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Hello, and thank you for your time! I have been an AFH provider for 14 years. Being a foster care home provider is extremely rewarding work. Many of our resident have no, or very few, family / friends that visit and we become their family. They are integrated in, and our home becomes a “multigeneration” environment, which we have found to be very uplifting for all the residents. Caring for an additional 1 or 2 residents would make a positive impact to the home as a whole. Residents become friends with other residents and the addition would support more relationships which is vital for the population I serve. Opening up AFH’s to additional residents would also have a positive impact on the housing crisis in Oregon.

Thank you!