

Sweetheart Gift Basket Winner Announced

Tia Bazemore, Associate Director of Day Program

Each February, New Horizons raffles off a Sweetheart Gift Basket. This year we raised \$585, directly supporting over 200 individuals that we serve. This year's winner, Sylvia and Joseph Williams, was extra special. Not only is their daughter, Michelle Jenkins, in one of our programs, but Valentine's Day marked their 20th wedding anniversary, as well. We couldn't be more delighted to help Mr. & Mrs. Williams celebrate such a happy occasion. Congratulations!



Employee and Individual of the Quarter

Raquel Chen, Director of Human Resources



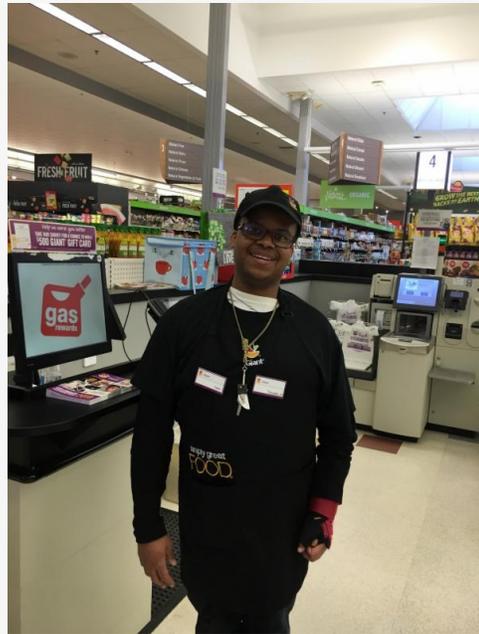
Ebony Johnson is this quarter's **Employee of the Quarter**. Ebony is a direct support professional (DSP) in New Horizons' Day Program. Each day, Ebony works closely with the individuals and her fellow co-workers. She has gone above and beyond the call of duty as a DSP, assisting her co-workers and stepping in whenever needed. Ebony is a true team player. She continues to educate others in case management and documentation and serves as a great role model to her colleagues. Congratulations, Ebony!

We are also pleased to announce that **Kevin Nelson** is this quarter's **Individual of the Quarter**. Kevin shows such dedication to his work on the janitorial crew at New Horizons. He steps in to perform his duties, even when he isn't scheduled to work. Kevin inspires other individuals and encourages them to reach their future goals. Congratulations, Kevin.

Independence after a Near-Fatal Brain Injury

Cynthia Swift-King, Associate Director of Supported Employment

From the very first time we met Edwin Wallace, it was obvious that he was a determined young man! He had survived a near-fatal all-terrain vehicle accident which left him struggling with the aftermath of a traumatic brain injury (i.e., diminished short-term memory, left side extremity weakness, and slurred speech). However, from the very beginning, both Edwin and his family made it clear that he was capable of working independently in the community with the right supports.



True to his word, and due to both his unyielding tenacity and the top-notch support by his Job Coach (Bill Lewis), Edwin obtained a position as a bagger at Giant's Food in Dunkirk soon after joining New Horizons. Edwin's supervisors, customers, and co-workers have all indicated that Edwin displays excellent customer service and is able to get along very well with his colleagues. Edwin has been at Giants for over six years! He has been promoted from a bagger to a self-check-out clerk where he is responsible for handling all of the problems/glitches that come along with the self-check-out process. Edwin is very much respected by the entire Giant staff as well as the regular customers that shop at the store. Edwin clearly exemplifies what can be accomplished through hard work, the drive to succeed, and support and training from an agency like New Horizons.

It's Fundraising Madness!



The Brackets for Good tournament tipped off on March 2 and we wanted to share with you some important links so you can keep track of the competitive giving action and get in the game!

- [Tournament Home Page](#)
- [Current Match Up](#)
- [Direct Donation Link](#)

Don't forget there are several ways you can play to help the team. Score points by donating and recruit your network to jump on our

roster by sharing why you're on our team!

GO TEAM!

New Horizons Around Town

Charles County Inaugural Reception



Members of New Horizons' Board and Senior Management Team recently attended the Charles County Inaugural Reception. Voted as the 2017 Non-Profit of the Year, representatives from New Horizons enjoyed being on hand to support this year's award recipients.

DD Day ~ February 22, 2018



On February 22, several individuals and representatives from New Horizons traveled to the State House in Annapolis to join their voices with over 800 other people interested in legislation affecting individuals with developmental disabilities. They enjoyed a great day!