

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Getting released from prison doesn't truly mean full freedom as parole remains. So, it is incredibly exciting when someone we have been working with for one or two years, finally gets off parole.

We began working with Leon the day he got out of prison last year on September 20th. He was able to resume his job as a chef at Madhouse Bar and Grill and he's been working consistently since then and doing well. We helped him right away with all his basic necessity needs, clothes, work clothes, food, transportation, move in costs, furniture, home furnishings, an old DTE bill etc.

It was great to hear from him on September 20th, one year since we began working together. The day his parole ended. Leon was excited and appreciative of all we did for him. He sent us wnwew:

"Good afternoon Bob this is Leon just to inform you that I made it!
 "And thank you for all you have done in my returning back to society.
 "You will never be forgotten in my life!"

Nor you in our life either Leon. A pleasure to work with you!



TIFFANY:

Talk about experiencing a wonderful moment, nothing could be more exciting to us than yesterday and again seeing Tiffany, a returning citizen who we've known since April of 2021.

This time she was coming to meet us in the car we were able to previously provide her and in her job capacity working with Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries (DRRM). She was driving Isaiah to meet us as he'd just gotten out of prison and Tiffany is helping him navigate applying for health care and housing help via Section 8 etc.

It's wonderful seeing her give back by helping other returning citizens through her job as we had the pleasure of helping her in many ways since she came back from prison. In addition to her car, we assisted her with housing, home goods, work clothes, furniture etc.

She's a great advocate for returning citizens, staying at DRMM, as she is caring, empathetic and very productive in providing help.

Way to go Tiffany and we look forward to assisting all those you send our way, including yesterday's referral of Isaiah a great candidate for our help.



DONYELLE:

Spending 20 years in prison for a crime you didn't commit, is obviously an emotional and physical burden to experience.

That's what happened to Donyelle who was convicted of first-degree murder in 2003 and sentenced to life in prison.

The Innocence Clinic took on his case and said, "The evidence was as thin as it gets with one incentivized, wavering witness who was as she said, 'high as hell' at the time she purportedly saw Donyelle do the shooting."

The witness subsequently recanted her testimony and the victim's mother even provided an affidavit that Donyelle was innocent.

Finally, Governor Whitmer granted clemency to him, and Donyelle was released from prison in March. We met him shortly thereafter and began helping him in many ways.

He's an incredibly hard worker and currently working three jobs including for SBoy Printing, Rebuild Detroit while learning skilled trades, as well as for Believe 313 doing cleanup for Little Caesars Arena, Comerica Park and Ford Field.

We look forward to soon getting Donyelle into his own housing and then assisting with a used vehicle to make his life easier. 20 years was taken away from him, but every day he gets a little bit more back.



GIVONTAE:

Most people are sentenced to prison between the ages of 20-28 and often times when they are released they will be looking for their first full time job.

As recently occurred with Givontae who we just met and he's now 31 years old and sentenced to prison a decade ago.

He's left that past life behind and has been doing all he can since his release to be a positive force to his family and community and doing everything to make certain he avoids anything that could potentially land him back in prison.

Most importantly, he landed his first full time job (with AirBoss – making boots for military), and he's been doing great with equal amounts of enthusiasm and dedication.

Everything is going well for Givontae and we've been assisting him in various ways and will get him into his own housing shortly now that he can afford rent etc. moving forward.

He's doing great and accomplishing a lot in a short period of time!



SPENCER:

We get great satisfaction out of assisting people in obtaining employment and even more so when they have completed a skilled trade training program and all their hard work will be rewarded with a job they were striving to obtain.

Such as Spencer, who we met for the first-time last month and he was in position to have his Commercial Driver License. We provided him two great connections for employment, namely the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department who has hired many of those we work with as well as GFL Environmental, a waste management company.

He interviewed great at both jobs and was provided an offer of employment to each position. Spencer had his pick of jobs and evaluated the pros and cons of each and made the best decision for himself by accepting the GFL position and he starts his job next week.

