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Re: HUD's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, "Establishing Flexibility for Implementation of Work Requirements and Term Limits," Docket No. FR-6520-P-01

The following comments were submitted by Housing Choice Voucher participants, advocates, and housing providers in response to HUD's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, [FR-6520-P-01: Establishing Flexibility for Implementation of Work Requirements and Term Limits](#). Common themes include concerns about disability, caregiving responsibilities, and risk of housing instability if these changes go into effect.

Tantika King (Nottingham, MD):

"People may not work for different reasons. Holding job fairs and job training programs are a great way to help some people get back in the working field instead. There shouldn't be a time limit for people to move out unless it's resources to help them buy or find affordable housing."

Stephanie Wilson (Elkridge, MD):

"These policies do not address the root of poverty or housing instability. Instead, they create additional barriers for vulnerable individuals and families who like me are already struggling with disability. We are walking a thin line towards homelessness. Losing our housing voucher is major."

David Gamerman (Baltimore, MD):

"A blanket policy requiring work is not realistic. Time limits on assistance are not feasible, as all my clients have disabilities and that will not change. The reality is that they will ultimately be homeless, and their children will be affected for the rest of their lives. They do not choose to be in this situation."

Nicole Flowers (Ellicott City, MD):

"I really just would like to take the time to say thank you to all the employees who go above and beyond. I have 2 parents in their 70s that I help take care of and my Housing Choice Voucher helps me a lot."

Eloise Turner (Catonsville, MD):

"I strongly oppose the work requirements and time limits being placed on housing vouchers. These changes could unfairly impact families who are already working hard, dealing with health issues, caring for children, or facing barriers to employment. Housing vouchers provide stability and safety, which are necessary to live."

Toshua Holmes (Baltimore, MD):

"Many people on this program have lost their jobs, and it's hard to find good-paying work. Some people don't have transportation because they can't afford it or criminal records that won't allow them to get good paying jobs. A lot of laws would have to change to fix this issue. It's a lose-lose situation for the poor."

Chalonda Lomax (Baltimore, MD):

"I believe in life progress takes time, and if a person is still working and reaching goals to get housing assistance, we shouldn't limit their growth by adding pressure to it in this economy. It's hard with food cost and medical bills. Speaking for myself, it was my housing voucher that helped me finish school."

Elvira McCormick (Columbia, MD):

"The Housing Choice Voucher program means a lot to me. If I didn't have this, I don't know where I would be. I have two kids and three grandchildren, and they deserve to have a safe haven. That's what this means to me."

Samora Hall (Halethorpe, MD):

"We need this voucher program badly. Millions of families will be homeless without this funding or if you make drastic changes to it."

Kirchera Murel (Nottingham, MD):

"As a single mother I am opposed to how our nation is treating this matter. The ones who hurt most are the children. Especially when fathers who are on child support are not penalized for their actions but instead it falls on the mothers and workers."

Kateia Drummond (Columbia, MD):

"I have been a part of the housing voucher program for several years, and it has truly given my family a new outlook on life. Since moving, I have been able to finish college and now I work at a great job. Having safe and stable housing gave me the chance to focus on my goals and make better choices. Don't give them a time limit to get better."

Shakiarah Spencer (Baltimore, MD):

"Me and my son were homeless and living house-to-house after losing apartments because everything was so expensive. This voucher program saved our lives."

Shontel Ward (Halethorpe, MD):

"Dear legislators, please help people and families like me. Save those who are in the Housing Choice Voucher program. It is essential to me and many other families because it allows us to live in safe environments and provide better quality of life for our children."

Phoebe Allen (Randallstown, MD):

"I'm a single mother of 3, and I have always worked since I was 16 years old. Now I'm 39 years old. I have always struggled and had to work in my life. Having a Housing Choice Voucher gives my family stability. Adding a work requirement will not help our situation."

Alicia Riggins (Ellicott City, MD):

"There shouldn't be any changes made to the program. A lot of families depend on these vouchers. It would just make things worse for us."

Christina Moore (Cockeysville, MD):

"If Congress thinks this is a solution, then they are apart from the problem. This is coming from a working mom that also pays her taxes."

Karmala Thomas (Baltimore, MD):

"I oppose proposals to add time limits or work requirements to U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) rental assistance programs. These changes would destabilize families, increase evictions, and punish people already working or caring for loved ones."

Bernetra Davis (Middle River, MD):

"Time limits and work rules on housing vouchers are unfair. Families face low wages, discrimination, and rising rents. These changes will cause more homelessness. Housing is a right, so expand access, don't restrict it."

Lakriesha Carter (Glen Burnie, MD):

"Work requirements and time limits on housing vouchers create instability, punish people who already work or face barriers, and risk pushing families into homelessness. Stable housing is a basic need that supports work, health, and opportunity; these rules only make poverty worse."

