

KEEP MAIN STREET WORKING



We work at the Internet Archive, just one of thousands of companies across America that have benefited from TANF/Emergency Contingency funding.

We are 145 formerly unemployed parents, out of over 100,000 jobs across America funded by this program. We are working today to build a free digital library of 1 million books for every school in America.

We will be unemployed again on Oct 1st, along with 100,000 others unless TANF/ECF is extended.

We want to keep our jobs!

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"Without my job I wouldn't be able to afford medication for my 2 year old daughter." -Yoshi M.

"We have seen our future again. Our life, our hope, our happiness has begun to bloom. Please don't let it wither." -Juandi S.



"This program allows us to pay our bills, spend some money and in turn stimulate the economy." -Ed F.



"Please keep in mind the needs of our families." -Jenny R.



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"Jobs now has given me a sense of purpose, responsibility and stability." -Juana T.



"This job has given me the opportunity to put my oldest child in college." -Geraldine M.



"It will be a nightmare if this is taken away from all of us." -Lynn L.

"There are people that honestly want to work, this program makes it happen." -Erick S.



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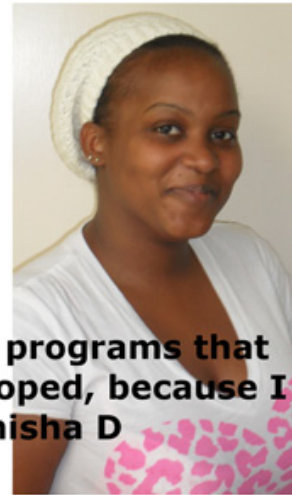
"Last year I struggled to find ways to buy school clothes for my 7 year old son, this year I don't have that problem." -Daniel H.



"My job has helped me be a independent strong woman for my kids and myself." -Athena S.



"All state benefits from programs that were available to me stoped, because I started working." -Romisha D



"It gives me great satisfaction to be able to support my family on my own. Now that I am economically stable My plans are to go back to school and pursue a career."

-Adriana G.



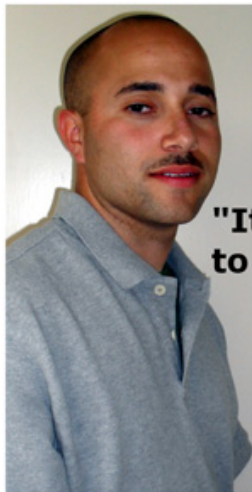
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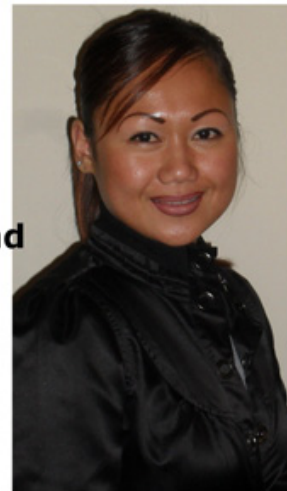
**"Since I started working, my son has a reason to look up to me."
-Simoun S.**

"It gives us a chance to take responsibility, to raise our families and learn new skills that we can carry on to other job opportunities." -Courtney B.



"It's important to keep Jobs Now going in order to help jump start the economy." -Teofilo B.

"I can now buy my kid's new clothes and shoes." -Maria T.



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"My family depends on me for shelter. I don't want my son to suffer from homelessness with me." -Ray K.

"Please look outside of your own family and community, look into other families and communities. This is truly helping us." -Kenny G.



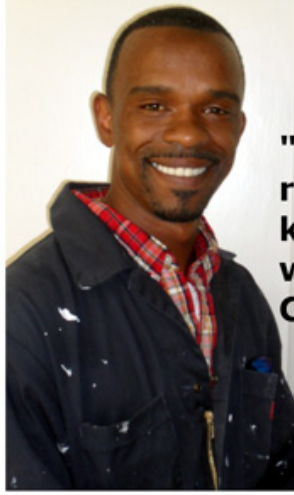
"Without my job me and my kids would be on the streets homeless." -Pollyanna C.

"I need my job so I can continue to support my family." -Xuda L.



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"I didn't know how I was going to pay rent and have a Merry Christmas for my kids. I was hired in mid November, I was able to cover rent and make Christmas possible." -Jermaine S.

"Without the Jobs Now program I wonder where I would be and how would I feed my family." -Alethea B.



"I want my daughter to depend on me for her needs such as school, activities and clothes." -Sokha L.



"This program has given people the chance to prove they do want to work." -Brian G.

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"Jobs Now and Internet Archive are helping me restart my life, catch up on bills, hold my head up within a working society where I can earn my salary." -Venus J.



"Ending this program will put me back on EDD or Cal-works program again." -Elisa R.



**"I am able to buy necessary things for my kids and myself."
-Arnold L.**



**"I was able to pay for my daughters 1st Birthday party."
- Jimmy P.**

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"I was unemployed and homeless. This job has changed me and my childrens lives tremendously." -Agnes F.

"My job helps me pay my bills and keep my head above water. I'm a single dad of a nine year old child." -Eryk J.



