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Home purchase IDA opened in 2023

"Won an affordable housing lottery for low income workforce of deschutes county right after starting mental health treatments and the only way I was able to buy a home was with the assistance of this IDA program. I never would have been able to save enough money for closing costs without it. It's completely changed my mindset and has given me so much hope for the future.

This means financial stability is a possibility now when I've never dared to hope for it. I actually have real plans to go back to school to become a nurse because I have a stable housing situation. I will be able to bring my mom into housing stability as well, as she has also been a renter all her life. I am able to be a safety net for other as they have done for me in the past. It has truly changed everything for me and I cannot be more grateful!

It has brought complete stability! Housing, income, relationship wise, and my first savings plan is to refund my emergency fund as it has been getting drained every year or so from having to move from so many different reasons. The possibilities suddenly became endless. I feel so fortunate to live in Oregon and that I have had these resources available to me exactly when I needed them. I won't ever forget working with all the amazing people managing everything!"

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