Danyelle Taylor (Severn, MD):

"As a single mom of three, I work full-time and attend school to build a better future. My voucher lets my kids thrive in a safe, resource-rich community. Time limits or work rules would destabilize us. Housing is the foundation we need to succeed."

Sharron Smith (Elkridge, MD):

"If you have health problems and unable to work, or taking care of disabled family, how can you survive under this policy?"

Beronica Martin (Parkville, MD):

"Please know that this program helps me to be able to afford food and other essential things I won't be able to do. It also gives my daughter a better experience with school. This program helps my family and offers so many opportunities that I couldn't provide. With that I'm so thankful and grateful."

Gladys Rivera (Lorain, OH):

"It's not fair to do this to people who are on Section 8 just because they need help or they're disabled like me."

Latonya Howard (Columbia, MD):

"This is not the best time to even consider taking people homes away, giving us that help with renting is what helps us to get by. We all don't have big degrees that can afford the rent that is being charged today, please find another way other than throwing hurdles at people that still work to keep this system going. A lot of people using this program either have been or still are hardworking people. Although a few people may try to take advantage of the benefits, I don't think that the small number of bad apples should ruin it for a whole. I'm a single mom that became stable through this program."

Kashae Moody (Towson, MD):

"The housing program and the voucher that helps me each month is a complete blessing. I rely on this voucher very much and it has truly saved my life. I am able to provide a safe, stable, clean and amazing home for my son and I. Taking away this program will hurt millions of Americans. Help us please by not passing these restrictions."

Andrea Cure (Pasadena, MD):

"Everyone can't work, most voucher holders are disabled, elderly or have young children. You need a home before you can work because a safe steady home promotes growth. Jobs aren't always easy to get, and for myself, childcare is a concern. There's an unfair impact on low-wage workers, brown people and single moms when it comes to these policy changes."

Jaquana Morris (Hanover, MD):

"I would like to say that I'm not an able body person and I am medically unable to work. I also help take care of family. It is challenging to do day-to-day things due to health restrictions. I need this housing assistance. It has changed my life. Please consider letting us keep things how they are."

Shaneka Jones (Baltimore, MD):

"I am writing to oppose the proposed work requirements and time limits for housing voucher recipients. These policies would harm low-income individuals and families, particularly seniors, people with disabilities, and single parents who already face significant challenges in finding stable work."

Tracy Drafts (Owings Mills, MD):

"Time limits and work requirements will harm families who are already doing their best. HUD assistance should support stability, not punish people."

Shanell Adams (Owings Mills, MD):

"I hope my signature makes a difference. I am speaking for all the mothers and families that can't afford affordable housing. It's hard for a single mom with kids, especially as the cost of living keeps rising."

Monica Watkins (Baltimore, MD):

"If this were passed, I may end up homeless with my family. I also have children with mental health illnesses that would be impacted by this decision."

Jasmine Bennett (Owings Mills, MD):

"Some of us who are single moms depend on the vouchers. Some of us don't have family to help us with childcare and daily needs. Please reconsider keeping housing voucher policies where they are."

Crystal Worsley (Baltimore, MD):

"I feel like the work requirement is reasonable for those who can work, but the time limit isn't feasible because a lot of people are climbing back into having their own and the time limits set aren't enough time. Finding a job is hard and we have to still pay bills we had when we were living unstable. Being poor is expensive."

Carolyn Young (Columbia, MD):

"It's no time limit on getting your life together after coming from group homes and foster homes. Housing is necessary and needed and appreciated. We have all been through terrible situations, but when you were born in one, it takes years to just get your life together. Not months."

Shanye Brogdon (Owings Mills, MD):

"How can this even be considered? I know there are some law makers who have family members or even know people that started out with a housing voucher. Vouchers are steppingstones that most families need until they themselves become stable."

Vanity Ray (Edgewood, MD):

"Please don't change our policy for low-income housing. We need this program and funding for our children and families in need of financial assistance and support."

Tamika McFadden (Parkville, MD):

"We need this program with prices for everything being so high. This program is helping a lot of people that don't have any other help as far as paying rent. Without it, people will become homeless, even with the time limit. Trying to find a job these days are hard with everything being cut by the federal government."

Diamond Christian (Columbia, MD):

"PLEASE FUND HOUSING. IT SAVED MY LIFE AND EMPOWERED ME!"

Lakeshia Royster (Cockeysville, MD):

"Please continue to help these programs and the people that need them. A lot of families need this to benefit their families. A lot of families can't afford to work cause of disability and other health problems they have going on."

