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I am writing on behalf of myself, my family, and my community. 3 years ago my family, through extenuating circumstances, became homeless. Myself, my husband, and our 7 children applied for housing programs and were turned down left and right because of our family size, or because the housing programs were too full. So we lived in our car, we lived in a tent, and in our car. We decided to take matters into our own hands. We bought land, we educated ourselves on all things construction, drafted our own building plans, and are building our own home as we can afford it. My husband is also starting a business. During this time period, he paid for and achieved certifications in his field and is working hard to get that going. This program would help us to expedite our goals, tremendously.

We are a family who works and contributes as we can. We are community members who would greatly benefit from a program that would give back to us. This program would help families like us to reach our goals which would overall heighten the community adding even greater motivation and fulfillment. This program has a direct impact on hard-working people who are striving towards better.