

## I have a noble idea:

Tish – while remembering back on Justice, Freedom, and Equality and the importance of mental health care access in Buffalo: Stop by the Salvation Army ARC at 1080 Military Road and talk to some people receiving 'mental health' rehabilitation. Ask some 'benes' if they were coerced into signing up at social services for TA benefit money so the Salvation Army receives welfare funding to run their business.

Enjoy a free meal at 1080 Military Road, cooked by 'bene' labor, paid for in part by TA benefit money. Have brief interviews with some 'bene's' there and see how many are on the TA hook for the grift. Ask them if they understand they will be repaying \$351/month for money ECDSS 'launders' out while they stay there getting rehabilitation. While getting paid \$5-\$18/wk to work 40 hours. That they have to pay to do their weekly laundry out of.

Have a fire inspector check on conditions and do an inspection in the ARC work therapy building. Also, have a code inspector check out the sanitary conditions in the kitchen on the second floor of the place...

Ask the current ARC management there if they feel christian values allow them to manipulate people for gov't funding while falsely advertising free rehabilitation. Then go to ECDSS downtown and Ask Marie Cannon who is now making \$140K/yr yet grew up on food stamps how her department lets this happen. Bring a DA and a journalist with you.

Ask Marie Cannon why ECDSS instructs the OTDA to hang a rope around peoples necks to repay for money they never saw. Because ECDSS laundered it to religious hypocrites and the OTDA is allowed to debt 'recollect' against what is legally outlined by the state to protect the public. Then have Thomas DiNapoli explain why the OTDA is breaking the law.

Most importantly, have Marie Cannon or TA office employees show you where specifically on a 2013 TA application it states that 'rent' provided to a landlord has to be repaid. When they can't show you this detail it is pretty obvious what you should be doing. Ceasing OTDA collection from victims of fraud unless TA paperwork has been revised properly. To legally allow them to enforce 'intercepting' benefit money [that only landlords (special contracted vendors) can cash in]. If they insist on continuing their fraudulence.

The other slogan is 'Others' – William Booth, founder of The Salvation Army, once sent a letter to all of his officers. When they opened it, it simply said 'others'. ***He did not mean use 'others' social security numbers scam govt funding and run a business for profit !***

Then again who really cares – the majority are inner city colored folk or minorities most with no family or external support. It is very easy to exploit the voiceless. If someone calls out foul play, just pay a little back to the system. Maybe no one reading this letter actually cares about humanity and doing things legally. Marie Cannon clearly doesn't know what's going on. She should be a strong voice protecting and standing up to help these victims. Yet her dept just hands money to a landlord, reneges, and sends the OTDA out to recollect illegitimate debts under her watch. It is corruption, dirty politics, loophole abuse, religious exemptions, and fraud all in one smooth systematic grift.

All the TA apps in that time frame with the same wording I allude are all cases of fraud when the OTDA recollects. Simple money laundering to grifters with an implied repayment clause that enables 'bullies' to recollect illegitimate debts. Basically reneging on helping people by backcharging them. It's funny how the employees at the OTDA won't even sign a name on their correspondence. They use generic state seal letterhead. How professional is that?

I hope I am wrong and you will act and see that these issues of systematic fraud and the beauraucracy within Erie County at ECDSS, TA and subsequently in Albany within the OTDA are addressed. Still fund the Salvation Army hypocrits – just remove the state govt recollecting illegitimate debts from victims of fraud by illegal methods part of the grift. I hope your MLK Day with loved ones was great and you will get to work on this important matter while you visit Buffalo.

ECDSS/TA has employees is handing money over to non-profit businesses in blatant violation of their own department policies. The fraud reporting office headed by Craig Provenzo and even Marie Cannon have been informed this is going on and refuse to stop it. Making people work 40hrs/wk like slaves have to repay back what a 'vendor' grifted in gov't funding on their behalf years later is as wrong as telling Rosa Parks to get to the back of the bus. Someone needs to fix the problem !

You need to step up and protect the public from being leined on by bureaucracy festering within the Rath building. Why can't you just order an audit showing how much TA benefit \$ is going to the Salvation Army ARC? Take any random and you may find 15-20 men are signed up for TA benefits any month and a single vendor is cashing all those checks. The Salvation Army ARC makes them work 40hrs/wk to adjust back into a 'regular working' lifestyle while they recover from addictions. Not even paying them more than \$20/wk to do their laundry and maybe get a pack of smokes or a ice cream in the cantina. How fair is that ? They do not provide job training at all. Some colored men get to work in the kitchen preparing food for free.

The TA system gives out \$350/month for each of them to allow the management at the Salvation Army to go on two weeks paid vacation a year because they preach the word of god. Then 7 yrs down the road, if the black men happen to

find jobs or hit the lottery, the OTDA backcharges them for a stint in a 'rehab' plantation working like slaves with no freedom. Backcharges them for money they never even touched. While the ARC leadership changes hands every 2yrs or so to avoid suspicion and stay under the radar. It isn't right and you need to put an end to it...

44 people recently died due to improper govt response during a blizzard and Kathy Hochul and Poloncarz not having the National Guard and snowmobiles ready in time to save lives. Erie County is the most corrupt county in the state. Stop bashing Trump – work to change real issues that affect the people. Not just the rich...

Rgds,

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