We met up again the other day to provide him all that he needed so he could hit the ground running at the new job and be in the best position to achieve success.

And we have no doubt that Spencer will. He's come a long way in a short period of time!



LAYMAN:

Some returning citizens invest a lot of thought into what they need to do to be successful once they are released from prison.

Such as Layman who we first met last March and he already had a job lined up with Stanek Rack who he'd interviewed with while in prison.

Six months later he's still working there and doing great. After having lived with family since he first got out it was time for Layman to be in his own place and we helped him with that and furniture and home goods. But he really also needed help getting to and from work.

He qualified with us for a used vehicle and within days of moving into his place, we were able to assist him with a nice Saturn Vue.

He was very appreciative and texted us: "Again, as always, thank you so very much. This grant for the car is a life changing opportunity for me!!"

He's already taken advantage of this opportunity by picking up a part time welding job as well. His plans that he foresaw in prison are definitely coming true! Way to go Layman!



CURTIS:

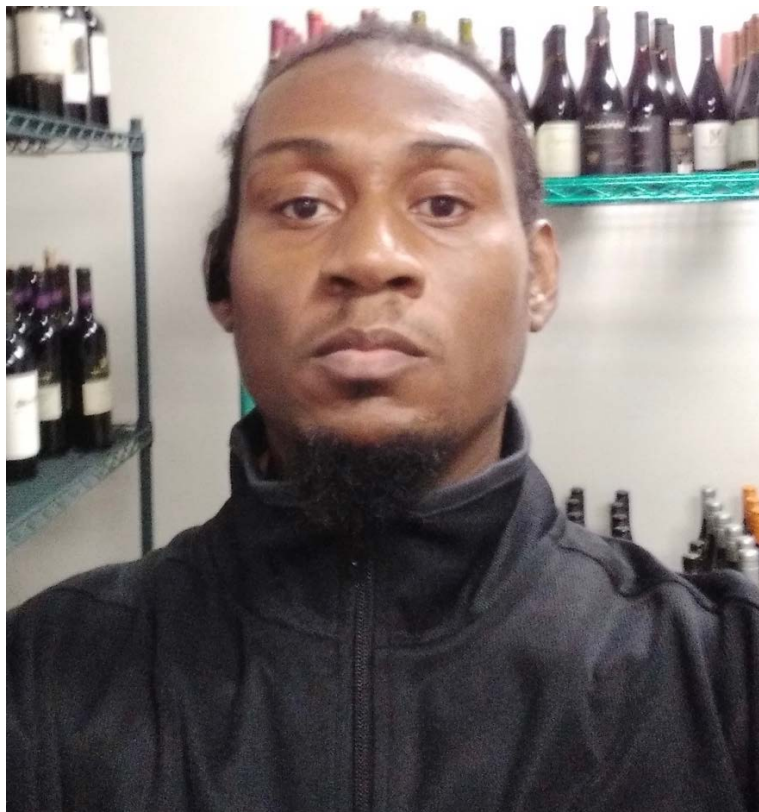
It's the things one has no control of that present the largest hurdles for returning citizens such as working at a job and being a great employee but all of a sudden, for various reasons, the total work hours are cut for everybody.

You quickly go from paying all your bills without problems, to scrambling as your paycheck is reduced.

That was the case for Curtis who we'd been helping since last November and on Thursday we got the text: "I really need your help. I am working on finding a good consistent job with steady income as right now I am going through work shortages and the inconsistencies are really doing me in."

We immediately provided Curtis some great job leads and within two hours we got the following text: "LM Manufacturing offered me a job and I will be working the 2nd shift starting Monday and will do a building tour/orientation on Saturday. Thanks again as you really are a true-life raft because I was drowning with the decrease in my hours!"

Crisis averted and back on the smooth path of success.



REGINALD:

When one is released from prison with literally nothing, but state issued t-shirt and shorts, getting some type of income in a hurry is necessary for survival.

And sometimes the quickest route is to take a job through a staffing agency/temp service or taking a seasonal job. It satisfies the need for income at the time, but the downside is that it's not permanent so another job, down the line, will be required.