"We severly need a little more time while the economy repairs itself." -Peggy I.

"This job has given me more knowledge about computers." -Manuel A.



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"Not only am I off EDD and the Cal-Works program, but I am now a tax paying citizen." -Tracey G.

"Stimulus programs is the best welfare reform for Americans." -Joselyn C.



"This program has helped so many of us stand on our feet again." -Lotu V.

"Jobs Now really helps put America back to work." -Tina A.



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"I raise my 13 year old neice who has a medical condition. I can pay for her co-payments, Lab work and medication to keep her healthy and alive." -April V.

"Jobs Now gives parents a chance to support their kids and not rely on others people's money." -Karla A.



"It made some much-needed income possible for me. I was able to purchase much needed clothes, shoes, a new pair of really good eyeglasses, and medical treatment." -Phillip L.

"This program has given my family and I income and stability." -Alicia D.



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"Unemployment will get significantly worse if Jobs Now is not extended past September 30th, 2010. Thousands of gainfully employed Americans will be put back on the street." -Jason B.

"Thanks to Jobs now I am able to work, pay rent, buy food, medicine and pay bills." -Jose H.



"Extending Jobs Now will help America get out of our economy crisis." -Yvonne W.

"It's very tough raising 3 kids alone. It will be a miracle and a blessing if Jobs Now is extended." -Maria T



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- 1) What were you doing before you got this job? I was working for a company that hadn't had any contracts in a month
- 2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you? It has kept me busy 40 hrs. a week. I have met some amazing people and I have learned a lot more about computers
- 3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.
Before I started working for Internet Archive I didn't know how I was going to pay rent and have a merry Christmas for my kids. Once I was hired in Mid November I was able to cover rent and make Christmas possible
- 4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?
Because of this program I am able to put food on the table for my kids and a couple of toys here and there.

Your name: Jermaine S.

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was unemployed before this job
I was unemployed for almost one year.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

Working for Internet Archive have
Really helped me a lot, I'm able to provide
more for my family and this job upgraded
my work experience.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

There are a few things that stand out, Last year I struggled to find ways to buy school clothes for my 7yr old son, this year I don't have this problem. Also, I've learned a lot about Microsoft.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I would let congress know that this Jobs Now program is what's doing the most positive for Americans that could be out of work, I strongly request for Jobs Now to be extended for another year, I'm Thankful for what Jobs Now have done.

Your name: Daniel Hollie

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Working

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

It has helped me pay for my Home

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

when I paid for my
daughter's 1st Birthday Party

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Please keep me
working

Your name: Jimmy
Priest

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I WAS WORKING PART TIME AT SAFEWAY, AND TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW I WAS GOING TO MAKE MORE INCOME.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

ITS INCREASED MY MONTHLY INCOME AND ALLOWED ME TO SAVE MONEY FOR THE FUTURE.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I WORK SOMETIMES 16HRS IN A DAY, PERSONALLY I FEEL THAT IF I CAN PUSH MYSELF TO DO THAT I KNOW THAT I WILL BE SUCCESSFUL IN WHATEVER I DO.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

THIS PROGRAM HAS BENEFITED A LOT OF PEOPLE, IT IS IMPORTANT TO KEEP JOBS NOW GOING IN ORDER TO HELP JUMPSTART THE ECONOMY.

Your name: TEOFILO BURCIAGA Phone number:

- 1) What were you doing before you got this job? I was working as a temp Receptionist. and a in Home support nurse
- 2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you? it's keeping me employed for the mean time until I get another Receptionist position.
- 3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive. Its keeping me employed helping me pay my bills until I can find me a more permanent position
- 4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be? ~~that Congress could extend it to jobs the~~
~~will become stable and permanent.~~

Your name:

Proche Knight

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

When I came to the United States since 2005 in Summer, I started to take College courses in the City College and finished all the College courses in 2009. I came to the Internet Archive on Nov, 20, 2009. So this is my 1st job in the USA.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job helps me connect the people in American Society and improve my life quality. Also working in the Internet Archive, I can communicate with my co-workers, head of department in English. my spoken English is improving that will influence my life a lot.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I start to pay my bill since I came here because I had been taking class in City College for 3 year. I don't have income depend on my husband. now I can buy food and clothing for my family members and make my family getting a better life.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Extending the Jobs Now program makes America get out off the economy crisis and stimulate American economy quickly.

Your name:

Yvonne

Phone number

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I WAS A MECHANIC FOR AMERICAN AIRLINES
FOR 15 YRS UNTILL I GOT ~~LAYED OFF~~
LAYED OFF

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

IT MADE MY DAUGHTER ATTEND
THE COLLEGE UNIV. SHE WANTED
TO GO TO.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

YES COLLEGE EDUCATION!!!
MAKING MY DAUGHTERS DREAMS
COME TRUE.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

WE NEED FUTURE LEADERS IN THIS
COUNTRY TO BE SMART. SOME KIDS
CANNOT GO TO COLLEGE BECAUSE OF
NO JOBS - PARENTS CAN DEPEND ON
JOBS NOW TO MAKE SURE THEIR KIDS STAY
IN SCHOOL

Your name:

Phone number:

DENY CARVAJAL

- 1) What were you doing before you got this job?

