



Dear Habitat for Humanity of Southern Santa Barbara County Supporters,

We are contacting you again with a virtual opportunity to make a difference through supporting housing stability advocacy efforts. As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact communities throughout California, many families within the U.S. are vulnerable to both a health and economic crisis. The longer it goes on, the more this pandemic also becomes a housing emergency both nationally and also in Santa Barbara County.

We are grateful to Congress for their rapid work to provide economic relief for families and businesses, but much more is needed. More than 18 million families in the U.S. pay half or more of their income on housing, leaving little or no margin for lost income or increased health costs. Many of those families are facing additional economic hardship from lost wages or layoffs and are now confronted with impossible choices between trying to pay their rent or mortgage and life's other essentials. In our community, we are already seeing the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on our local economy and health care system. Now is the time to urge your federal leaders to prioritize resources that promote housing stability and the organizations who serve our communities.

You can support Habitat Santa Barbara by clicking the link [here](#) and reaching out to our policymakers today!

Raise your voice now to tell Congress to act for housing stability--and your efforts don't have to stop there! Share the message below on social media.

Join me in calling on #Congress to prioritize protections that provide #Relief4Charities and ensure everyone has a stable place to call home during these uncertain times.

Thank you for your support and please let us know if you have any questions.

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