So, we're constantly working to get people into that more permanent position as we've just done with Reginald who has been working with the City of Detroit grounds services department, but that seasonal job ends in a few weeks.

We provided him other opportunities with the City of Detroit, including the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department where we have been able to place lots and lots of returning citizens over the years. Hopefully, Reginald will be another one of them but if not he's definitely going to get a job with one of the other leads we provided him as we have connections with many employers and the great performance of other returning citizens we have placed with their company leads to more hires of those currently seeking a job.

He's a hard and dedicated worker and a company will definitely be glad to welcome him aboard!



MICHELLE:

As we've said before, we definitely encourage and provide direction for those returning citizens interested in learning a skilled trade which will lead to a higher hourly pay rate, more job security etc.

So, it was very nice to see that when Detroit Training Center's Drywall training class that began this week, many of those in our program are participating in that class.

Including Michelle, who enthusiastically sent us the accompanying photos to this post, and which shows her in action.

There's lots of opportunities available from the classes offered at the Detroit Training Center (including CDL, welding, masonry etc.) and with the help of tuition being paid for by the State, that major roadblock is avoided.

However, the classic Catch 22 remains of encouraging people to get skilled trade training but their having no income to survive during that time frame. We do all we can to keep people afloat, including providing gift cards for basic necessities as we just did with Michelle.

She will be fine moving forward after completing the course and be able to take her skilled trade and get a very good job.



AMEEN:

When we read Ameen's initial application in August of 2022 we noted he had answered the question re: what type of skilled trade he is interested in with the word: "Horticulture."

We always try to connect people to training in their area of interest and we immediately connected Ameen with a program called "Greening of Detroit" which trains people in the areas of tree artisan, landscaping, community forestry etc.

Ameen quickly became a star student and subsequently one of their best employees as he has been working there since completing his training. He's now progressed to the point of self-sufficiency, and we just helped him get into his new apartment and provided him all the furniture and home furnishings he needed.

It's exciting for us to see how well that referral from a year ago worked out and Ameen is very appreciative as he said to us:

"I want to thank you for taking a chance on me and helping me get a job through the Greening Of Detroit. They love me there and I love doing what I do. I tell everyone, if it wasn't for you, I wouldn't be employed there and in my own place now. So, I give you that credit and thanks so much for your help!"

Our pleasure Ameen. You earned every part of your success!



BOISE:

Undeniably, after serving 36 years in prison it's going to be an enormous adjustment once released but when you were sentenced as a 16-year-old it is even more of an adjustment.

As it is for Boise who was just released from prison after being sentenced as a juvenile to a life sentence without a chance for parole. We began communication with Boise while he was in prison and had submitted a Letter of Support at his Hearing to be released from prison.

It took a long time, but Boise never gave up hope and last Wednesday, hope arrived as due to the efforts of the State Appellate Defender Office (SADO) Boise was a free man.

We met with Boise the next day and he'd already settled into the transitional home he would be living in and had a job lead he was applying for.

We helped him to obtain his basic necessities including clothes, toiletries, a phone etc. And we will continue to assist him moving forward in obtaining employment and then his own housing along with furniture, home goods etc.

A long path to get to his point but we foresee much success in Boise's future given his positive attitude, intelligence, and work ethic!



LOVEILLE:

For many people in prison there is definitely a fear of being released because you know that you will be completely on your own at that time. No family, no friends.

As it was with Loveille, who was doing all he could to connect with potential sources of help and when we met him he told us:

“I tried to get assistance from lots of different resources, and you are the only one that got back to me. You are definitely out here walking the walk. Thanks, because I have no one in my life.”

Loveill is basically homeless at present, and we are working on getting him into stable housing, employment etc. He has expertise and skill in cutting hair which he also did for everyone while in prison and created a great reputation for those skills. We are working to get him on a career path towards a barber license and allow him to do what he loves.

Loveill is very appreciative of our efforts, and he is very organized and on top of things and we are certain success is in his near future. And we will continue to be beside him at all times as the path to success is often very difficult when you are completely alone.



