## Lives are Changing at CP in February 2013



"I want to thank everyone for everything they have done for me. I was homeless and without a lot of things and thanks to Miss Patty and her co-workers at Carpenter's Place, I am very grateful. If there is anything I can do in the future to help with anything, feel free to call me."

-Willie, aged 61, after moving into his own apartment

"Thank you so much for the new glasses! I needed them and could not afford them! Thank you for doing so much for me and others, especially the Vets. Thank you also for my dental appointment; it had been years!"

-Bryan, Veterans Program

## Volunteers Showed Love at Valentine's Day

Each month, we are overwhelmed with the amazing generosity and kindness of our faithful volunteers.

This month, we want to say thanks to Rhea Hoyt and all the young people from Partners in Faith Youth Group and Auburn High School's Key Club who made Valentine's Day Cookies for our guests. They were definitely a treat!

A special thanks also goes to the youth group at First Covenant Church who created homemade Valentine's Day cards for our guests! CP Guests created their own custom t-shirts in art class at Carpenter's Place!





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Under Angel Wings

In February, we launched our new bracelet "Under Angel Wings" for Valentine's Day and sold half of our starting inventory! Since January 1, 2013:

44

The number of guests that secured stable housing (that's more than one per work day!)

12

The number of guests that secured jobs

Thanks to our amazing case management team!



"Goodness is the only investment that never fails." -Henry David Thoreau



CP Guest, Angel, was all smiles after completing his dental work!



Debbie in Dec 2012

## Training from the Community

Carpenter's Place guests benefited from training on budgeting and debt rebuilding from Leo Sisti of Wells Fargo Home Mortgage as well as education on nutrition and understanding food labels from 2nd year UIC students, Josh and Taylor.

## Welcome Our Newest CP Board Member...

We are so excited to welcome Debbie Moorman to our Board of Directors. Debbie came to CP in October 2008 homeless and in need of help. By working with our case management, she secured counseling, medical help, housing, employment, and education. Now she is independent, self-sustaining and "is anxious to give back the kindness and generosity she received."



We were so excited for AI, CP Intern and Housing Guest, as he prepared for an interview!