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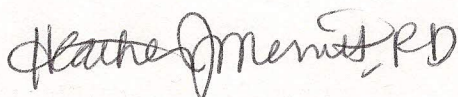
Dear Mr. Kramin,

Although I already sent a thank you letter in August, after our first round of classes, I really wanted to let you know some of the great comments I heard these past couple of weeks. We have just completed our February classes, with more give-aways from the Minnesota Elks.

Veterans were pleasantly surprised by the items provided. One veteran shared that he was "starting over" trying to build contents of an apartment from nothing, and he really appreciated the items. All veterans agreed that the items were going to be helpful. We provided food storage items and spices again, as our class focused on making food in larger quantity and storing for later use. We prepared an inexpensive, healthy, quick, easy chili recipe as a group and they received the spices from the recipe as well as storage containers on the give-away table.

Again, thank you so much for continuing our partnership. This is a program that has been very helpful to our veterans.

Best regards,



Heather Merritt, RD