STRATFORD

And yet another record broken and this one is pretty amazing. We met Stratford for the first time on August 20th and he was already working with Dana Container Corporation.

He was doing great and working full time hours and when we met we supplied him with gift cards so he could get some better work clothes and other basic necessities.

By August 26th we were moving him into his new housing and assisted with furniture, first month rent, and home furnishings.

Ten days later Stratford had completed an application to our Working Cars for Working People program. That same day we gathered the further information we needed and were able to approve him for a used vehicle. Later that day Stratford was the proud owner of a 2009 Dodge Journey in excellent condition.

He has definitely accomplished quite a bit in the 21 days we have been working with him and no one has ever achieved so much with us in that short period of time.

All very well deserved as Stratford is a very hard working and picks up overtime hours when he can. Which just got easier to do having his own vehicle allowing more opportunity to stay at work for OT. We look forward to seeing more accomplishments by Stratford moving forward!



MIKE:

Some returning citizens are able to reunite with a spouse upon their release. Mike was able to reunite with his wife and resumed living in their home and being part of his children's life again. His wife has a good job and kept the family moving forward while Mike was imprisoned.

That said he had a major need at present while he waited to begin his upcoming Commercial Driver License training course. Food. The additional expense of adding him to the weekly food bill was taking its toll on their budget. We helped Mike and his family with gift cards for his basic necessities but provided much more aid to meet the additional challenge of food and he texted us the following:

"I'd like to thank you for the assistance you gave me and my family with food. It meant a lot to me. I'm not an emotional person, but tears came to my eyes when I realized what you just did for us, and what you and your organization do for what I can only imagine to be a lot of people.

"I don't have much but if you come across a situation where volunteers are needed for anything, I'd like to volunteer my time for you. It would be a pleasure. Thanks again. Have a blessed day."

We will definitely take Mike up on his offer of volunteer help, just as we do with all the other returning citizens who generously offer us their assistance in paying it forward.



SHAUN:

The path to self-sufficiency and success is much easier when one has some prior work experience with a skilled trade or learned the required skills while in prison.

Prior to his incarceration, Shaun had experience with a CDL and OTR (Over the Road Driving) and now needs to complete a refresher course with Suburban Trucking Company to maintain his CDL license. He's excited for that to occur in the very near future and get going on his career as a truck driver. He is in a good living situation as he was able to move into a house owned by his mother and right next door to the home she is living in, and Shaun doesn't need to pay rent until he secures employment.

Which will be in the very near future and things definitely look very good for him. He's enthusiastic and eager and all is going smoothly. We are doing our best to keep him afloat during this training period when he has no income and we also helped with many basic necessities when we recently met for the first time.

He will soon be back doing over the road driving and well on his way to self-sufficiency. We are quite certain Shaun will be a wonderful success story.



GUI:

Consistent with the old saying that you have to kiss a lot of frogs before finding a prince, sometimes you have to do a lot of unenjoyable jobs before you find the one that fits and which you enjoy.

That is what happened with Gui, who worked at various places before he wound up with a great job at Henry Ford Hospital. And after 36 years in prison, finally finding a job that fits is a great feeling.

There was only one problem with the job and that was getting to and from work. Gui had been relying on the generosity of family and friends with rides and their help with Uber costs at times, but he needed a more permanent and consistent form of transportation.

We took care of that issue through our Working Cars for Working People program. Gui is now the proud owner of Chevy Equinox in great condition. For Gui, the ability to get to and from work was the main reason he needed a car but now, having a car, he is enjoying the freedom of being able to visit friends, timely getting to appointments, running errands etc. All the things that car owners often take for granted because transportation has never been an issue.

It is no longer an issue for Gui. He was incredibly appreciative of our help, and Henry Ford Hospital is also appreciative of his exemplary work performance.



ALTON:

When someone is sent to prison and away from their spouse and children, there is definitely a desire to do all they can upon their release to take care of and support their family.

