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I've owned a 4 Plex in Beaverton for 30 years. I bought it to help me in retirement. For the past 7 years I've had some problem tenants who have been able to pull a rabbit out of their hat and consistently avoid eviction. I recently got paid for 3 months of back rent, paid by some social organisation. Not before they falsely claiming there was mold in the apartment and their kids were sick. I was forced to pay another \$475 to test for mold, nothing and no reimbursement. Since then they haven't paid for the next 2 months, that totals 5 months (in a row) when they have paid nothing. We are currently pursuing an eviction, again. I just want this nightmare to end. Please gives us the tools to stop this insanity. They should be drug tested before one more penny goes to supporting these deadbeats. Being down on your luck is one thing, but abusing the system designed to help is another. I've been willing to forego the rent reimbursements, if they would just leave. I feel stuck with problem children whom are actually adults. Please help us.

Jeff