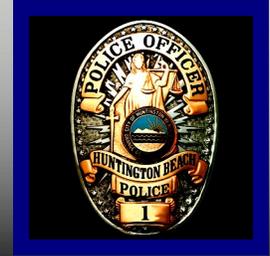


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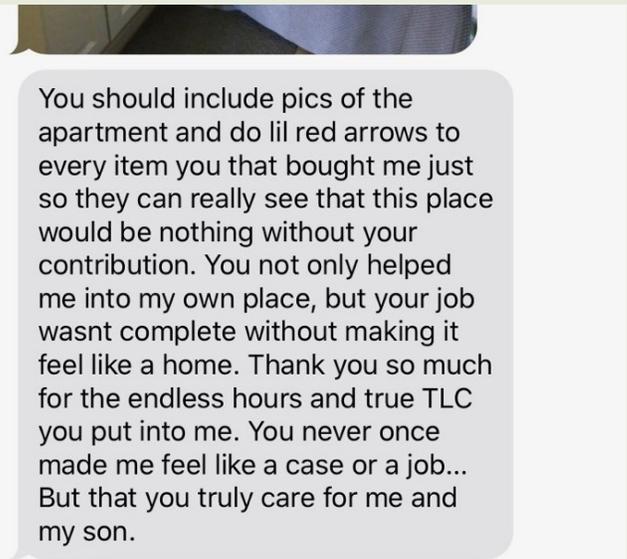
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## MOM AND BABY ENJOY NEW HOME

A Huntington Beach resident and domestic violence survivor was referred to the Homeless Task Force last fall. She came to the team by way of the Family Solution’s Collaborative, which is the County’s Coordinated Entry system for families. Lisa Roberts gladly assumed the role of case manager. Lisa’s primary goal was to obtain a permanent supportive housing unit. After months without success, a Housing Choice Voucher opportunity arose through the Anaheim Housing Authority. Lisa helped her client apply and, happily, she was approved. The tough part then became finding a suitable unit and a landlord that would accept the voucher.



The apartment search was made particularly difficult by the fact that Lisa’s client had just given birth to her newborn son and was living in a shelter for families. After much searching, a unit was located and Mom and baby were successfully placed the week that the COVID-19 quarantines began. This proved to be another hurdle because basic household products were becoming scarce. This client had nothing when she moved in. With donations from St. Vincent De Paul Society and the HTF, as well as donated items from HBPD personnel, Lisa’s client was able to begin furnishing her new home. Lisa continues to make frequent contact with the young family to support their success. Mom and baby are happy, healthy and grateful.



**Above:** Mom and baby snuggle together the first night they received their bed; new and gently used items furnish their little home.

**Right:** Grateful text message from Mom to Lisa Roberts

