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In the small city of Grants Pass allowing houseless people to set up camp in any public area would create havoc. City parks have already become dens for drugs and the safety in this city has decreased. Parks are not safe and there is trash and drug paraphernalia in all areas where houseless people are encamped. Allowing houseless people to set up tents and camp anywhere would only increase the crime, addiction, and dangers from individuals with mental illness. Does this state not care about hard working families in these rural areas who are trying to raise there children in a safe place and trying to make ends meet? Should our cities be trashed because we aren't funneling money into rehab and help for the mentally ill? Allowing people to set up camp everywhere is the wrong choice.