

## The Peale, Baltimore

*Out of the Blocks* Storytelling Series

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Speaker 1 ([00:01](#)):

The development Hopkins doing is good. They moved a lot of neighborhood people out, which killed a lot of the drugs in the area, which was good. But also they moved out a lot of good people. People that lived around here for 30, 40 years. Elderly people that didn't want to move, but they was basically forced out from the Hopkins plan. But since then, they done did a lot. It's pretty good. David Tyson, custodian supervisor. This is Northeast Market, 2101 East [inaudible 00:00:31] Street. Keeping the market clean, making sure the restrooms are good. The outside, the tables, make sure the customers' all right when they come in here. Stuff like that.

Speaker 2 ([00:42](#)):

How long have you been here at Northeast Market?

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Speaker 1 ([00:44](#)):

18 years. A lot of different people from all walks of life that I'd have met. I've met a lot of good people from the neighborhood, from John Hopkins, some city workers, police, officers, firefighters. I think I've met a little bit of everybody in here. I like people. I didn't notice 25 years ago. You'd have met me 25, 30 years ago., you'd be like, "No, that's not a guy I want to be around." From the area that I come from and what I used to do, you know what I'm saying? That you wouldn't have want to been there. But as I got older and I learned, I found out that I'm more of a people person than I thought I was, and I enjoy it.