Jasmine Groomes (Columbia, MD):

"I would like to add that BRHP has saved my life. As a participant who receives a housing choice voucher, I strongly oppose the work requirements and time limits. It is

very hard to adapt without the proper transportation, daycare, family support, and adequate education."

Macie Chapman (Parkville, MD):

"I believe that time limits are just a hindrance to those who are trying to provide a stable home for themselves and their families. The economy and society place so many restrictions on opportunities already."

Chanel Marshall (Westminster, MD):

"The voucher program has assisted me in many ways over the years. This program has awarded me the opportunity to enroll my children in a school system that is academically sound and sensitive to the needs of each individual child. Our new city is an extreme blessing."

Rodney Berrain (Brooklyn, MD):

"I am currently a public housing tenant, and I am on the Section 8 list. Me having my own place with my 11-year-old son has been a blessing. I have disability so I'm limited when it comes to working. I can't afford to pay regular rent. A lot of my family members are on Section 8, and I've seen them advance and grow."

Belinda Richardson (Catonsville, MD):

"I work for Bon Secours Community Works & I constantly see names coming across my desk of people who need eviction prevention assistance due to individuals and families not being able to pay regular rent. If they don't receive Section 8 or public housing, it will be like this for a lot of families."

Brittany Kirk (Towson, MD):

"In today's economy with the cost of living continuously increasing we need housing assistance. Even middle-class working families are struggling to keep a roof over their heads, it's sad. There will be a lot more homeless individuals & families if they pass this."

Eguine Foster (Owings Mills, MD):

"Please give the housing voucher program a chance to help families fight poverty and advance with their lives so that other vulnerable families can get the same

opportunity. We know that these programs are not meant to last forever, but everyone succeeds at different speeds."

Tina Vice (Baltimore, MD):

"To whom it may concern, I am a single mother with one disabled 13-year-old daughter. We have nowhere to live if I lose my housing voucher."

Chelsea Meachem (Columbia, MD):

"The housing voucher program has been very helpful across the nation for low-income families and people that have disabilities. It gives the less fortunate more opportunities for better jobs and better education that they would not have in high-poverty areas."

Chelby Patterson (Columbia, MD):

"Please, I'm single working mom of one and this program helps me keep a roof over my son's head and gives access to programs and extracurricular activities to help better his life. This has been the best opportunity for us, and I do not know what I would do without it. I already work 6-7 days a week to keep everything I currently have."

Margo Lewis (Baltimore, MD):

"I would really have such a hard time if my housing voucher stops. My daughter and I had been laid off. Not by our own doing. So, our voucher has been a means of not being homeless."

Rochelle Squire (Windsor Mills, MD):

"I'm a single mother of three disabled children! If I was able to work a full-time job to afford rent, I would! But there's no way I would be able to work a 9-5 and take care of my disabled children. Please keep the program as it is because it's families like mine who rely on it. We are all not lazy!"

Tyesha Everett (Baltimore, MD):

"Please do not interfere with the budgets or regulations. There are so many families that desperately need this assistance."

Briana Hicks (Odenton, MD):

"I'm a single mom I've been on the voucher program for about 6 years now. Honestly this has saved me over the years. I don't make the cost of living where I work so without this voucher, I wouldn't be able to survive. This helps me keep a reliable roof over my daughter's head and mine as well."

Lashawn Hughes (Baltimore, MD):

"This program and voucher help me and my family live in a better community. It also helps me while I'm in college to give me and my family a better life. My children have a better education based off the school and environment as well."

Tiffany Miller (Ellicott City, MD):

"My daughter has special needs living in Howard County. Through this voucher, so many doors and opportunities have opened and I'm so grateful. Without BRHP I wouldn't be able to give my daughter the life she deserves and needs."

Tyisha Letterlough (Havre De Grace, MD):

"I have a family of 7 including myself that depends on me. It would be devastating if you guys would force us out of our homes that we work so hard to keep in order for us to stay away from areas that are not as opportunity rich or safe."

Kisha Bailey (Pikesville, MD):

"This housing program has allowed me and my sons to have better opportunities for work, school, and resources. Please don't take it away. A lot of us have nowhere to go and will be homeless. I worked hard to get where I am for me and my sons. This is not fair."

Tiffany Keeling (Cockeysville, MD):

"To whom this may concern, my family and I are examples of how wonderful this program is. Without this housing program, I wouldn't be able to attend school to better my financial future. My family and I are truly thankful."

Ebony Ferguson (Aberdeen, MD):

"Please protect housing assistance. Time limits and strict work requirements harm families, seniors, and people with disabilities. Housing is a basic need. Keep programs fair, stable, and supportive for those working toward stability. Many people will end up homeless if this passes, which is unfair and inhumane."

