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Application for Benefits (AFB)

Figure	Update
1 - 2	**AFB.** New messages when a new application for benefits is initiated and the Food Assistance Program (FAP) is selected, a "Save Yourself Time" message will display if the applicant has action that can be taken before submitting a new application.
3	**AFB.** New state resource triggered for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program when a resident starts an AFB with State Emergency Relief as a program. When the resident clicks "Continue" on the program selection page pop up about COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA) program will display with two options: • More Info About CERA. • X to take them to the page following program selection page.

Help Me Find Resources (HMFR)

Figure	Update
4	**HMFR.** When a resident selects the following needs statements in a HMFR survey, then the CERA resource will be triggered for the COVID Emergency Rental Assistance Program. • Get help paying for rent • Get help paying for gas (or turning gas back on) • Get help paying for electricity (or turning electricity back on) • Get help paying for water (or turning water back on)

Self-Referral

Figure	Update
5	**Self-Referral.** New message "You'll be hearing from soon us!" after a self-referral is sent to MEAP, WIC, Resend WIC, MVAA, AAA, Michigan Works! LEO, and Michigan Home Visiting for resident understanding of who will be contacting them.
6 - 7	**Self-Referral.** New notification email and message on their MI Bridges dashboard after a self-referral is sent to MEAP, WIC, Resend WIC, MVAA, AAA, Michigan Works! LEO, and Michigan Home Visiting for resident understanding of who will be contacting them.

Correspondence

Figure	Update
8	**Correspondence.** Residents can elect to no longer receive paper copies of letters from MDHHS by regular mail. Letters will be available online in MI Bridges. Some letter will still be sent in the mail for privacy purposes. A letter will be generated when elected to received only electronic correspondence (no longer by mail) and when a resident elect to no longer receive letter electronically and start receiving correspondence via paper mail. A resident can elect to switch back to paper copies at any time.

Community Partner (CP)

Figure	Update
NA	**CP.** *Report Enhancement!* If MI Bridges user permission allow, the "Applications and Renewals Breakdown", will display two titles "Applications Breakdown" and "Renewals Breakdown". When viewing the benefits tab of reports, "Household Member Per Program", is split into two topics "AFB (Application for Benefits) Household Member Per Program" and "RMB (Renew My Benefits) Household Member Per Program". RMB will no longer display Women and Infant Children (WIC) and State Emergency Relief (SER).
NA	**CP.** *Home Visiting Proactive Referral Enhancement!* When a Home Visiting (HV) referral is sent from Application for Benefits (AFB), the acronym corresponding to the program of that referral will be shown along with the existing Need. The tables in Unassigned, Assigned, and Completed tabs and/or the Referral Details page, the Need for Home Visiting Referrals include the acronym for the program the referral the resident self-referred.

Appendix

Screenshots:

