The HOST program helped me by providing the money for backup needs in case my father ran out of money. I used the money that I gained from the program to buy food and supplies that we needed such as detergent, body wash, shampoo, and toilet paper. The money also helped to pay for expenses like my phone bill as well as my entertainment expenses -- for example, I used the money to go out to the movies with friends and family. Having this extra money made me feel excited and happy that I could do stuff on my own without having to rely on anyone else. It also helped me build towards getting a part-time job in the summer -- I was able to buy stuff I need for the job, like safety equipment and tools. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to be involved in this program.