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What is your name? Where are you from?

P Sachdev, India.

When were you at Stanford? For how long?

Around year 2000, roughly four years.

Were you a student or a spouse at Stanford? What were you/your spouse studying?

Student, EE.

Where do you live now and what are you doing?

I live in the Bay Area now.

When you were at Stanford, how did you hear about the CCIS?

I heard about the CCIS through the Bechtel International Center.

Which CCIS programs did you participate in and in what capacity?

I participated in the Homestay program, and borrowed certain items from the Loan Closet.

When and how did you decide to participate in these CCIS programs?

The invitation to the Homestay program was sent along with my admission documents. So were details about the Loan Closet.

How was your experience taking part in CCIS's programs?

Both the Homestay program and the Loan Closet were very useful. To stay with a local family, who acquainted me with Stanford and took me around for the first one week was very helpful and greatly eased my first week here. To date it remains a unique and cherished memory of my first days in this country. The Loan Closet was a big convenience by lending one all the basic stuff one needed, so that one didn't have to shop around for it. I contributed back to the Loan Closet, too, as I thought it was a very helpful program.

What message would you like to give to the CCIS?

Dear CCIS,

Thank you to all the people working behind the scenes and making the lives of international students better.

P Sachdev