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RE: Testimony for Bill to Support the Homeless

To Whom It May Concern:

HSH Homeless Ministry was established in 2010 by concerned members of the community. At this time there was no services available for the homeless in Independence, Kansas and Montgomery County. We have five houses which are used by men, women, families, and veterans. To date we have served over 900 clients. In 2023 we opened Indy Resource Center to provide a place for the homeless to wash clothes and bath along with a hot meal.

HSH does much more than house our clients. We provide mentoring for the clients to help sustain employment and permanent housing. Then we help with setting up their new living arrangements by obtaining household goods. Some of the challenges our clients face is driver license or identity card replacement. We make sure their health needs are addressed.

This organization is currently funded by donations and several small grants. In order to sustain and expand our services to the homeless, HSH needs additional operating funds.

So, we are very much in favor of the bill to help the homeless. This bill would allow HSH to meet cooperating budget needs and expand our services in the future.

Thank you for considering these funds.

If I am on the Zoom call tomorrow. I will ask Chris Mitichell our COO to join by phone.

Sincerely,

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