Rosetta Smith (Nottingham, MD):

"Currently, I am an elderly and disabled recipient of BRHP who depends on this housing program to keep a roof over my head and to continue in this race."

Mia Pevie (Middle River, MD):

"I would like to oppose the work requirements and time limits because being a disabled single mom; it is very challenging to find work in a timely fashion. And through my experience, even though jobs tell you that they are equal opportunity employers, I find that to be untrue."

Shantavia Hart-Green (Columbia, MD):

"My family and I are about to finally live in an area that is safe and healthy; without the house voucher we would not be in a safe neighborhood."

Vernadette Harris (Elkridge, MD):

"Please be considerate when it comes to housing changes. It's a lot of us that work and can't afford decent housing without help from the government."

Chanita Manning (Odenton, MD):

"I'm mom of 6 kids and we need that housing support. Without it, me and my family would be homeless and have nowhere to go with such little income. We will not make it without this housing program."

Shantia Harris (Randallstown, MD):

"Everyone is not as fortunate due to unforeseen circumstances in life. It is hard to gain employment, as well as the lack of job opportunities that are available no matter how hard we try. This doesn't even include the difficulty of finding trustworthy childcare. These changes would increase our stress as parents."

Danielle Watson (Glen Burnie, MD):

"The housing program allows hard working moms like me who don't make enough money to cover the rent with our own income alone to provide safe environments to raise beautiful children who will grow up and be productive citizens that will contribute to the communities that they live in."

Denise Carter (Hanover, MD):

"People need this help from the government because everything is so high and unaffordable. Stop making it harder to access."

Tahaisha Williams (Reisterstown, MD):

"I don't understand why they wanting to destroy democracy, but I do know God is with those of us who keep the faith and fight with honor and respect for one another. Thank you to all the incredible people at BRHP and HUD who have helped me for the last 17 years."

Tiffany Campbell (Elkridge, MD):

"I'm asking you to please reconsider these changes due to families like my own who depend on help from the housing program. Most of us are single parents with children and its hard times. We need help and support. I know that me and other families will be on the streets if the program shuts down or cuts access."

Christina Johnson (Columbia, MD):

"This program helps millions of us avoid becoming homeless. I work hard every day. I'm not at home all day without a job. I go to school and work to provide for my four children. This program has been a blessing for us. I do not make enough money to rent a place on my own. Jobs just don't pay enough."

Sheryl Brown (Middle River, MD):

"I've emailed both my congressman as well as my senator and district attorney on this issue. I'm praying they will not cut funding to this program or add new requirements."

Wanda Bailey (Baltimore, MD):

"I look forward hopefully that this program continues. It's a good program and it helps me because I'm disabled living on a monthly income. That's not very much. I'm struggling, so I hope for myself and many others that these changes are not passed."

Teresa Thompson (Baltimore, MD):

"I am a Housing Choice Voucher participant and without this opportunity I would be homeless. I am an example of why this program is important."

Andre Redd (Reisterstown, MD):

"We depend on our housing vouchers because we get a very small income. Please don't make cuts to this program."

Tierra Tyler (Rosedale, MD):

"These changes will definitely affect my daughters and me. If this passes, we will lose our home that we have grown accustomed to."

Brittany Dawson (Parkville, MD):

"I am one who definitely cannot do without my housing voucher. I have been dealing with health problems for years and unbeknownst to me it's gotten worse. I am unable to work due to my frequent hospital and clinic visits, but I also have 4 children to care for along with my disabled uncle with no help."

Alexandria Slater (Columbia, MD):

"I'm a single mother of 5 kids (4 under the age 6) and it's already hard being a stay-at-home mom trying to maintain my income and daily needs for me and my kids to live. Time limits on my voucher will put me and my kids in an inhumane situation. I can't afford to live in our current home or keep my kids in their schools without HUD."

Jessica Heard (Ellicott City, MD):

"No one can predict future finance. Limits on vouchers will not help the economy. Please reconsider and don't slash the program. Everyone in the country is losing their jobs and needs help. This is not good timing for stricter requirements."

Danae Green (Elkridge, MD):

"Please protect your citizens, these programs help a lot of families have a chance to survive in this economy! Keep protecting your citizens!"

Timiera Cooley (Nottingham, MD):

"We don't need to change this program, I think it should stay as it is for people who definitely need it like myself. I am a disabled person with two young children who are my dependents. The voucher helps me to provide a home in a positive environment for myself and my children."

Elladreamer Veney (Forney, TX):

"Without the HCV program, I would not be able to have a safe, reliable, habitable home. My disability and age affect me from being able to work. I would not be able to have a decent affordable home with no extra restrictions. Please help us elderly and disabled Americans keep our home. Thank you."

