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Office of General Counsel, Rules Docket Clerk Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 7th Street SW, Room 10276 Washington, DC 20410-0500

> Regarding: RIN 2501-AD89; HUD Docket No. FR-6124-P-01 Housing and Community Development Act of 1980

Dear Sir/Madam,

As director of a small non-profit in the Central Valley of California, I request that you do not implement the new "mixed family rule". We see the devastating effects of our struggling families every day and while we want to see just laws, we also recognize that there is currently no effective system in place to help our undocumented families receive proper paperwork.

Our work in the community is primarily in the rural areas of the agricultural part of California and many of our families have someone in their family that is not documented.

If you would implement this new ruling it would be devasting for our families since many of our senior citizens living with their families would lose their housing and end up homeless. It would fracture the family structures and would create more crisis living, since many of the families rely on the older generation to provide childcare while they are working.

The current ruling does not provide financial assistance to the undocumented family members and so does not create a burden to our government. The new ruling, while outwardly makes sense would create a larger burden financially, economically and socially on our society.

Please do not implement this new rule. Sincerely,

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We believe the skills of local residents, the power of local resources, and the supportive functions of local institutions are the primary building blocks of sustainable community development. In order to achieve our mission, we will help raise local leaders, mobilize local resources, and engage local communities.