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YOUR TOWN NEXT

• What would you do if 20,000 poverty-stricken immigrants were dumped in your backyard? Don't laugh—they may be on the way.

By the AFP Staff

Wealthy elite journalists, liberal Democrat politicians, and other D.C. insiders have spent the past week mocking American citizens' legitimate grievances about federal immigration policies that are reshaping this country for the worse. By choosing to focus on lurid rumors about immigrants supposedly eating family pets, the mainstream media once again demonstrates its disdain for working-class Americans, who every day face this illegal immigrant onslaught.

Take Springfield, Ohio, one of the towns that figures prominently in these tales. Springfield's history mirrors much of the rest of the country. At one point, Springfield was a manufacturing powerhouse, but, thanks to globalism and NAFTA, the good-paying jobs have gone, leaving behind residents who are struggling to survive.

In the past two decades, tens of thousands of people have moved away from the town in search of a better life. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, of those who remain, less than half are fully employed. The median income is stuck at around \$25,000 a year—some \$12,000 less than the national average—while the



KAMALA HARRIS
Laughs at citizen concerns.

poverty rate remains stubbornly high at over 20%.

Amidst all this misery, beginning in 2020, as part of the federal Temporary Protected Status program, 20,000 poor, uneducated immigrants from Haiti were dumped on the city with promises that Washington would help to feed, clothe, and house all these people.

We all know Washington's promises are worthless, however.

Two months ago, Springfield City

Manager Bryan Heck wrote a letter to Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-Ohio), begging him for federal assistance. The city is in debt and out of resources trying to care for and house all these Haitian immigrants, wrote Heck.

"Without further support at the federal level, communities like Springfield are set up to fail in being able to meet the housing needs of its residents," he concluded.

Of course, this only speaks to the economic reality of what happens when the total population of a small city like Springfield is increased by one-third by foreign immigrants hailing from a vastly different Third World nation. No one is even mentioning what this does culturally to a once-thriving blue-collar American city.

Following the presidential debate on Sept. 11, Republican vice presidential candidate JD Vance shot back at a reporter who asked about rumors that Haitian immigrants have been caught by Springfield locals eating dogs and cats,

"Whether this story turns out to be true, somewhat true or mostly true, whatever the case may be," said Vance, "this town has been ravaged by 20,000 migrants coming in. Healthcare costs are up. Housing costs are up. Communicable diseases have skyrocketed. This is what Kamala Harris's border policies have done."

The real story here is not whether the daughter of a friend of a friend caught their Haitian neighbor killing and roasting a cat. It is that the liberal establishment has cynically chosen to laugh at these rumors for the sole purpose of avoiding any substantive discussion on how this country's immigration policies have been gutting the nation for decades. ★

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