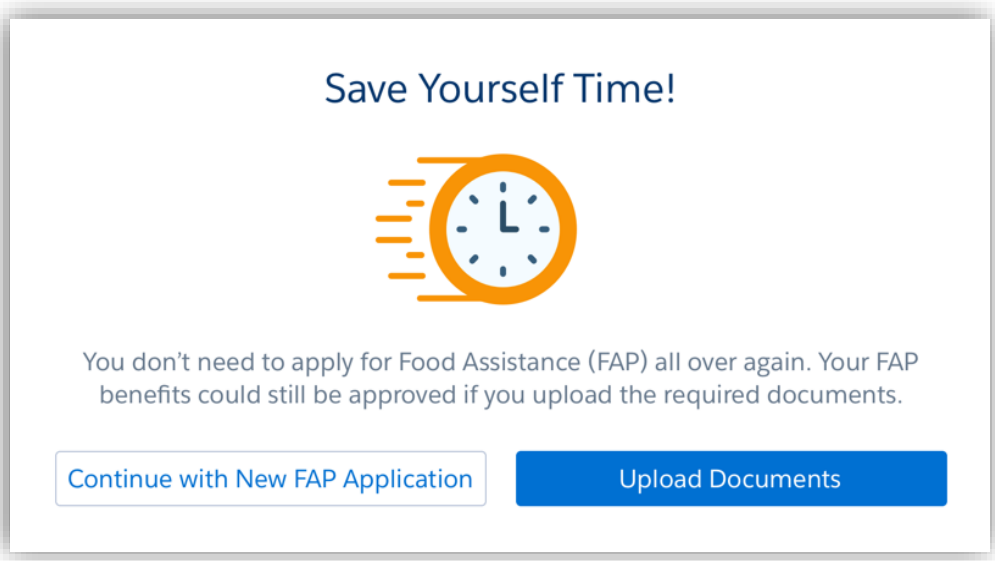

Figure 1: AFB

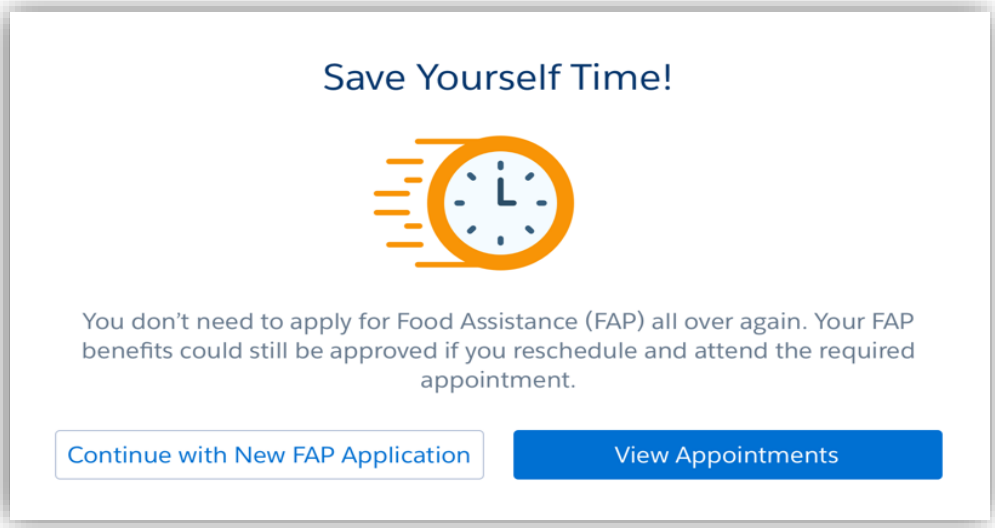