Shanea Murray (Baltimore, MD):

"I am a single mom of 2, (boy and a girl 10 and 2). My 10-year-old has Tourette's syndrome and the worst thing about that is he has seizures. What triggers his seizures is stress. Please allow us to keep our housing because if not we will be homeless and my children will suffer the consequences. Thank you for understanding."

Ronald Hart (Towson, MD):

"I am a disabled 63-year-old veteran. I wish I could work, but I can't. I depend on these programs."

Kadrea Passley (Baltimore, MD):

"I strongly oppose the implementation of work requirements and time limits for Housing Choice Voucher recipients. These proposals undermine the core purpose of the program to provide safe, stable, and affordable housing for individuals and families in need. Housing is a basic human right, and access to housing is a must."

Dara Moore (Nottingham, MD):

"The housing voucher has allowed me to move into a better living environment for me and my kids. We now have access to better neighborhoods, grocery stores,

education and parks. If this program ends or has a time limit put into place, the homeless population will increase tremendously."

Clarise Cornish (Baltimore, MD):

"This program is a need for my family. It helps me provide a stable place for my child. If they start putting time limits on this program, it will push more people into unstable housing or homelessness."

Elissia Greene (Ellicott City, MD):

"I am on a fixed income, so my family and I really do need our rental assistance voucher to stay as it is. Thank you."

Sharniqua Tindall (Owings Mills, MD):

"I think something needs to be set in place to help people become homeowners before people lose their assistance with time limits. It still will be hard for them; today's income is not enough to live off."

Pincia Conway (Owings Mills, MD):

"I agree with the enclosed documentation rejecting work requirements and time limits on the HCV program."

Rhonda Friedman (Baltimore, MD):

"I oppose work requirements and time limits for housing vouchers. Stable housing is essential for finding and keeping work. These rules punish vulnerable families, increase homelessness, and ignore real barriers like childcare, health, and discrimination."

LaQuana Morgan (Reisterstown, MD):

"My name is LaQuana Morgan and I am a rental assistant participant. I solely rely on Social Security Disability checks monthly. I am a single woman, and I don't not work anymore because of my Multiple Sclerosis Disorder I've been battling since 2014. These new requirements would make my life incredibly hard."

Stacey Reed (Ellicott City, MD):

"I've obtained my 1st college degree with the help of BRHP's housing assistance. I originally lost my job due to a work-related injury. My 8-year-old son and I were in crisis with no way to pay rent or live. BRHP saved us. We now live in an opportunity area, both having disabilities, we're thriving with a better life."

Nakiya Dula (Catonsville, MD):

"Every American citizen deserves housing and/or support to become financially stable."

Kimberly Harrington (Severn, MD):

"We need this program, and if it's taken away, life as we know it would be turned upside down. We reject these proposed changes."

Vashtied Parrish (Columbia, MD):

"I oppose the time limits and requirements due to payments and time. A lot of us can only work certain hours (like me) due to medical reasons. If I can't receive help from the government, it would put me and my son in jeopardy of being homeless. I Don't have help from family."

Shatasia Skipwith (Dundalk, MD):

"My name is Shatasia and I'm a voucher holder. This program has helped me and my children in many ways. It helped them be safe in our area, while having a happy life. Rent is very high for singles moms with little or no support. I already work full-time with no food stamps and still can't afford to live. Making more requirements would do more damage."

Sikya Owens (Ellicott City, MD):

"Everyone's situation is different. Imposing a time frame so suddenly, without any resource or assistance would result in thousands of families being permanently displaced. There should be a rent-to-own or home buying assistance transitioning phase while exiting the program."

Shatoyia Brown (Severn, MD):

"The cost of living is too high, and I work a good job. If I didn't have a voucher, I wouldn't meet the income requirements. Second, 2 years isn't enough time to

become financially stable, because children need more time to adjust to the school area and more. Please take our family needs into consideration. Thank you, blessings to you."

MyRhonda Dixon (Dundalk, MD):

"This housing program is changing my life. I strongly need and appreciate this program. Any changes would make it harder for me to thrive."

April Williams (Essex, MD):

"I do not encourage adding work requirements or time limits to housing vouchers, as they could punish those facing barriers like health issues, childcare, or limited jobs. Many recipients already work, and these rules risk increasing homelessness and undermining housing stability."

Janet Walker (Ellicott City, MD):

"I need to keep my voucher. I have always kept a job, but I still need help. Rent is very high and still going up, along with the economy. I only have one income in my household. We need to protect everything about this program."

Joanna Booker (Windsor Mills, MD):

"As American citizens, we understand the idea of independence, and even with subsidies, my fellow citizens and I strive to reach that goal. Yes, it may be true that some of us have had it for years, but we work hard every day and strive for better. The fact is that the cost of living continues to rise and we are struggling."

