Dear Sirs,

I'm sorry to inform you that we cannot get this done. There's no way we can do it. We are unable to get the thing to budge. We cannot do it without the Big House. I do see a challenge. Meth and Heroin remain illegal in that the Lord is challenging us to see if before making it legal, if we can nullify and neutralize it by prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation. If we can hammer on the greater *Stigma* and knock on it by each method and break it down unto the individual, then I believe we can meet this challenge.

We are unable to completely provide a drug-free homelessness and rehabilitated population, I am sorry. Boosting- not the shooting up, no. "Boosting"- stealing from retail, commercial markets, stores, etc. The Sub-culture will remain at current levels, citizens are showing more honor though, "I won't break into a house-just a vehicle remains at current levels. The majority female prostitution reamins the hardest hit to morals, ethics, and spirit. The men turn to thieves, the women to p's. Launching is Landing...

Before the current wave of heroin hit after MJ legalization, (Legalization is a little crazy in our open and free markets "attitudes" to roll out). We did not allow our growers and dealers, our (industry workers) etc. anything publicly as far as assurance to come free!

Please better prepare current illegals (anything illegal). If I am a producer, dealer, runner, etc. I need to know that legalization is for me! I need to know that replacing this income is No problem Sirs, no big deal. I do not want to think, oh my God, I won't get a job, I won't try to go legit. Why? Because of the thought of that income, the comparison to wages. Scary thoughts, we need to have these segments covered. No problem... God Bless the USA.

Update (Oregon) 11-20-22.

Last summer in the PDX Metro area welcomed by many citizens were: **BLUES**. After closing the Pill mills, the price of an *opiate* type of pill that is smokeable, injectable, snortable, ingestible went up to \$20.00 per 1 pill. Fentanyl influx came fast around this time as well. Today, we have a small round blue pill that is either a synthetic fentanyl or a more measured dose of fentanyl per pill, where our people are talking about it and its safety. (well that's good huh?). The price has blown out the bottom at \$3-\$5.00 per 1 pill only. These things are everywhere. When one stands back, looks at the market, the marketing, distribution, production, manufacturing, and sales, we may have a genius here. This is the type of person this letter speaks of here. How can they get a legit job when making 6 figures this way? I know what you're thinking, jail right? But common folks, our ways just are not working. Done correctly, lovingly, neighborly, we could see citizens, and whoever it is, coming in like stray cats to a loving home. When an American is in the black market as an American, the conscious is heavy. Our citizens can be recovered, every one of them.

Today, On Sunday afternoons in Portland there is a zoom gathering of a growing group named The Portland *Drug Users* Union (PDU). From a human services perspective these individuals coming together like this is an orchard of harvest that can be more easily picked into recovery and rehabilitation. They all are not fully aware of this, but this effort in grouping up publicly is a formal call out for help. Do you think we can do it effectively?

Thank You.

FYI: (for your interest).

Everything you think you know about addiction is wrong (Johann Hari | TEDGlobalLondon).

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