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Hi,

I am a 40 year old paraplegic woman, I became injured at age 28. Since my injury, I have gone to graduate school and I now work as an occupational therapist full time. I make a decent wage but still am having difficulty saving money and affording to live to due the medial expenses I have. I maintain medicare and my work's private insurance, paying for both of those insurances, with the cost of medications, catheters, therapy, doctors appointments on top of that cost. My medical costs are "crippling" me. I am fortunate that I am a disabled person that is able to maintain a full time job, but I feel like I still can't get financially secure due to medical bills. This bill would absolutely change my life, allowing me to take some of that money I spend medical costs and put it towards housing.