Alton was no different when he came home after 13 years away and he's trying to make up for lost time and getting the family back on track with their bills etc.

We met him a few weeks ago and helped him with his basic necessity needs and he was recently hired, on the spot right after his interview, with Judd Industrial Contracting. He's generating a good income and the household bills will not be an ongoing issue if they could only get caught up on rent and avoid an impending eviction.

Alton was able to get the landlord to reduce the total amount owed and we were able to take care of the remainder for them.

Things are back to square one with all their bills, as well as the family's relationship with Alton as they begin again after 13 years of his not being there in person. Better times are ahead. It's wonderful for us to see the family reunited and Alton on a solid path of success.



MEGAIL:

One of the things we really enjoy assisting with is purchases that fall within the “Tools/Equipment” category on our accounting end. Our investment is always a good one when someone has skills in a particular trade and has a good paying job lined up, but they can’t begin until they obtain the required tools and equipment.

Those items are often expensive, and it would take many months of working at another job to save to purchase the items on their own. Such as with Megail who, before going to prison, was a skilled professional tree climbing arborist and had a good job and made a nice living. All his tools and equipment were lost when he went away for a few years and now he’s starting over.

He has a job lined up but needed specific tools and equipment that would allow him to do the job and we came through for him. He provided us links to every tool and piece of equipment he needed so we could evaluate things, and all was good on our end, so we helped him with all he needed to be successful.

He is starting his new job now and all is great with self-sufficiency coming quickly for Megail. He was very, very appreciative and we were glad to be able to invest in his future success.



ALAN:

We all have certain pre-conceived notions about the backgrounds of those who go to prison but there are a lot of people we help who actually had it all and working at a great paying job, owned a home, had a spouse and family etc. And then they lost everything.

Starting at square one is a humbling and often awkward experience. But most are just glad to be out and working again and moving forward with their life.

Like Alan, who spent 18 years in prison and definitely lost everything he had including a high paying job. We started working with him a few months ago and helped him with some furniture, basic necessities, eyeglasses etc. He hit the ground running seeking employment and now has obtained a good job working with an internet content company and earning a very good hourly wage.

He is doing quite well after all those many years away and our next stop with Allen is to get him into his own home and out of his uncle's basement.

There's much success for him now and in the future as he is very intelligent and hardworking, a great combination.



ROBERT:

It's always a great feeling to get someone into their own rental home or apartment as they have reached the point of self-sufficiency. Sometimes, the returning citizens we are helping are not renting but purchasing their own home.

As it is with Robert who we've been working with for over a year now and he has progressed incredibly well. He got a job with the City of Detroit last January in the Department of Elections, Employment and Training Division. He has saved his money very well and along with the help from a VA Home Loan and a mortgage with United Wholesale Mortgage, he was able to close on a four-family home.

He will live there and rent out the other units and it will not be an issue to cover his monthly mortgage. We helped him out with furniture and lots of home furnishings.

Robert has always been quite organized and diligent with whatever he was pursuing so no surprise he was able to make this happen with the purchase of the home. He was able to also purchase two adjoining empty lots from the City of Detroit at an inexpensive cost and will pave over the lots and use for parking for his tenants.

Way to go Robert! Congratulations on your new home ownership.



JAMES:

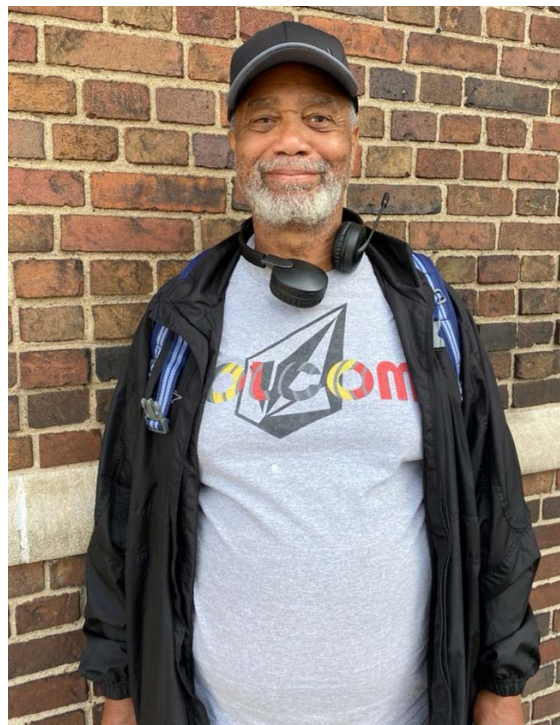
After 20 years in prison and at 68 years of age, James knows about patience and that's what he said to us as he waited his turn the other day to have his initial meeting with us. "I spent a long time in prison, and I learned all about waiting. I know patience."

