



WSEM West Side Ecumenical Ministry

El Barrio Update

January 2011

January placements higher than ever!

January of 2011 started off with a bang! Twenty-five El Barrio students found employment and are well on their way to achieving self sufficiency.

A huge thank you to U.S. Cotton, LLC!

- U.S. Cotton began partnering with El Barrio in December of 2010.
- Clients working for U.S. Cotton are placed in full time positions and are eligible for benefits after 90 days of employment.
- 16 of the 25 January placements are working at U.S. Cotton.

<u>Client</u>	<u>EFS Caseworker</u>	<u>Employer</u>	<u>Hourly Wage</u>
Ruth	Ms. Valero	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Kristen	Ms. Jones	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Nathaniel	Ms. Sewell	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Lateisha	Ms. Tutstone	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Angel	Ms. Heaird	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Harold	Ms. Brown	Target	\$7.50
Theresa	Ms. Green	Renaissance	\$22.00
Coneish	Ms. Butler	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Luz	Ms. Valero	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Mabel	Ms. Valero	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Patrice	Ms. Sewell	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Penny	Ms. Nassar	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Xiomara	Ms. Valero	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Starisha	Ms. Green	CWRU Bookstore	\$7.40
Erica	Ms. Tutstone	Staffinders, Inc.	\$7.55
Ebony	Ms. Reines	Cavalry Staffing	\$7.40
Ramon	Mr. Leon	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Arlene	Ms. Whatley	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Andrew	Ms. Sewell	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Carmen	Ms. Valero	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00
Sozenichsy	Ms. Mahone	Select Staffing	\$10.00
Laura	Ms. Brown	Ever Staff	\$7.40
Valeria	Ms. White	AZ Management	\$8.50
Shawnquitta	Ms. Sewell	U.S. Cotton	\$7.40
Carlos	Non-County	U.S. Cotton	\$9.00

Upcoming Start Dates:

- February 14th
- February 28th
- March 14th
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We look forward to serving your clients, and helping them work towards self sufficiency.

Kelly's Success Story



Kelly and her supervisor, Stacey at Human Arc.

Kelly was referred to El Barrio in April of 2010 by her EFS worker, Ms. Tutstone. She lost her job and wanted to become self sufficient in order to support herself and her young daughter.

Once enrolled in El Barrio's Job Readiness and Job Search program, was able to fine-tune her workplace skills, including phone etiquette. El Barrio also

provided Kelly with a referral to Dress for Success where she received interview and work-appropriate clothing. She learned about an opening for a position at Human Arc, a local call center, through El Barrio and was hired soon after interviewing in June.

Kelly is still working for Human Arc, and she credits El Barrio with her success. "It really prepared

me—I learned business language, how to carry myself, and how to overcome obstacles," she said. "I want to go back and speak to people in the program because the more seriously that you take [the programs], the more prepared you are for employment and the next step".

