

Committee Chairman
Human Service Appropriation Committee

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We, Michael and Elaine Gordon, are writing this letter on behalf of the PACT Program.

We have a son, Tobias, who lives in Helena and has been involved, with PACT for approximately two years. The PACT program, consisting of team members, has been very beneficial to our son. They are providing independent living skills that allow Tobias to live and stay in the community of Helena.

Some examples of their assistance are taking him grocery shopping when necessary, providing transportation when needed, medication dispensing and monitoring, and housing assistance if needed. They also provide a social outlet facility, help him with doctor visits and provide personal contacts from a team member.

Speaking from our observations, we do hope that the PACT Program will get the required funding to continue. We also hope that the PACT program be implemented in other cities throughout Montana. We feel that the PACT Program has assisted many people that would otherwise be homeless. This is a very positive and necessary program for many that do not have the recourse of private help.

Sincerely,
Michael and Elaine Gordon
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