

The Peale, Baltimore

Out of the Blocks Storytelling Series

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

Yeah, I'm Kinte. We on the 4700 block of Liberty Heights right now. Yeah, I'm a family man. I'm around here, but I'm about to go to school for carpentry and electrician, but I worked for UPS. I actually used to be in the streets, but I had been stabbed, shot, robbed, almost killed four or five times. But having a job, you don't have to look over your back, you don't have to see who's watching you. You don't have to spin around a block two, three times before you go in the house and et cetera.

Speaker 2 ([00:35](#)):

So there's a peace of mind now, it sounds like that just was never there before for you.

Speaker 1 ([00:41](#)):

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Yeah, a big change and I love it.