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We all need our houses in SACU to stay open to support all our DD/ID individuals is something we've been asking for. SACU needs to operate as a crisis program, which is why it's so important SACU stays at 100%. Staff knows all individuals on a one on one basis. Private community placements have one or 2 staff during the day for 5 individuals. They don't get out of the house as much, or are able to handle PPI's (Oregon Intervention System) like SACU can in our homes because we have 5 to 6 staff in each of our homes to keep everyone safe.

Please do not cut our housing in half! The private community would have so much trouble keeping our individuals safe that that we are getting from our jailed community. Our staff are well-trained in crisis and are very dependable, reliable, and we are recertified every 2 years with other training like CPS and more. **Please keep SACU homes open at 100% and funding at current service level!**