WORKED FOR WOMENS SHOE DEPARTMENT FOR 3 YEARS. I WAS LAYED OFF IN NOVEMBER 2009, I FOUND JOBSNOW SF AND GOT HIRED AT THE INTERNET ARCHIVE IN FEB 2010.

- 2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

THE INTERNET ARCHIVE IS A GREAT COMPANY. IT HELPS ME PAY MY BILLS AND KEEP MY HEAD ABOVE WATER. I'M A SINGLE DAD OF A NINE YEAR OLD CHILD.

- 3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I'M A MUSIC ARTIST IN MY "REAL LIFE" SO GETTING TO WORK WITH LONG PLAY RECORDS IS LIKE THE PERFECT JOB FOR ME. OUR FOUNDER IS AWESOME.

- 4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

WE ALL NEED THIS JOBSNOW PROGRAM TO FEED OUR KIDS. PLEASE HELP US STAY EMPLOYED.

Your name:

ERYK JACKSON

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I lose my job that give me help on my expense. so I have to look for job, I need to ask friend to help. everyday just need to find money. My previous job was gone because they got no money to hire me.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

Yes, this job help me a lot because I am able to keep my daily expense. ~~Most important I have money for food and don't need depend on government help.~~

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

After I have job with I.A. I experience my contribution and help to this company can give a lot of benefit to my son in future because he can see a lot of book. Most important I am able to pay^{rent} and don't need to get evicton and become homeless. I have money to buy food too. I am able to buy good book for my son's education.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Please give me a chance to feed my family. My family depend on me for food and place to stay. please give son a better ~~chance~~ future and I don't my son suffer from homeless with me and no healthy food to eat.

Your name: Ray Kwa

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Helping care my grandma and go school.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

Help me pay bills / buy clothes for my daughter
Help my parent with food and etc.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I learned how to scanned microfilm/books.
Saved money for my daughter college fund.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Don't want to be jobless anymore
and want my daughter to depend on
me for her needs for school / activities / clothes.
Please Congress stretch ^{extended} jobs now for another
year really save me and family.

Your name: Sokha Lao

Phone number

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Unemployed for the time being and on Calworks

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

As a single parent, it helps me financially and it builds up my self-esteem. Somehow, it gives me hope for a better future for me and my kids. It makes a difference to wake up in the morning and know ~~that~~ that I will not have an idle day, that I will go to work and be useful and my kids will be happy to know that I'm happy all day!

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

① Last May 2010, my son got 4.0 GPA and the school recommended him to be part of Outreach Program in Nicaragua. Without this job I don't think my son will pursue his dream to go out of state. With the help of this job income, it covers my financial hardship I be able to send my son and take care of the travel expenses on his trip. ② And school starts again, with the salary I make it helps a lot for me to buy the back to school list. ③ It pays my house rent and put food in the table.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Stimulus program is the best welfare reform and I don't want this program to end. I don't wanna be jobless again, and start explaining to my kids "why mama back to welfare and mama will make a way out!" that's disappointing on my kid's part. To many promises will not make them believe that it's gonna work out again. I made my promise to my kids that I will strive hard to keep this job. And I wanna give this message to Congress, as a parent, I wanna stay focus on this job and raised my kids knowing welfare is not the answer. I want

Your name: Joselyn Consa!

Phone number:

my kids to become a better children for them to go to school and not end up in welfare & become homeless, with no future to look forward, Stimulus program is the best welfare reform and Please extend this program, and make it Happen!

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was getting unemployment.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job has all of the above: ① Affected my life by letting me provide for my kids (2 boys 6 & 5 years old) and myself. ② Changed my confidence level to more confident about myself and gave me a better self-worth like I'm doing a job that I can be proud of. ③ helps me because I'm learning skills and work experience.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

When I first told my kids what I do, and how I'm helping making the best Public world library online, and seeing them tell their grandma and mother how proud they were of me.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Please, Please extend this program it's helped me get back on my feet financially and helped me provide for myself & family. And it gives me Self-confidence and Self-worth.

Your name:

Allier Rodriguez

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was a medical Assistant .In a Pediatric Office

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

I has improved my knowledge of cameras and computers.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Being here and having this job has given a sense of safety & to be able to have a steady income that I can use to provide for my children. And not get welfare money that barely helps at all.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

why not extend a program that allows americans the ability to provide for their families.

Also when American citizens do well the economy does well we buy more and are less of a burden on state aid programs.

Your name:

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was going to school.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

help me pay my bills.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

The good experience I had was when i be off work on the weekend it can do more things with my son like going somewhere. or just going to buy him a game it just be the little things that make my son happy.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I need my job to pay my bill. And I need my job to keep me doing something in the time that im working and to get my kids thing when they need them and just to no that i can pay my next bill.

Your name:

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was a stay home mom but I was trying hard to find a job.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job have helped me alot by giving me the ~~experience~~ and I can be ~~independent~~ strong woman for my kids and self.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

The experience of working and helping myself get on my feet and help me pay for birthday gifts and clothes and beds and food.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Please extend this program for all individuals who have or is struggling this helps alot to get people on their feet and feed their kids and pay bills. We are so thankful for this program!

