

Out of the Blocks Storytelling Series | 400 E. Patapsco Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland
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Marcus (00:02): My name is Marcus Carter. I work at Antonio's Hair Design on 419 Patapsco Avenue, Brooklyn, Maryland. Antonio used to cut my hair, so I wanted to get into the profession. And he basically took me on as his apprentice. I started coming in November of 2011, just sitting in the barbershop, watching what he do, seeing how you conduct yourself as a barber.

Marcus: (00:27) I've been incarcerated twice. Did three years, I came home, stay home for 15 months and I got locked back up, and I did another four and a half years, and I came home in 2011. So me actually taking this barb-man thing seriously has helped me focus on the good things and the positive things in life and help me stay out of trouble from the things that I used to do. When I take money home to take care of the things that need to be taken care of for my kids and stuff, I don't got to have a subconscious about saying like, "I got it this way. I got it that way. I know I earned it the right way, so it feels more pleasing to me to be able to provide for my family."

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