## SINGLE MOM BECOMES HOMEOWNER

**OUTLINE OF NEED:** Jade Combellick and her nearly two year old son were living in a cramped one bedroom apartment. A friend of Jade's had recently financed a house through USDA Rural Development. The friend encouraged Jade to contact Rural Development to identify homeownership options for herself.

## HOW RURAL DEVELOPMENT HELPED: Jade

had always dreamed of owning a home with a backyard where her child could play. "I did a lot of praying. God put all the pieces in place for me and Rural Development made it possible," said an emotional Jade Combellick.

Rural Development was able to provide Jade with a home loan through the 502 rural housing direct program. Jade worked with Mickelson Reality to find a home. Prior to moving in, repairs were made to the heating system. Future upgrades to the home include redoing the basement walls, and installing a sump pump.

**THE RESULTS:** Jade and her son are enjoying their safe, clean, sound and affordable house. Her son now has his own space and a yard for him to play in. Jade has found that being a homeowner has provided her with a renewed confidence in herself and a sense of accomplishment that she is able to provide her son a stable home.

"My dream of owning a home has come true," exclaimed Jade Combellick. "Rural Development made it financial possible for me. Without them, I wouldn't have been able to make the house payment or afford the quality of home I now enjoy."

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Pictured at right are Jade Combellick and her son. Pictured below they are standing in front of their house.