At his age, along with currently having health issues, the hurdles he faces in integrating back into his community are challenging. But he has a good attitude, which is obviously very important.

He is waiting on his Social Security Retirement benefits kicking in and that will be soon, and we can then help him get into affordable housing and provide him furniture and home goods.

In the meantime, James is doing all he can to give back to his community as he has been providing volunteer help with the nonprofit of Focus: HOPE and other volunteer positions at additional organizations.

The world can be a daunting place to returning citizens who are seniors and without family or friends, but James is doing all he can to be involved in his community and we will be there for him at all times and helping him navigate things as he returns after so many years away.



EMILY AND MARQUIS:

We have helped over 3000 people since our returning citizens program was launched but in all that time we never encountered a couple who are moving in together.

Until now, as we've been working, separately, with Emily and Marquis for a while now and providing help to each of them in a variety of ways to keep them moving forward. Including car repairs, work clothes, gift cards for basic necessities etc.

They are both doing very well with Emily working at Wayne State University and Marquis working with US Farathane and together they are earning a very good income.

So, it was great to receive their joint application for assistance with move in costs to an apartment at Village Square Apartments and also for furniture and home furnishings.

We were able to help them with all those things and they have a fully furnished apartment to move in to with everything they need.

Nice to see and nice to know their joint income will make certain they will be self-sufficient in their new apartment, together.



GREGORY:

It always amazes us at the way some returning citizens hit the ground running, while, quite understandably, some others need a little bit of time to readjust and reacclimating to everything.

Gregory is in the first category as he was beyond determined when he got back home and was ready to roll immediately. He looked into obtaining a Commercial Driver License and met with his parole agent about this and will be beginning a program in the next week. He also sought employment that would not conflict with his school hours as his desire is to during the time he is in school.

After meeting Gregory, we have no doubt he will be incredibly successful at juggling work and school. He has a backup plan if full time school and full-time work doesn't work out as he knows he can go to CDL school on a weekends only schedule to complete the program.

We look forwards to seeing his success develop and he can take advantage of our help including additional gift cards, car repair, move in costs to his first residence of his own, furniture, home furniture etc.

Way to go Gregory!



SCHVIEA:

Sometimes when we meet people for the first time they have been out a little while from prison and they are really struggling.

This was the case when we met Schviea back in April as at that time he was homeless and actually living out of his car.

We helped him at that time with all his basic necessities including clothing, toiletries food, shoes etc.

We also helped him with a car repair given that was also his home and we've helped him with his phone bill on a few occasions. Schviea has come a long way since that time as he got a job with One Mike a restaurant and bar in Detroit.

He is now self-sufficient, and we have now been able to help him get into his own home, and he couldn't be more excited for that as well as all the new furniture and home furnishings we are able to provide him.

Sometimes we get people at ground zero and it's always a joy to help them, like Schviea, to a point of stability in a relatively short period of time. He's doing great and we are very proud of him!



WILLIE:

Let's face it, when you go to prison for an extended period of time you literally lose everything. Possessions, job, car, housing, friends etc. When you get out you are building things up from the very bottom and it can be overwhelming at times.

