

The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Office of the Governor
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

January 31, 2016

Dear Governor,

I am writing this morning in desperation for my family. Thank you in advance for your time. Please let me begin.

I will give you a little history. In July 2014, I was diagnosed with breast cancer. I underwent chemo, surgery, and radiation. I finished up with all treatment in March 2015.

In December 2015, my husband was diagnosed with Stage 4 Metastatic Prostate Cancer. He has just begun chemo this week, and he is not tolerating it very well. He is not able to work.

We have been self-employed since 1997 with a successful trucking company, Rabon Trucking. This being our main source of income, has certainly caused a tremendous hardship. The business is a farm based business, hauling mainly for local farmers. Due to the weakened soybean, corn and peanut crops, we have had to sell part of the business or lose it to the bank. Not to mention the October flood waters just added to the problems.

Our home is currently going into foreclosure. I spoke with our local banker last week at Conway National Bank in Conway SC. He said there was nothing else he could do for us.

I am employed with Horry County Schools as an Administrative Assistant, carrying full insurances for the family. The paycheck at the end doesn't leave anything to financially support the family.

I have applied to SC Help.gov for assistance with the home. I have applied for Social Security for my husband. Both of these processes are lengthy.

We have two children, still in high school with hopes of going to college. We are ordinary people, trying to make a honest living and get through life.

I am pleading with you to please explore your resources for assistance for us. Should you need to, you may reach me at 843-340-2590 or 843-365-5041.

Thank you in advance,


Debbie Rabon

1. The first step is to identify the problem or question that needs to be answered. This involves understanding the context and the specific requirements of the task.