

Dear Berkeley Housing Authority et al.

I was expressing to Tia that I very much appreciate this program. If it wasn't for Section 8 I would be couch surfing with my daughter. My husband left and moved to another country when I was 24 and my daughter was two years old. and we lived on peoples couches until I received Section 8.

It was so unstable and we were so vulnerable. Because of this program I am on a Bachelors degree program and have been able to work on developing my own business. The rents have tripled in Berkeley since we moved here. If not for Section 8 we would not be able to survive here. My daughter finally feels stable and is getting straight A's at Berkeley High.

I feel so blessed and I was telling Tia. She suggested I write a letter. I would like to write 100 more of these letters.

Blessings to you all!

Happy Thanksgiving!

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