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Senator Manning and Bentz, and Representative Meek and Zika,

I am looking forward to reading through the entire report of the Joint Task Force on Addressing Racial Disparities in Home Ownership. One of the themes I saw in the initial report was on downpayment assistance. I recently sent you an article and I wanted to make sure you saw it on a pilot program with credit unions through our Foundation to specifically support downpayment assistance for home ownership. KGW just did a nice story on the program.

I was also encouraged to see the themes of financial literacy throughout your report.

I am taking one of my kids to college on Thursday but will be watching the task force online! Thank you for all your work!

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Home ownership is the American Dream, but too often it isn't a reality in expensive housing communities across the Northwest. Working with grants provided by the Northwest Credit Union Foundation, Consolidated Community Credit Union is changing that with a **no down payment loan**. Please enjoy KGW's coverage of a delightful teacher who took advantage of the loan and is now enjoying her very own home! Watch the story [here](#).