

# CREATING LASTING CHANGE

WE CALL IT HOME, OTHERS CALL IT HOPE.



## TFCF in Advocacy

We are so proud of our TFCF leaders for the hard work they put in with supporting the removal of ordinance # - MC - 1352, the Crime Free Program in San Bernardino. This ordinance harmed the community with forced evictions without a fair appeal process, unwarranted raids on homes, family separation, and more.

Pictured above and to the right are TFCF clients speaking on behalf of their community at the city council meeting right before the ordinance was approved to be removed! No more lease addendum, background checks, unlawful evictions, termination of housing assistance, and one step closer to **ENDING HOMELESSNESS!**



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A huge thank you to our community partners, volunteers, attendees and all who came to this year's Community Action Fair & Legal Clinic. We served over 200 people by providing legal support for those in need of record expungement, family reunification, criminal defense, utility assistance, housing and employment, and many other services!



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# CLIENT SUCCESS

## Marquita's Story



Seven years ago, Marquita was a working mother of three happy children, living in her cozy home and owning a reliable car. Yet, behind this façade of normalcy, there was a darker secret that Marquita had been hiding from the world. She had developed an alcohol and weed habit that she believed was harmless. For a while, Marquita convinced herself that she had everything under control. After all, what harm could come from the occasional joint and a few drinks? As time passed, her after-work joint and drink transformed into an addiction to hard drugs. Her life spiraled out of control, and she found herself caught in the unforgiving grip of substance abuse. The once happy mother and homeowner had become a shadow of her former self now homeless and without her children.

Guided by the wisdom of God, her daughter offered Marquita a lifeline, but it came with conditions. She could live with her daughter for thirty days, but she needed to be drug-free during that time, Marquita accepted. In the midst of a challenging first week, Marquita realized it was time for her to change. She knew that she needed more than sheer determination she needed a structured program that would provide her with the support and discipline required for her recovery. Marquita and her daughter attended church and it was there that a compassionate church member shared a life-changing piece of information with them. They learned about an organization called Time for Change Foundation (TFCF). Marquita wasted no time and called their office immediately, eager to explore the possibilities of healing and transformation. Initially, Marquita was disappointed to learn that there were no available beds at TFCF. However, she refused to give up hope. Miraculously, the very next day, a bed became available and Marquita seized the opportunity. She moved into TFCF without hesitation, determined to break free from the chains of her addiction and rebuild her life.

Marquita's journey to recovery was far from easy, but she credits a significant portion of her success to the wrap-around services provided by TFCF. In particular, the Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) outpatient classes and the Workforce Development programs played a crucial role in helping her regain her footing. She now is gainfully employed, has her own apartment and has her children back in her life! Her journey from addiction to recovery is a shining example of how, with the right guidance and determination, even the darkest moments can lead to a brighter future.



## Martell's Story



Martell's life had been stuck in a seemingly endless cycle of regret and disappointment. His criminal background had cast a long shadow over his aspirations and opportunities, making it nearly impossible to maintain a steady job and provide financially for his family. He was all too familiar with the adverse consequences a criminal record could bring, having lost an ideal job in the past due to this very reason.

In the midst of this seemingly insurmountable challenge, Martell discovered a ray of hope in the form of the Leap program. This initiative offered him the chance to acquire new skills through training, opening doors to a better future in his career. The most remarkable aspect of the Leap program was its commitment to placing individuals like Martell with companies that were willing to look beyond their criminal backgrounds and offer them a second chance.

Martell eagerly enrolled in an OSHA Construction and trucking program through the Leap program. This step provided him with the essential tools and opportunities needed to forge a successful and lasting career in a field that welcomed him with open arms. As he embarked on this journey, he soon discovered a sense of happiness and accomplishment that had eluded him for much of his life.

The Leap program became the turning point in Martell's life, allowing him to shatter the barriers imposed by his criminal history. It gave him the chance to not only better himself but also to provide a brighter future for his family, breaking free from the cycle of disappointment that had plagued him for years.

**Thank you to our Workforce & Economic Development funders!**





# Black & Brown Opportunities for Profit

## Boss Lady Celebration

The BBOP Business Academy Program participants celebrated completing the first phase of the Academy, the Build program. Many of these women entrepreneurs came to the BBOP Center with just an idea and are now on their way to building investable businesses!

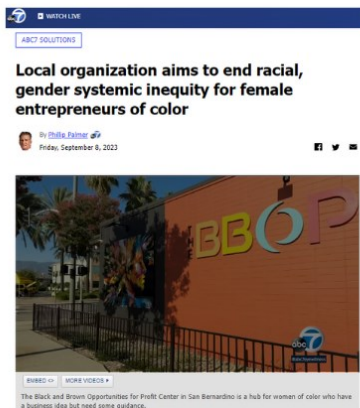
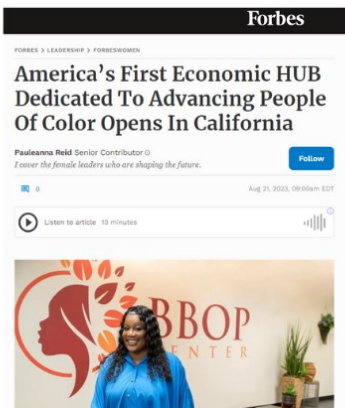


This is why we BBOP!



Thanks to the BBOP Academy, these Lady Bosses now have access to tools, strategies, and the support required to build a strong foundation capable of taking innovative ideas to market, grow a business, and/or advance a product or service.

## Featured in Forbes Magazine, ABC7, and Good Day LA!



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