

## Interfaith Housing Services, Inc.

Serving in Faith

December 31, 2014

To Whom it May Concern,

Interfaith Housing Service (IHS) has been in the job of assisting low and moderate income individuals with housing solutions for twenty-five years. A recent acquisition to our program lineup has been the Creating Assets Savings and Hope program (IDA). Through this program qualifying individuals not only make progress on their personal housing challenges, they learn what it means to take a higher level of responsibility for the solution. We have found this responsibility has been a powerful tool in helping clients to become healthy members of the community.

In Hutchinson Kansas Interfaith Housing collaborates with the city to turn run-down housing into something good again. Volunteers join with us to help make progress on homes that have seen better days. Even though these remodeled houses turn out very nice their appraisals often keep them priced extremely reasonable because of their location in the Revitalization Area of our city. This makes these properties extra attractive to families looking for strong housing at a good price. This is the case with many of our CASH clients.

We've sold several of these properties to our CASH clients and we have found them overwhelmingly to be good homeowners in every sense of the word. They make their payments, they take care of their yards, they work hard at their jobs and they use the tools they have been taught through CASH to be stronger members of the community.

It is my belief that the tools that are being offered to our clients through the CASH program are not only making a difference for their current housing needs...it is making a difference in the future of our communities.

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Ron Fisher

**Director of Operations** 