Your name:

Phone number:

Athena Snyder

XOXO

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Unemployed, and unhappy. This program gave me a chance to get back on my feet and provide for my 2 yr. old.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

I gained alot of computer skills.
I also learned alot about microfilm.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I'm happy to say that since I've worked @ Internet Archive all the benefits from programs were available to me stopped, because I started working. I learned how to budget and plan, and better myself as a parent.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I'm very honored to have been apart of this program. It's very hard to provide for a child. This program has helped me more than you know. Even If It doesn't get extended Thanks!!

Your name:

Phone number:

Romisha Dunn

For the opportunity.

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Before this job i wasn't really doing anything searching for work and taking care of my son trying to get a place of my own and a job because calworks wasn't helping.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job has changed my life around for the better im a single mother i needed an income to support my self and son whose 1. this job is helping build skills not only in digital but life skills this is the first real job ive ever had and im very happy to be apart of the archive!

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

This job has made me be able to buy my son more things as in clothes, shoes, hygiene and more before i could still get that but \$560 a month is not enough to live on with that i just got what he needed and paid the little bills i have. Now i can treat my self, put a down payment on an apartment and truly 1 blessing for real.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Everyone wants to be successful but not many people make it to it. Keeping this program going can change the odds of that. why cant everyone live comfortable?

Your name:

Phone number:

Melshaunda Parker

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

* Staying home mom, just had ~~my~~ baby girl. ^{and} at the time I was on Calworks. I volunteer to go ^{and} one of the workshops. ~~when I heard about this the job now through the calwork program~~ that how I found out about jobs now. And at the same time I'm desperate to go back work becaz I know already that welfare money can't enough for my daughter's needs.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

Help alot with my daughter needs not only that we can save money on asides to, with cal welfare. Budget really tight. I'm more to retail. But Learned alot from this job, new stuff, scanned book, microfilm and etc. different from retail. Really affected my life learning new things and helps pay the bills and many more. like not depending on other people family anymore.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Learn alot from internet archive I mentioned in my ^{second question} first answer. But since I work here I get to save money take my family out and do some activities. I also get to take them to great american ~~and~~ movies ~~and~~ ~~and~~ like I say welfare money not enough. 1/2 of that money 4 rent and the ~~other~~ other half stretch ^{it} for the whole month. Luckily if you have family to help you out. that with ~~job now~~ Thank GOD FOR JOBS NOW!! ^{and family that help me out.}

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

This program did alot like saving our ~~maple~~ ^{like} imaging. If jobs now never exist maybe some of us would ended up being homeless people, or even worse. ~~Jobs Now really helps America put america back to work.~~ and I hope you extended for another year we don't wanna be jobless or back on welfare. Thank.

Your name: Tina Afoa

Phone number

7/22/10

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to you about the jobs now program. Because of this program, I have been employed for the past 6 months after a year of unemployment.

I was one of the lucky people who while unemployed was able to continue to pay my rent and feed my child. But because I am an only parent, both my son and I had to forego a lot.

Now that I am working again, I am getting a handle on the bills that piled up and have restored my credit, which is very important because I hope to buy a house sometime in the future and now will be able to qualify for a mortgage.

On an immediate level, I am not an anxious wreck when I spend \$20 to take my son to Toy Story or out for pizza. He is away at sleep-away camp right now for the first time and not only was I able to pay for the camp, but buy him equipment he would need. Although I did think twice about buying hiking boots, a day pack, flippers, goggles and a duffle back, I ultimately decided, because I am now employed through the Job Now program, I could do it.

Please extend this program so I may keep my job, be a productive member of society and a mom who can provide for her son.

Laura Milvy



1) What were you doing before you got this job? Before I got this job I was in a deep depression, until I had to go on medication for it. I worked for Ford Motor Company and was laid off with only 2 wks notice. I lost my home being a single parent after my divorce of 9 years prior, having to leave my home of 10 yrs. Hurtled so bad I sometimes still feel the pain.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you? When I heard about job I now I knew in my heart there was hope for me and my children. Even tho I'm not making what I normally make it's better than nothing or even welfare. I'm grateful for this job, and Ford Motor Company is still closed.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Since I've been working here, I was able to pay off some pressing bills, such as my son's braces which was injected because I couldn't afford to pay the bill every month. I was able to get my car back on the road to get to work, it need a new engine while it sat for almost a year.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

