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I live in a senior manufactured home community and on a fixed limited income. When the rent goes up 10%, which it usually does yearly, it takes half my income or more. I'm thankful my home is paid for but I have a car payment, credit cards (which I often have to use to live on), and a personal loan (to pay off credit cards but ended up using them again). It's very difficult for us seniors to live, and not even comfortably, on this fixed income when the the rent is increased 10%. Our social security does not go up 10% so why is it that the property owner/community management are allowed to raise more than we get. Most of us are being forced out of our homes and are either living out of our cars or homeless because we can't make ends meet. Even if I had no debit, just maintenance, I could barely make it. I've have had to take on a full time job so I could pay off my debit but don't know what will happen after that and if I can live off my social security. We need to put a stop to outrageous hikes in rent increase. We have been told, by the owner, that they will raise the rent as much as they can until they are told not to. WELL I think it's time that someone steps up/in and tells them enough is enough!!!! Please help us seniors, PLEASE