

Marie Pierre's Testimony:



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"I lived in a MHANY building for about three years after volunteering my time and doing Sweat Equity¹. My MHANY apartment was very affordable and I was able to save towards owning my first home. One year later I went through MHANY's first time home buyer training and loan counseling program and was able to purchase my home. I was able to use the HPD Home First Grant towards my closing cost because of MHANY's help. This has been a great assistance for me and my family. It would have been virtually impossible to purchase my first home if I was not renting at an affordable rate.

MHANY's new Partnership Works program being implemented is important as it will eventually improve members of this organization. It will also give members with professional skills and experience the opportunity to give back and to improve their community. It is very important for me to be a part of an organization like this, one which advocates for affordable housing and the improvement of a better life as I continue to do for the next generation.

It has been and continues to be a great experience being part of this organization, MHANY, Management Inc.

¹ Sweat Equity is volunteer hours on the unit I live in as well as other volunteer activities