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Dear Friends:

"I never thought I would be asking for help"...we have heard that a lot lately. This recession is reaching deeper than any since the Great Depression. Never have we had so many calls for help as we are having now. Our donations have dropped off. Some who used to send checks have now found themselves unemployed and/or their homes foreclosed. Many who have fallen into homelessness, or who teeter on the brink, turn to Second Chance Society to help them overcome material barriers to employment, thus enabling them to become self-sufficient.



Yes, we're in a situation where more people are asking for our help, and the donations are fewer. There have been days in the last couple of months when we have thought we would have to turn away some who were really trying and who met our criteria. Fortunately, when it seemed the darkest, God always sent his help through some kind person(s) who mailed a check.

I am asking you now to share your bounty with those less fortunate. You can rest assured that your donation will be used with the utmost care. We have only one paid employee. The rest of our work is done by our great group of volunteers. Our last audit showed that 91% of every dollar we receive goes directly to helping our clients. Only 9% is spent for administration and fundraising, which is a statistic that very, very few charities can duplicate.

Since January 1st of this year we have helped 346 men and women on the path back to self-sufficiency. We hope and pray that you will help us help a few more in 2009 and many more in the year ahead.

We do want to take this opportunity to thank you for all your past help and to wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Pat Owen
Program Director

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