

Digs with Dignity

Transcript

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Lamont Montgomery

You can't see when you're in that position of homelessness, like your belief system. So I always believe even during those times that if I stayed in the right direction, things would begin to change.

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Kim Hanney

Imagine, you know, you're a single mom with three kids. You're fleeing a domestic, violent relationship and you have nowhere to go. Finally, you get connected with a caseworker. They're getting into housing, but now you have to figure out how to pay your rent, feed your kids, buy furniture, hold a job while your kids are maybe or maybe you're not in school.

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Kim Hanney

How do you make that work? And how do you make the tough choice between whether to feed your kids or whether to buy furniture for your apartment? Our mission at Digs is to elevate the lives of the families transitioning from homelessness by providing them with a fully furnished space. Everything from linens, knickknacks, big furniture, small furniture, you name it.

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Kim Hanney

We use it in their homes.

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Beth Wangman

We have 7 to 10 days to literally take four bare walls and turn them into a home for these families.

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Jan Claibourne

I think it's important for families to feel some ownership of where they live, and we're giving them the kind of things that they can be proud of and say they own and it's theirs.

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Beth Wangman

We can all just deliver a bunch of furniture into a house, but it's really not a home unless there's things around you that make you feel comfortable, that make you feel a sense of safety, a sense of security.

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Kim Hanney

When you can come and visually, you see the impact you can make on somebody's life in, you know, a six-hour time frame. It's wild.

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Beth Wangman

To be a grant Thornton Purple Paladin will be transformative for our grassroots organization.

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Lamont Montgomery

Whoa!

They got both of my babies right there.

In life. You know, you have those moments where you can always remember. This one right here. I will always remember this.



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