Lashey Powell (Columbia, MD):

"I just hope they will allow us to continue to help and feed our children. The housing voucher helps me so much more than people may know. I'm highly blessed to have a voucher and assistance."

Cassandra McDonald (Columbia, MD):

"BRHP is a very much needed program for families who are not as fortunate as other families. BRHP has been and still is an excellent source of income that keeps families from living on the streets of Maryland. Just imagine if that program or any other

housing program is taken away or drastically changed. The impacts would be felt all over."

Betty Williams (Columbia, MD):

"I worked so hard all of my life. And being a single parent, I've raised the smartest, loving, independent kids. They watched me work hard for many years, so laziness isn't applicable to us. Having a Housing Choice Voucher helped me out tremendously. Please protect it and keep it as it is."

Charnise Kesler (Ellicott City, MD):

"Housing is the foundation for stability. These proposals will punish families for circumstances beyond their control like job cuts, illness, or caregiving responsibilities. It will push more people into homelessness. Many voucher recipients already work or provide essential unpaid care."

Teara Gilliam (Elkridge, MD):

"I need my housing assistance. I have 5 beautiful kids, and I would hate to be homeless with me kids. This program helps me raise productive kids and give them opportunities they would've never had."

Krystal Kiser (Hanover, MD):

"I rely on the Housing Choice Voucher program to keep a safe roof over my head. Because of financial struggles, strict work requirements or time limits would put me and my family at serious risk of losing our home. Stable housing is the foundation I need to work, care for my family, and improve my life."

Dartisha Howard (Baltimore, MD):

"This housing voucher program is needed by so many people. If you put a time limit on it, it will be more harmful than it benefits, so please don't do this."

Tiffany Veal (Rosedale, MD):

"How can we make a house a home if we have a time limit? Please don't do this to our families."

Miesha Baker (Baltimore, MD):

"The housing voucher saved me from homelessness. Since receiving it, I've been able to work, care for my children, earn certifications, and return to school. It's given us access to safe communities and opportunities that have truly changed our lives for the better. We oppose these changes."

Sharon Holloway (Baltimore, MD):

"It took me a while to finally get stable housing for me and my kids. This opportunity has not only given me less stress but has also put me in a position to secure a better future for my family. We need to preserve the program as much as we can."

Corrina Sabedra (Ellicott City, MD):

"Work requirements and time limits harm people with disabilities on SSDI/SSI. Rents are high, benefits are low, and working can worsen health or cut benefits. Yet, our income is still too low to afford "affordable" housing."

Donetta Wagner (Parkville, MD):

"I have a question more than a comment. If residents lose their housing voucher will there be something in place to help the residents find a new home? Or are we going to have to fend for ourselves?"

Paris Gibson (Baltimore, MD):

"It is programs like this that help to provide stability for single working moms like me. Even with two degrees and experience, it has been a challenge to secure a decent paying job. This program has been my greatest support in the process."

Imani Jenkins (Belcamp, MD):

"So many women out here need help such as me. Housing assistance needs are the most important, especially if you're a single parent with children."

Abdi Elliott (Nottingham, MD):

"This would be detrimental to the lives of many families and can cause great harm to society as a whole. Please do not allow these changes to happen."

Sabria Hicks (Middle River, MD):

"I have had a horrible upbringing, and life for me and kids was horrible as well. But the moment I was blessed with the opportunity for help with housing me and kids' lives have been so much better and easier. I feel as though people like me need this assistance, especially with children. We cannot afford any more requirements to housing access."

Nicole Smith (Columbia, MD):

"Please save housing programs! They help families stay together, improve living conditions, maintain jobs, and ease financial stress. Without them, many more people could be homeless."

Tikeria Hill (Towson, MD):

"Some of us really take advantage of and use this program to grow and do better in life. These proposed changes could really cause the economy to fall. It's already hard to survive now with kids and nearly no help. If we make it harder to receive help, more families will be homeless."

Alana Howard (Perry Hall, MD):

"Work requirements and time limits disproportionately harm vulnerable groups, including people with disabilities, seniors, and single parents. These policies are blunt tools that ignore individual circumstances and often result in people losing their homes through no fault of their own."

Sandra Gray (Elkridge, MD):

"I have been injured on the job working for the post office. Now I'm on worker's compensation and only getting 3/4 of my pay. So, if it wasn't for housing I would be put out on the street right now. I need this housing program to stay the same."

Dominique Warner (Ellicott City, MD):

"Imposing time limits for the housing voucher program would put people in jeopardy of not being able to sustain or maintain stable housing. This could very much increase homelessness in our nation, which is completely contrary to the overall goal of assisting individuals with gaining independence."