Willie just got out of prison a week ago and we met him a few days after his release. He previously had a career as a locksmith and had a successful business. For now, he got a job with "Mr. Locksmith" company while also having applied with the IRS for a new Employer Identification Number (EIN) so that he can re-build his prior locksmith company. He also has already found a home that the owner will rent to him on a land contract basis so Willie can actually own his home in the near future.

He's doing great in a very short period of time as he is smart, industrious, and hard working. A great combination to successfully re-build, starting over from the beginning.

We will help him in a lot of different ways to smooth his path and keep Willie moving forward at all times. It's pretty clear he is going to be a great success story within our returning citizens program!



DEREK:

It definitely makes things easier on our end to get a returning citizen to the point of self-sufficiency when they are able to resume their prior job upon release from prison.

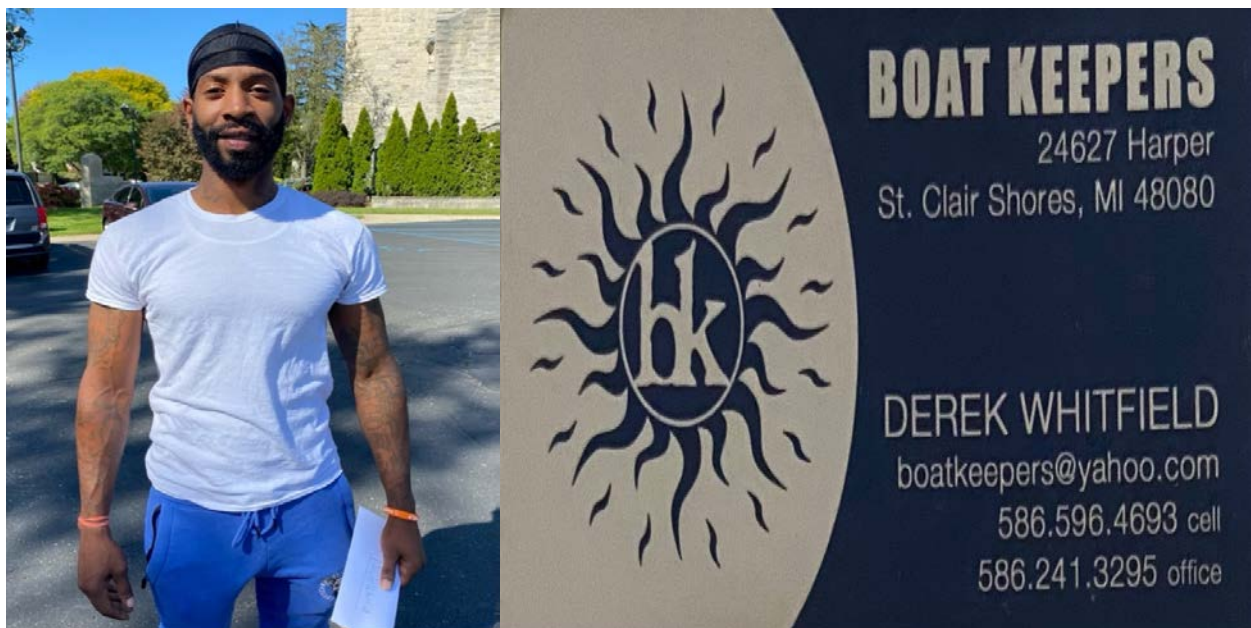
That's the case with Derek who has a great talent in detailing boats and has a positive work history prior to serving his prison sentence via a company called Boat Keepers.

He was able to resume his career with them when he was recently released, and he has started saving money to get a home for he and his 13-year-old daughter. We will soon assist him with housing and a vehicle thereafter.

We definitely feel the enthusiasm that Derek has for his job when he talked about his employment with us as he has a passion for detailing boats and is very, very good at it.

He's in a good spot right now and doing all he can to avoid anything that might lead him back to prison. We'll assist Derek in keeping him on that path and look forward to all the help we can provide him after just starting our relationship by providing him with gift cards to meet all his basic necessities, work clothes etc.

And a shout out to Boat Keepers (<https://www.boatkeepers.biz/>) for standing by Derek during his darkest time and bright days are now here and ahead!



