I am a Special Education Educational Assistant and though my current hourly wage is acceptable to me the less than 40 hour work week and several months of no pay (summer and school breaks) has a big financial effect on my income.

I have a daughter with developmental disabilities and it has always been important for her and myself that I am home and available in the summer months. A second job that would suit my needs is not easy to come by. However, I donate plasma for the extra needed income as often as my blood levels will allow me. I can not tell you what a huge impact unemployment for a few months would help our family.

Thank you.
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