April Sims-Lewis (Nottingham, MD):

"Housing assistance is very much needed. These programs help families stay afloat. These programs help families become self-sustaining. Time is needed and two years is not enough. Families with disabilities may not or cannot support their family without these programs. Please reconsider. Thank you."

Chinye Thompson (Essex, MD):

"I'm a mother of two, and one has autism. My voucher gives us stable housing while I earn my bachelor's degree. A time limit could force me to drop out, taking away my chance to become self-sufficient and give my children the secure future they deserve."

Yvonne Redmond (Cockeysville, MD):

"There is a need for affordable housing due to inflation and employment cuts. People need to be safe without time limits or requirements. Mental health concerns are also on the rise because people just can't cope with the cost of living. This is a serious issue."

Nakear Frazier (Savage, MD):

"Please do not place work requirements and time limits on housing vouchers. Cost of living in Maryland is high, and people have to work two and three jobs already just to pay rent these days."

Denita Watts (Middle River, MD):

"Please vote against the decision to cut funding from housing voucher programs that support and provide affordable housing for millions of families. I am a single mom raising 2 teenager honor students that rely on these programs until I can purchase a home."

Tangela Toro (Baltimore, MD):

"The BRHP housing voucher has allowed me, a single mom, to maintain stable housing, live in a safe neighborhood, access quality schools for my boys, and successfully complete my nursing program. Please continue this vital support and reject the work requirements and time limits."

Shantrice Thompson (Essex, MD):

"Please don't alter housing programs. If they take our housing, me and my children will be homeless."

Akila Johnson (Owings Mills, MD):

"So many families on this program already work but still need the assistance that this program provides. Adding work requirements and time limits would be very disruptive to our families and there would be a lack of housing stability. Our families deserve to be stable and thrive without fear!"

Ashley Allen (Baltimore, MD):

"Please fund this program. I am a single mom with 2 kids. It is hard finding employment that can provide me 3x the rent to pay for housing for my children. Requirements wouldn't help me. Please think of the families and children who desperately need it."

Quachelle Temple (Columbia, MD):

"I don't agree with these changes, as this will only increase homelessness. Some jobs are hard to come by and hard to hold on to."

Falesa McCall (Ellicott City, MD):

"I am a participant of the Baltimore Regional Housing Partnership voucher program. I'm a single disabled senior who has no other means of support. I am very grateful for all of the support from this program, and I hope that it remains the same."

Terra Eggleston (Baltimore, MD):

"We need our housing."

Chelsea Brown (Belcamp, MD):

"Work requirements and time limits disproportionately harm people who are already struggling, like people with disabilities, seniors, low-wage workers, and parents with young children, who may already face barriers to employment. Penalizing them with home loss only deepens their hardships."

Arica Fullard (Dundalk, MD):

"I just received my voucher in 2025, and I've been waiting for over 20 years. I did everything I was supposed to do and just to have the voucher for two years is not enough time to help change or improve my life. I also had a baby at the age of 42 and can't work like I used to."

Dana Turnage (Columbia, MD):

"These changes could possibly make me homeless. Please have some compassion."

Chantia Woodrup (Nottingham, MD):

"I'm a hardworking mother of an 8-year-old who relies on a housing voucher for a safe, stable home. Limiting this support would worsen homelessness and harm families like mine. Housing stability helps us work toward better lives. I strongly oppose these changes."

Kiara Collins (Owings Mills, MD):

"The proposed work requirements and time limits on housing vouchers would disproportionately impact vulnerable individuals and families, particularly seniors, disabled individuals, single parents, and those recovering from health issues."

Marlene Brown (Baltimore, MD):

"I feel as though without this program there would be more homelessness and more crime. Without this program, it will bring devastation among me and my family and other families."

Brittney Green (Baltimore, MD):

"Families need this program to stay the way it has always been. Please don't take this great help from us."

Winter Cromer (Columbia, MD):

"These changes would be cruel. Even though most voucher holders are already working, we still can't afford the rent in today's times. Not including the rise in food, gas, and electricity with everyday expenses."

Cecelia Coles (Elkridge, MD):

"Some program participants have disabled family members in their household and that can make it difficult for them to work. There should be no time frame of being on the program, a timeframe will do more harm than good. The program helps low-income families to stay above water."

Aretha Anderson (Perry Hall, MD):

"I will say I'm a housing participant and the Housing Choice Voucher saved myself and my children's lives. I have the best opportunities for myself and children, I have access to a better area and schools. It's an overall better environment, and it's been such a positive experience the opportunity has been great! It would be a huge shame to have such drastic changes made to our vouchers."

Kendra Bumbray (Towson, MD):

"This program has helped families afford housing in a climate where the cost of living is excessively expensive."