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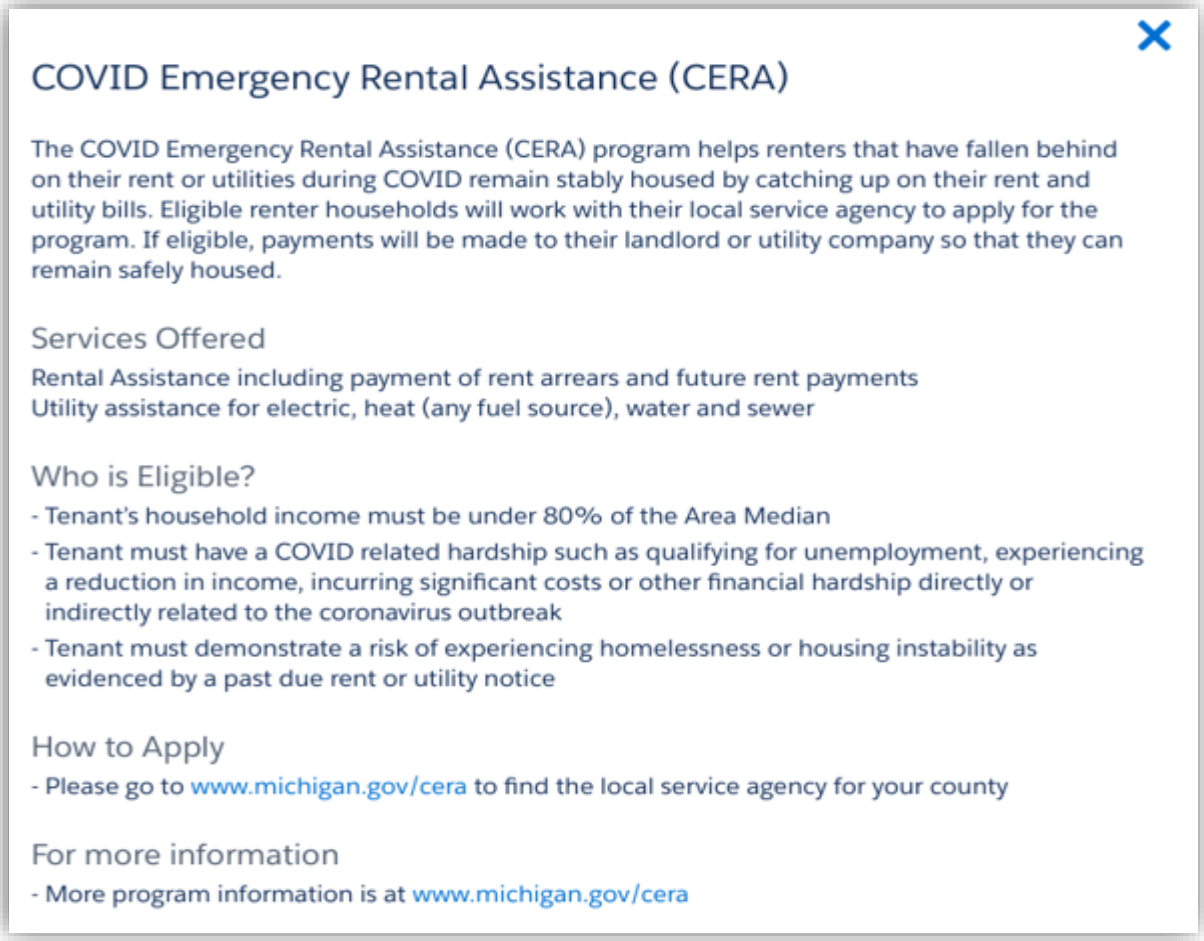
Figure 3: AFB