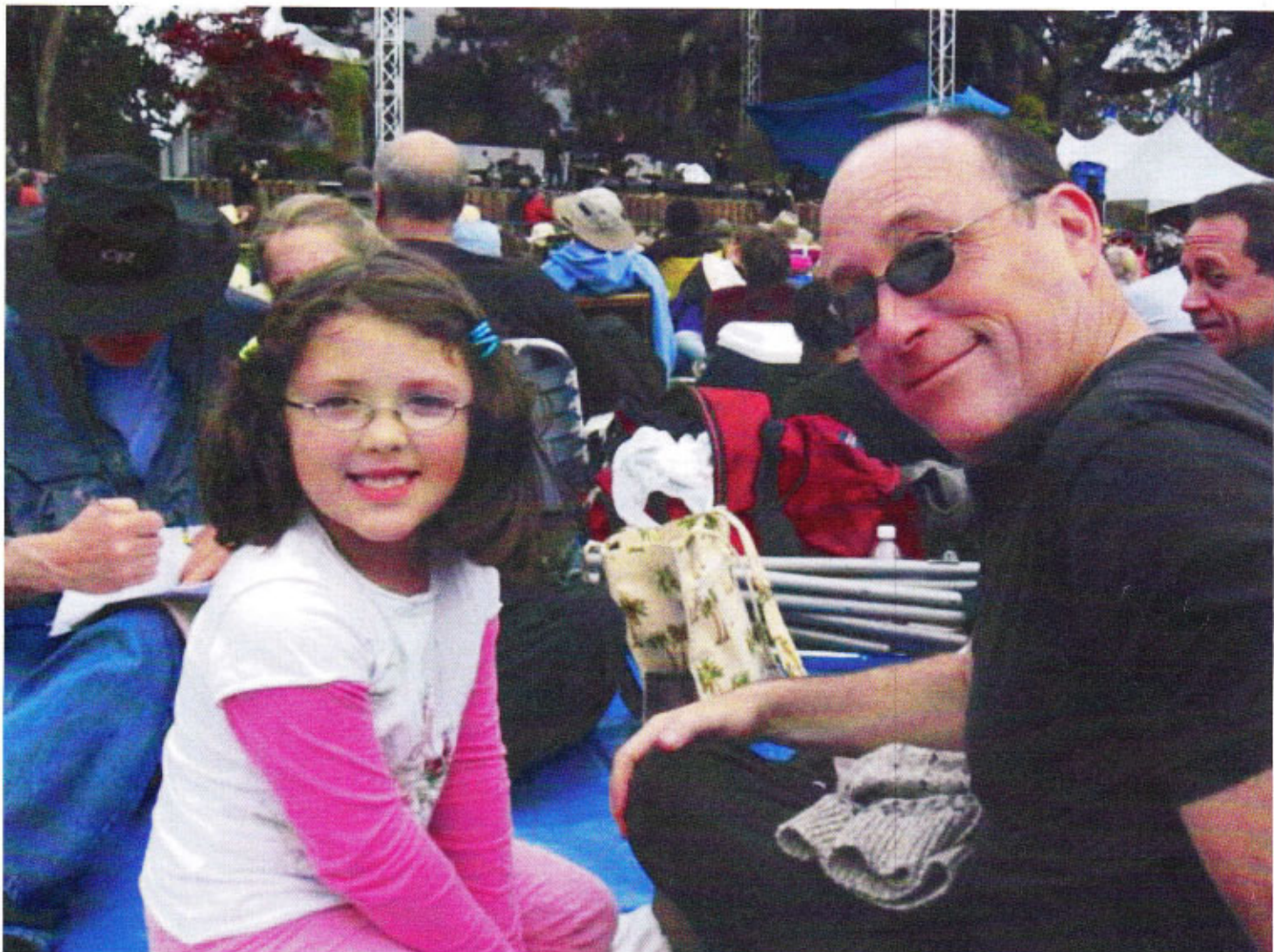
I know this was the best idea anyone could come up with, such as helping other countries. Please don't let this program be in "vain". Pick us up to let us down again, right back where we were, we surely need a lil more time while the economy is repairing itself.

Thanks to all who played a part in making this possible.

Your name:

Peggy Ivy

Phone number:



1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I had been unemployed for over one year. I returned to school to gain new skills and learn new technologies. Even though I had applied for many positions for which I was qualified, I rarely received even a response.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job has not only allowed me to provide for my wife and daughter, it has given me new skills and a sense of contributing to an organization the benefits millions of people all over the country and the world. I have met many new people, made friends and regained a sense of place and purpose.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Quite simple, to be able to look at my daughter every morning and tell her that daddy is going to work has been the most fulfilling experience. To then also be able to help people at work and know that our organization is both used and appreciated by so many people is gratifying.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

JobsNow is the archetype for how a program can actually create jobs, allow people to work and result in civic benefits as a result of that work. There are a lot of very happy people at Internet Archive. They have a sense of purpose and take pride in their work and being able to provide for their families. This is a program that works.

Your name: Jeffrey Kaplan

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was in the company called DAEGIS I was actually doing pretty good but they lay-me-off that's how I got this job.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

Internet Archive help me alot especially after I got lay-off. Especially now it's hard to look for a job so I was very lucky to get this job. It helped me a lot because now I have income coming. It's very hard if you don't have anything it's sad and depressing.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Before I didn't have this job there's a lot of things I can't do especially pay my bills and stuff for my kids I can't provide at least now little by little I'm able to pay some of my bills and get stuff for my children.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

It will be very nice and helpful if they could extend for another year, because it's very tough raising 3 kids on your own especially if you are a single mother. It is very difficult right now, and it will be a miracle and a blessing for me if Internet Archive save another year.