Kimberly Williams (Nottingham, MD):

"A lot of good people utilize the housing program. These are people who are working, caring for their family, and are good tenants who take care of their units. These cuts will increase eviction and homelessness, which we already have a problem with. Not to mention the increase in crime that this creates."

Autumn Stevens (Glen Burnie, MD):

"I am a 22-year-old single mother of 2 young children. One is 2 years old and the other is 8 months old. In the past 2 years I've lost my mom, my uncle and my grandparents. I pretty much have no family or support or even childcare. So, without my housing voucher, me and my children would be homeless. We need to protect everything about this program."

Alannah Johnson (Baltimore, MD):

"This should not even be in question for families to lose their housing opportunities, having housing should be a priority! Please do not take away the housing funding or change the requirements, as we really depend on it for comfortable living."

Taja Joyner (Baltimore, MD):

"I have three young daughters that I provide for. This housing program is and was our saving grace. It helps me provide a stable home for my girls that I wasn't afforded as a child. So, this program helped me break generational curses and I really need it to stay intact without time limits."

Jakeya Fulton (Parkville, MD):

"These proposed policy changes would have a devastating impact on individuals and families who rely on housing vouchers to keep a roof over their heads. Affordable housing is a fundamental human right, and these proposed cuts would jeopardize that right for thousands of individuals and families."

Tyterra Barrett (Ellicott City, MD):

"Taking away the program away would cause so much dismay for families all over. The program has not just helped with housing but with better locations, better schools, and most importantly, better healthcare."

Brittany Johnson (Baltimore, MD):

"It's ridiculous to offer a time limit when housing in general is sky high. I'm a single mom and I work full-time for the state of Maryland. I still need assistance. If you change the laws for work requirement and time limits, please make sure you lower the rents and mortgage to make it affordable to transition."

Keonte Wilson (Severn, MD):

"I would like to say that I am a single mother of three and this housing voucher helps me tremendously. Two out of three of my children have severe illnesses and this voucher helps me with extra help that I need to pay for medicine and care they need."

Nikeyia Hopkins (Parkville, MD):

"Please help our families and communities keep safe with this program. We are already struggling to make ends meet! This would be very devastating to lose housing for millions of Americans families who really depend on this."

Christie Melton (Laurel, MD):

"Because of HCV, I work, raise 3 daughters in a safe home, and pursue my master's degree. Without it, we'd face unsafe, overcrowded housing. Time limits/work rules ignore low wages, high costs, and disability barriers. HCV breaks poverty cycles, so don't take that chance away."

Onaka Rose (Owings Mills, MD):

"I'm currently disabled and I can't afford to lose my voucher; I can barely afford my medication so I would be homeless. Putting a time limit on when I recover or when I must start working again, would be detrimental."

Zanika Deshields (Nottingham, MD):

"Please do not add any additional restrictions on housing, this will hurt families like mine. I currently have epilepsy from abuse. I am unable to work based on my disability however, I have worked since 15 yrs old. This type of requirement would make my family and I homeless."

Antonio Crawford (Glen Burnie, MD):

"Both my wife and I are disabled and fighting for Social Security. Even if we were able to work, we are well into our 40's and do not have the education or job training to pay full market rent in this economy."

Stephanie Mills (Baltimore, MD):

"I am a current student working 2 jobs with serious medical problems. These requirements would only hurt people like me who are trying to become independent enough to survive on their own."

Shermere Thompson (Columbia, MD):

"There are millions of us that rely on vouchers to sustain a better way of living for us and our children who normally wouldn't be able to afford to live in a safe neighborhood."

Kourtney Lewis (Baltimore, MD):

"Housing helps me stay afloat. The economy is in its worst state. I work a full-time job already and have nothing to show for it. My housing assistance helps me be at peace."

Brittany Brown (Windsor Mill, MD):

"We have a lot of single mothers who are trying to find affordable living. This program helps them find that, put their families in better neighborhoods, give their children better education and more. I do not think it should be a time limit."

Ebony McClenny (Middle River, MD):

"Many families rely on housing vouchers. Not because they want to but because they need to. A lot of families don't make enough money to provide basic needs let alone pay full rent. This is a need that helps many families make ends meet."

Reyohna Mason (Baltimore, MD):

"A lot of us on the voucher program already work and just can't afford the market value rent. Two years is not enough to even afford life right now. We are all struggling, especially with jobs that don't pay enough. I'm living paycheck to paycheck and in 2026 it will be the same if not worse; there is no job security."

Tia White (Dundalk, MD):

"I really think that the federal government should still fund housing for many of us low-income families because it helps us afford the cost of living and it helps us keep our families sheltered and safe as possible."

Nicole Jeanpaul (Glen Burnie, MD):

"Please continue to fully fund housing vouchers."