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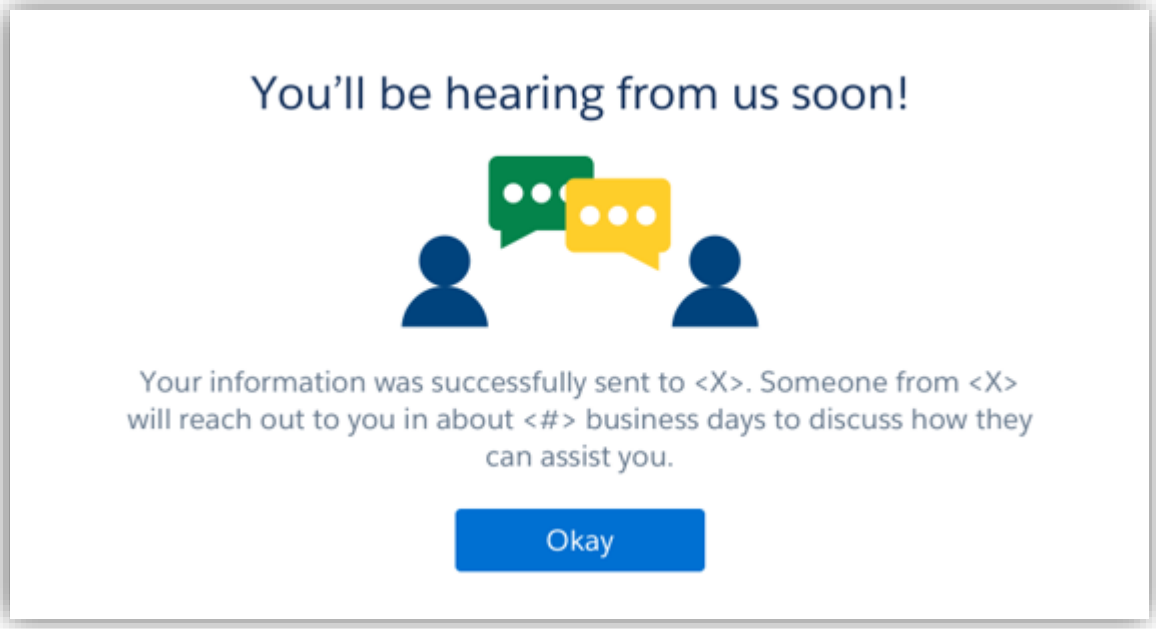
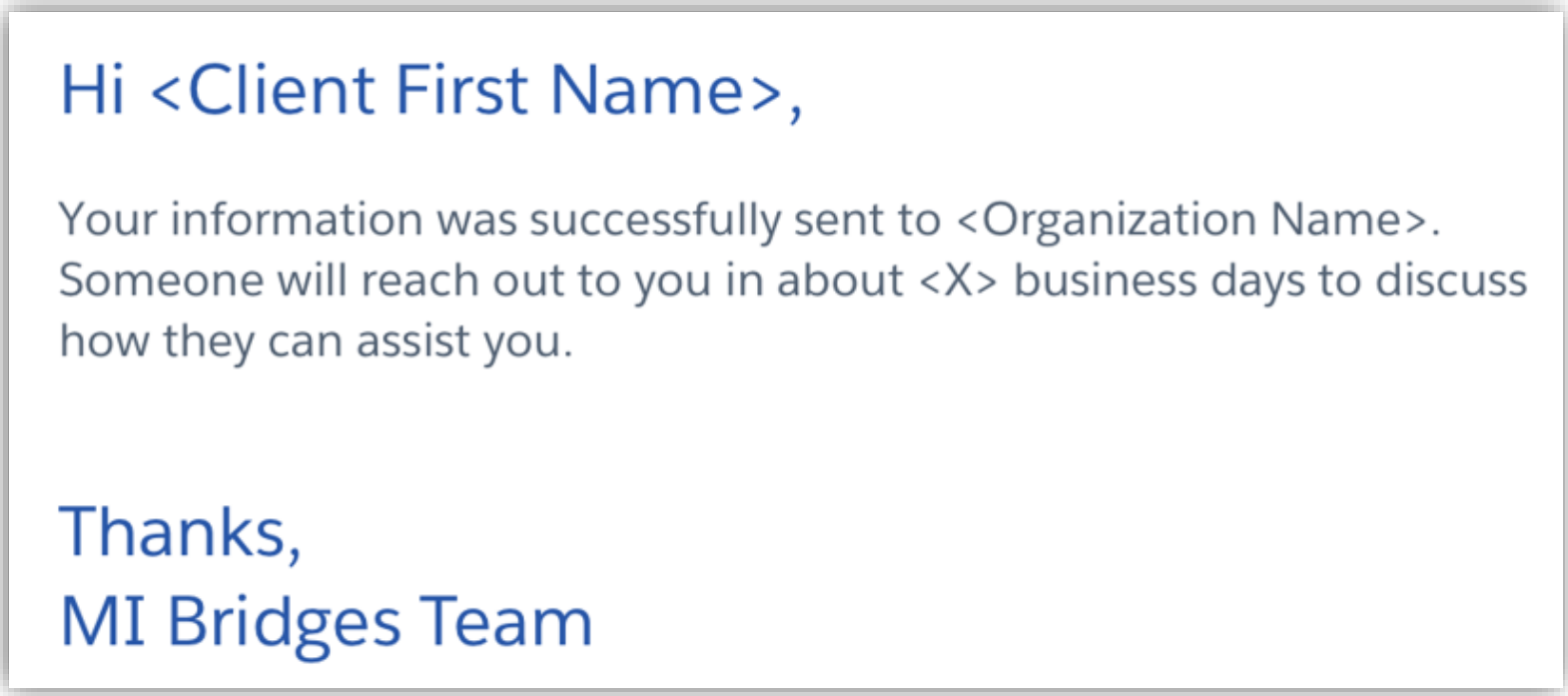