Your name:

Phone number:

MARIA TURLEY

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was working as a bike mechanic before i got this job, im only working 16 hrs./week

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

finally i got a full time job plus a partime job and I.A. pays more than my part time job

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.


I was able to spend time with my kids going to special places here in san francisco and was able to buy necessary things for them and me as well

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Ex tension of the program is a must, it helps a lot and makes life easy

Your name: Arnold S. Lavigan

Phone number:

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- 1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Before I got this job I was in a residential treatment program getting my life back in order by living a sober life.

- 2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job has helped me by being a responsible mother and has changed me by wanting to better myself in all aspects of my life.

- 3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Since working at Internet Archive I have become a more reliable person and I can now be able to send money home to my parents instead of them sending me money. I'm able to connect with family members I haven't talked to in over 10 years.

- 4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

This Program has helped so many of us stand on our feet again and has helped us be more in touch with our loved ones. It has given many of us hope again that we can overcome whatever obstacles we face in life.

Your name: Lotu Tin

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Before I got this job I was working part-time at a daycare and just moving into my own place and taking care of my daughter.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job has helped me a lot with my living situation. I'm able to provide better for my daughter, and I don't have to constantly be worried about my bills or food on the table.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

My standout experience I've had since I started working here was that I was able to buy my living room set (shows I moved in officially) and my daughter doesn't want for anything. I'm able to give her what she needs plus more. I also learned how to do many new things with cameras and the internet, & I could take those skills with me wherever I go.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

My message would be, The Jobs Now program is a great opportunity for people to work, learn, & care for others. It gives others a chance to take responsibility and to raise their families, and learn new skills that they can carry on with themselves to other job opportunities.

Your name: COURTNEY BEACY

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was working in a Hotel but unfortunately I got Two surgeries on the Right knee after I could not go back to do what I was doing at the Hotel.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

As I said above I could not go back to do the work that I was doing. according to the doctor, I have to find another job. I am bless with this Job that I am doing at Internet Archive.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Thank's to this Job I am able to work, able to pay Rent, buy food, medicine, and pay bills. I am able to take my daughter to school and pick her up, and make sure that she do her homework now she is on vacation I am able to take care of her when my wife go to work.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Just use the logic, we are working I know That Jobs now is paying for the job but If we are not going to work we are going to get unemployment and who is going to pay for it. ~~ADD~~ In any way we are going to received money without doing anything. so I rather to be working and Helpfull.

Your name:

Phone number:

Jose Hernandez

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

BEFORE I got this job I was taking care of my 2 kids and at the same time looking for a job to support them.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job had helped me a lot because I would be able to pay all my bills and provide for my family. Without this JOBS NOW program it would be difficult for us.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Since I've been working for this job I can now take my kids anywhere and everywhere they want to go and be able to buy them new outfits, shoes.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Help us keep JOBS NOW program so that way we can keep our job. This job is very important to us because we have kids that we have to provide.

Your name: Maria Jordan Phone number:

- 1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was working for a newspaper company & couldn't do the job anymore.
I tried starting my own business & it cost more capital to run than I had saved.
I looked for other jobs during a bad economic time with no luck until Jobs Now and Internet Archive.

- 2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

Jobs Now and Internet Archive are helping me restart my life, catch up on bills, hold my head up within a working society where I can earn my salary instead of being embarrassed getting a check sitting at home.

I want my son to continue to know that you have to earn your way in life and not to expect to just sit around and have things handed to you.

- 3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I am proud that there is the Jobs Now program to keep families supporting themselves. I think many companies should contribute to such a fund for future betterment of our society. I am here working with Internet Archive, which is contributing to the society by having books available on line, worldwide. I work with men & women of different backgrounds & life experiences with the same goals; to take care of themselves & their families and to take a step into a possibly new career. I also see the family bond here at work with everyone helping each other. This makes me proud and optimistic for future economic situations.

I also had a chance to represent Internet Archive in Washington D.C., in front of the Vice President Joe Biden.

- 4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

The Jobs Now program offers opportunity not laziness. The Jobs Now program offers a chance or 2nd chance for people to get paid training, begin a career or start a new career. This is something that came about at an economic down and I think would have served us well as an economic depression prevention.

Your name: V.I. Jones

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Before I got this job, I was unemployed and ~~a single parent of seven~~ ^{homeless}. I didn't even have a vehicle to drive and commute with.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job changed me and my children's lives tremendously. I was unemployed and homeless. As a single mother of seven I had my hands tied behind my back. My children and I were separated among my family. I always kept my three youngest kids with me. As soon as I got this job, I got a three bedroom apartment which took me two months to save up for.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I'm happy to say me and my children are all together. I have a vehicle that I also saved up for. I'm also able to support my children with what they need. My two oldest children are also working and helping out with the bills. Our home is almost fully furnished.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

My children and I are proof of how good this program is and good use of where the money is going. Without this program I would not have had a home and my two oldest children are going off to college. I myself am returning back to college to finish off my degree. So pls extend this program.

Your name:

Phone number:

AGNES FAARIN

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I had temporary part time electrician job. I worked Korean and Russian small construction companies.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job very helped my family. I like my job. Because this job chose my occupation. (connection with I graduated university.)

