacking virtually every Skid Row housing provider?

Your articles have become fodder for the corporate real estate industry to fight our initiative for rent control. We aren't perfect and we can accept criticism, but you have gone way beyond the pale in attacking one of the largest non-profits in California while leaving the corporate landlords unscathed.



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