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Dear Mr. Villasana,

On behalf of CASA of Travis County, I sincerely thank you for the continued assistance and family finding expertise provided by Forever Homes for Foster Kids. Most recently, Forever Homes located a maternal grandmother of a 13 yr old boy who is currently in foster care. Our greatest challenge for this case has been identifying and contacting family members who we know live in Mexico, as well as family members who are undocumented in the U.S.

We are completely open to looking outside the country, as well as working with undocumented relatives, but do not have the expertise to locate the relatives. Because of your considerable and dedicated research, we were able to establish direct contact with this child's family in Mexico, as well as identify relatives in the U.S.

The CASA volunteer used the information Forever Homes provided to contact the maternal grandmother the child had always spoke fondly about in the past. We found that the child once lived with the grandmother in Mexico. The grandmother was very concerned about the child and requested to begin contact. I must emphasize that, at the time, the boy had no contact with his family. The grandmother was also able to give the CASA volunteer information regarding her brother (maternal great uncle), who lives in TX, who may be able to provide support to the child.

The CASA volunteer is currently in the process of contacting the maternal great-uncle to explore the possibility of a relationship with the child. The child advocates are in the process of creating a plan to begin the process of engagement with the grandmother. This is great news for a case with little hope.

I am confident CASA of Travis County would not have found this information without the help of Forever Homes for Foster Kids. Again, please accept our most sincere appreciation for the work your organization provides to our CASA children.

Regards,



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