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

After I had this my family are very happy.

I can pay my payment such as rent, phone, etc.

Also I have experience work with camera.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I hope this program will be continue. It is will help all people who is participate for social benefit also maybe change live.

Your name: Lamjav Chulsem Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I. working at Chinese Cafe. I was chef.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

I meet more people. know more thing
and learn. help me to know more about
my self.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Since I work at Internet Archive. I have
more work experience. also have money buy
Toy. Food for my kids.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I need a job so I can support my
family.

Your name:

XUda Lee

Phone number:

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1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I WAS WORKING WITH PARAMOUNT VINYL PRODUCTS CORP. (PHILIPPINES). I WORKED AS A COMPUTER GRAPHICS DESIGNER FOR 10 YEARS AND AS A PATTERN-MAKER & ARTIST FOR 20 YEARS, WE USED TO CREATE ARTWORKS FOR PRINTERS.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

THIS JOB CAN GIVE ME MORE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT COMPUTERS.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

EVERYTHING IS FINE, AND EVERYBODY IS FRIENDLY. I'M VERY HAPPY TO WORK WITH THEM.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I HOPE THAT THE INTERNET ARCHIVE WILL GO ON FOREVER.

Your name: MANUEL ANG Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job? *Trying to get
for a job.*

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you? *I + has made me
able to provide my kids with the
things that they need.*

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be? *We need these jobs so that we
could put that money back into
the economy so that we could
all stay afloat.*

Your name:

Phone number:

- 1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Before I got this job I had been layed off for 9 months. I was laid off since 01/09. Before I got this job I was attending school.

- 2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

When I first got this job I started with night shift. 4-12 and would go to school full time 8:30-3:30pm. I hardly ever seen my 2 daughters but I knew in the long run it would pay off. After a couple months I graduated from school and I kept working night shift and later switched to day shift. and realized I can accomplish anything if I put my mind to it.

- 3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

With this job I was able to find a place to live for me and my daughters. A place we can call our own.

- 4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

My message to Congress would be: "Save This Program" Without this program many lives will be affected. it will make everyone go back to square one, UNEMPLOYMENT OR CALWORKS.

Your name:

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I am doing a job search before I got this job.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This job did not affect me but has changed my career to learn something new to help people out there for them to easy access online to read book.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

My experience is to learn how to scan a book and republish. Since I started working here. This job could help me paying my rent and buy something for my kid. Before when I am not working I unable to help the family. I would like to say

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I need my job to support my family in order to help my rent & school supplies for my kids. Please extend job now. Thank you so so much.

Your name:

Phone number:

Hua, Ken Hue

- 1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Before this position, I was a property manager for non-profits, mostly dealing with affordable /public housing. I was also a working union stage actor.

- 2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

My son and I were homeless.

Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I am happy to have a job, and I am happy to be with my son.

- 3) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I didn't want to get on welfare to get a job. I just wanted to work and support my son and me. And to listen to the debate in the news about this program..... I put more money into the economy than I am taking out.

As lowly as congress may think that we are, and as badly as they are treating us by playing this game, or by ending the program at the end of the September, we are a lot better than that.

It just goes to show that the haves will have more, and the have nots will have even less.

I suppose that when all of the house and apartments become empty that we will be able to turn them into jail cells, due to the spike in unemployment, which automatically equals an inflation hike for the working class (pardon me.... Former working class).

Your name:

Phone number:

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1) What were you doing before you got this job?

• Stay at home mother.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

This is my first job since 2007. I have been unemployed for three years until Jobs Now gave me an opportunity to work. I can stop receiving welfare. I can have more financial flexibility. My child can go to school without me having to pay for it. I have a goal that I can finally reach.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I promised my daughter if she could be good while I interview for my current job. I got the job so I bought her a pillow pet that she had been wanting. A single mom on welfare can just ~~survive~~ survive in this economy. A single mom on Jobs Now can now live.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be? The economy is still struggling and the election for Governor is coming up. If they cut us I will be back in the welfare line right along with thousands of other ~~employees~~ Jobs Now employees. Can u give us a notice so I can have my application filled out and turned in cause the line is going to be crazy.

Your name:

Phone number:

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I'm doing volunteer as Administrative Assistant from "Reconcile Center Children youth & Family" and medical assistant at "Physician Access Center" as on call & taking care of my kids.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

It's helped me alot for financial. & learned more about camera & computers. Although I love my EBT assistant but I appreciated alot what we're I have here at this company. With out this job I might be stress how to pay my bills.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Since I started working here, I can take out my kids so often to make them happy & went out to a restaurant & get some yummy food. I bought something nice stuff for them. It's helped alot for my other bills to pay like school loan & some more for their education.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

I would appreciated so much for helping the single mom like me. So I could able to do my best part as a mother to take care my kids & for giving me hope that life is beautiful & free stress.

Your name:

Phone number:

Thank you!

Ma. Evelyn Kwa

1. What were you doing before you got this job?

Before I started working at Internet Archive I was looking for a job and a home for about 8 1/2 months when I first heard about the Jobs Now program enrolled and got a job at the Archive two interviews later!