TODD:

It always amazes us how some people after having been away for 30 plus years in prison do indeed acclimate themselves pretty quickly.

Todd was gone for that period of time and when we first communicated with him by text, a day after he got out, he assured us that when we met in person a few days later he'd have a job in place.

And he was right as when we met he had been hired by Detroit Axle and he was ready to make a very good impression on his new employer.

Todd came out of prison with specific goals in mind, how to best achieve them and in the quickest manner possible.

The new job is a great place to start as having an income right away leads to many more opportunities with us and sooner than later. His plans also include pursuing his Commercial Driver License.

After meeting with Todd, it is clear he is a go-getter and achieving things quickly. We look forward to assisting him further with housing and a vehicle and keeping him afloat during the time he is in truck driving training and his income is much less.

He is definitely one of those who served a long prison sentence but adjusting to life on the outside remarkable quickly. Very good Todd!



CHRISTOPHER:

Sometimes returning citizens have a level of desire to try and accomplish as much as possible on their own. We first met Christopher last May and helped him with his basic needs at that point as he had just gotten out of prison and was living with his sister and completing job applications online.

He was determined to find a job and he did as his employment involves driving a box truck picking up donated items. Christopher is making good money and he saved to obtain a rental home (two-bedroom trailer).

He's accomplished a lot on his own with getting a job and housing but now could use some help with furniture and home goods which we are glad to be able to assist him with.

Since he now qualifies for our Working Cars for Working People program, he has applied for a used vehicle, and we should be able to assist him with that need as well.

It's okay to ask for help when needed and it's okay to want to do things on your own. For Christopher that combination has worked out great for him and he's come a very long way in just four months. Very impressive!



ANDREA:

As everyone knows who enjoys reading our daily posts, for our returning citizens program to be as successful as it is it takes the generosity of donors to help us assist all those in need.

One of our most consistent and generous donors is Andrea who, years ago, read a newspaper article about our returning citizens program and she wanted to become involved.

She did so with her generous donations, and she has also visited our daily meetings with those who we were helping on that day, so she could definitely then see her generous donations in action.

Just the other days we were pleased to receive another thoughtful, kind, and supportive check from Andrea. She remains very pleased with all that we do in helping those coming back from prison and which she has definitely become a part of.

So, a big shout to Andrea! Thanks again! Here she is at a couple of her prior visits along with Jack and Deangelo.



DANZAVIOUS:

Many of the returning citizens who we assist have never had anyone providing them help, guidance, or support in the past. For many people that results in a return to prison.

We recently met Danzavious who is working at Dakkota Integrated Systems and doing well but encountered an issue with his car that needed immediate repair. We took care of that unanticipated and large expense as it was critical he get to work every day.

We discussed getting him into a stable housing and yesterday we accomplished that for him. He just moved into his new home, and we helped with move in costs, new furniture and home furnishings. Danzavious is well deserving and hardworking and was very appreciative and emotional for all we provided for his new home and helping with his car repair. He texted us:

“Thank you so very much. I never received proper help like this in my life. I never thought success was possible until all your recent help and guidance and my turning my life around.

“Thank you again. It has really got me on tears man, thank you!”
Glad it all worked out Danzavious, and so happy to help you!



CHRISTOPHER:

We like to call it our version of the Daily Double. That is when we can get someone into their own home rental and the same day provide them a used vehicle through our Working Cars for Working People program.

To accomplish that a returning citizen has definitely gotten to the point of self-sufficiency, has a good job and will be able to pay all their bills moving forward and have shown us that they are responsible and determined.

Such is the case with Christopher who has a good job working with the Vietnam Veterans of America and is moving in with his wife who works at a Senior Living center.

Christopher has been doing very well since he was released from prison last May and has accomplished a lot in a short period of time. He is bright and organized and a great employee. And he now has stability with a home of his own and no longer worried about how he will get to work as he now has his own vehicle.

A big and exciting day for Christopher and his own Daily Double. Thumbs up indeed!