Figure 5: Self-Referral



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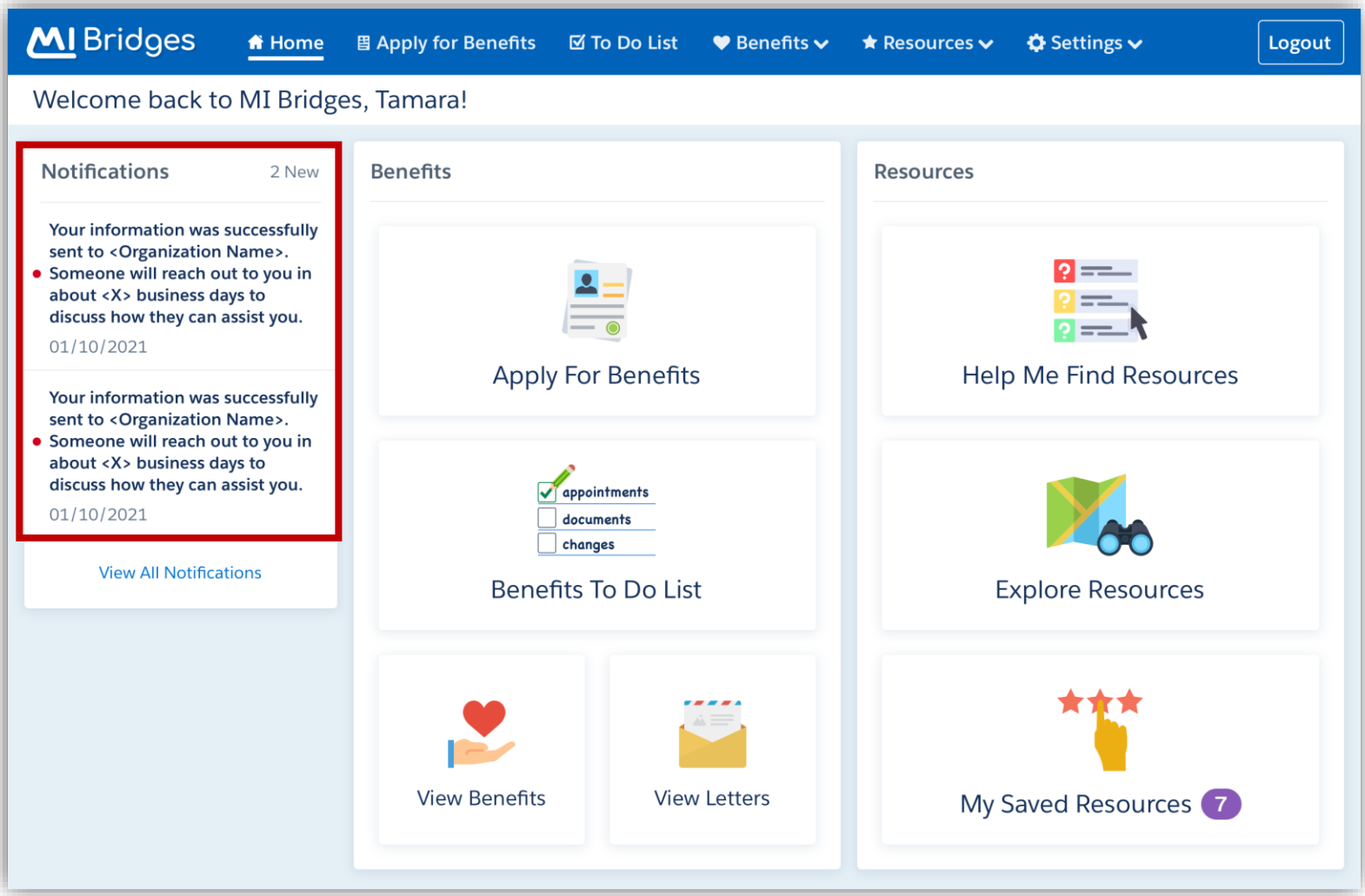