2. How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

The job has helped me by giving me stability with my income, helped me get an apartment for me and my baby's.

Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

It has helped with being able to spend family time with my babies, indoors and outdoors! I'm now able to take free books home for my babies to read before bed and for school projects! Jobs Now has helped me grow personal and professional as well as socially it has let me meet more working parents like myself!

3. If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

First thank you for the Jobs now and with this program I am now single mom with hope! Now my babies can see that we get up together, eat breakfast together, get out to school and work and all come home together, do homework, have dinner and then get ready for bed all together! They see that we can still be a family! I thank you again for helping me see that I can be a single working mom! Ending this program will put me back on EDD and or on the Cal-Works program again, until I can find work elsewhere, and that is if I can find employment, with the competition being so stiff. I would like to ask that you keep the Jobs Now program going so I can continue to be able to provide a home for my babies! Ending the Jobs Now will put a lot of us single parents out on the street! Please don't let me and my children become homeless again!
Your name: Elisa Rangel

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

Unemployed and
Looking for a job.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

It has helped me by helping my
family keep our house.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I can pay my house note
on time.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

Please look outside of your ^{own} family
and community. Look into other
families and other communities. This
program is helping us.

Your name:

Phone number:

Kenneth Grady

Your name:

Phone number:

Yoshiko S. Mitchell

This Picture is of me & my family
One of thousands that will be affected
by this program ending. Please Keep
the "Jobs Now Program" Going - Thank you.



1) What were you doing before you got this job?

I was working Security at a museum a job that I held for 5 yrs. There was no chance for promotion, and a constant threat of layoffs due to the cities budget crisis.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

My Job at the Archive has helped me sharpen my computer skills and it has also helped me provide for my family.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

Without my Job here at the Archive I would not have been able to Afford medication for my 2yr. old daughter who often gets sick. I was also able to Send my 11yr. old to foot ball camp.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

If I could send a message to Congress it would be: that thousands of people are benefiting from this program in such a positive way. Things will only get better if it continues.

1)

What were you doing before you got this job?

Before I started working at the Internet Archive, I was a dispatcher at a tow truck company. Unfortunately the business was sold and I got laid off. Since I was in the calworks program I was able to go back to school and obtained a clerical certificate. A few weeks after the graduation I went to an interview and got hired for this company as a book scanner.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

It's been over a year since I started working at the archive. Since then not only have I learned new skills that will prepare me for the future, but also have gotten a chance to move up in this company. I started working as a book scanner and within 5 months I became a record specialist. Thanks to the internet Archive and The JobsNow program my life has really improved.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

The best experience that I have obtain from the Archive and jobsnow program, was the ability to rent an apartment on my own. It's very significant to be able to give my children their own home where they have more space and the ability to move freely. Even though my girls are still young, they have really acknowledge the change and are extremely happy.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

This Year has brought me a lot of joy. It gives me great satisfaction to be able to support my family on my own. Now that I am economically stable My plans are to go back to school and pursue a career. So if the jobsnow program is extended for another year it would really help my goals for the future become a reality.

Your name: Adriana Garin

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

1yr before I started working for IA I lost my job. I was job hunting until I found Jobs Now

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

It has helped me to become independent again. I can support my family on my own with no government assistance. I am truly blessed for this program

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

~~with this job there~~
There are too many experiences to name in a small space but the most amazing thing I gained was responsibility to pay bills on time and get out of debt. being able to get out of debt helped me to purchase my new Texas Coupe!

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

The people that were able to take advantage of this program are truly blessed and it would be an amazing and wonderful thing to continue it. Our children are happier and parents are happier.

Your name:

Phone number:

Anitra Howard

1) What were you doing before you got this job?

working as a travel agent.

2) How has this job affected, changed, or helped you?

Change my life in a good way
Giving me stability with my income.

3) Is there a standout experience you have had since you started working here that you can describe for us? This could be the moment you were able to do something with, or buy something for your kid(s) that you couldn't do before; a personal, professional or social benefit; or any other experience related to having this job that was very positive.

I think it was a positive experience, one of the best places I work, with a family ambience, team players, and also very flexible.

4) If you could give one message to Congress about extending this program, what would it be?

to think of the number of single mothers who need their jobs, for their children and have more opportunity to be better.

Your name:

Phone number:

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My name is Alethea Bowser. I lost my job of 8 years in 2008. I was an Admin. Assitiant for a Mental Health/Sub. Abuse Program. I didn't know how my Family and I was going to make it. The unemployment check wasn't enough. Thanks to the Jobs Now program. My life is getting back on track. Not only am I happy to have another job. But knowing that I can pay my bills on time and feed my family is one less thing I have to worry about right now. I like working here @ Internet archive. I've learned a lot in such a short time, the staff is so wonderful. I'm so thankful to Robert Miller for interviewing me and hiring me. Without the Jobs Now Program and Internet Archive. I wonder where would I be how would I feed my family. Please keep the Jobs Now Program going.

→ good one

Thank you in advance for reading my letter,
Alethea Bowser