

March 29,2022

Representative Rob Ecklund  
409 State Office Building  
St. Paul, MN 55155

Dear Representative Ecklund:

I write today to urge your support of HF3953 and SF 4285, funding the Building Strong Communities program (BSC). I am a 2021 graduate of BSC, and highly recommend this program for people who are looking for a career in the construction trades.

BSC is a unique program because it educates you on many different aspects of the building and construction trades: this history; what each trade does; and how to access jobs in the industry. BSC offered me an opportunity to see the different trades as we visited training centers so I could pick the trade career that was best for me.

I work as a laborer for Stonebrook Fencing and I enjoy going to work every day because every day I do something new. I hope that the legislature funds Building Strong Communities to lift more people like me into the BSC program to have access to good careers in the trades.

Sincerely,

Amir Muhammed