Sarah, age 20, has been living on the streets of Lynnwood for 6 months, because she lost her job, her apartment, and her health insurance. She can get a bed in a *shelter* a few days each week, but sleeps in the park under a *tarp* the rest of the time. She can only wash herself and her clothes once a week at most, her shoes have holes, and often she ends her day hungry and cold. When Sarah gets so sick she cannot take care of herself anymore, the only place she can go is the *Emergency Department* at Swedish Hospital in Edmonds.

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| One sentence summary: |

The social work team at Swedish Hospital has seen Sarah several times this year already and recognizes that there are things in her life that *prevent* her from getting and staying healthy. They acknowledge that there are many social determinants of health outside of their control. The healthcare system is working with the City of Lynnwood to help address the *underlying* problem of *recurring* emergency room visits and unnecessary hospital stays. The City of Lynnwood has *limited resources*, but has made available $50,000 to *address* the issues causing Sarah’s problems.

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| One sentence summary: |

You are part of a group of *non-profit organizations* that *address* different areas of public health. Lynnwood has asked your group to *develop* a *proposal* how you will solve some of the problems they *identified* as health issues for Sarah and people like her, whether homeless or not.

The city, with the help of the healthcare community, will divide the $50,000 among all *proposals*, but the amount your organization *receives* depends on the strength of your proposal.

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| **Social Determinants** | **Example from Case study** | **Examples from you own life** |
| Economic Stability |  |  |
| Education |  |  |
| Social and Community Supports |  |  |
| Health Care |  |  |
| Neighborhood and Physical Environment |  |  |
| Food |  |  |

Vocabulary List

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| Vocabulary | Definition |
| Shelter  Tarp  Emergency Department  Prevent  Underlying  Recurring  Limited resources  Address (verb)  Non-profit organizations  develop  Proposals  Identified  receives  **Your own vocabulary list:** |  |