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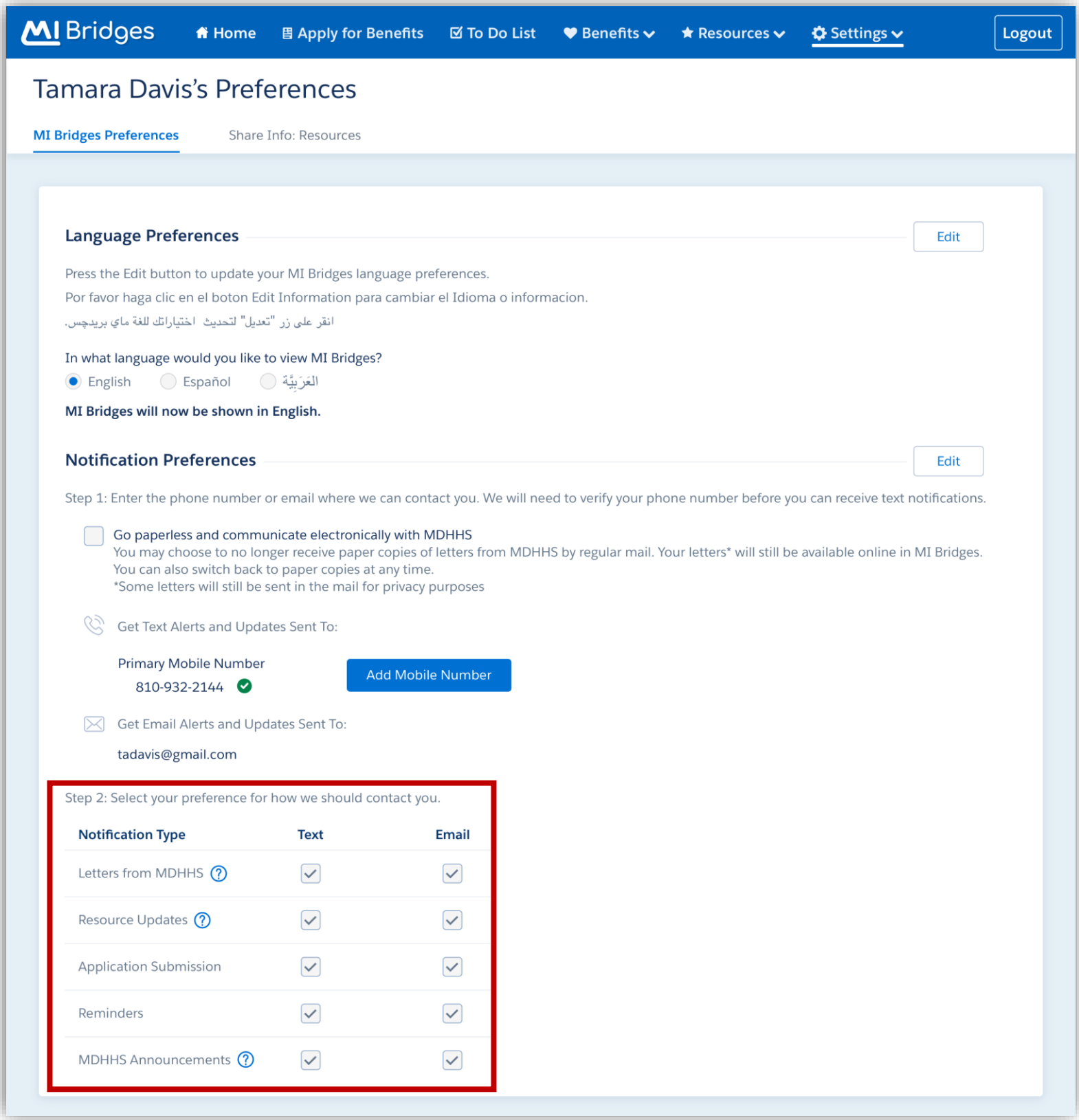

Figure 8: Correspondence | Preferences