



Our President
 Sylvia Johnson



Greetings....



Niola Baronette
 Highlighted Youth



Meeting Niola was very enlightening. She is a beautiful, wise and precocious young lady.

Niola attends Broward College, earning a degree as an Emergency Medical Technician, a career choice endorsed by Turning Point opening the path to professions often overlooked and under-enrolled by minorities. Niola's passion to help patients feel cared for, comes from her own childhood emergency experience. She believes that there is a need for more black and Hispanic EMT's to lower cultural and language barriers that can hinder treatments.

Niola believes that your past should motivate you and drive you to be a better person. Her ultimate goal is to be a firefighter and is on a fast track to achieving her goal, as she is hardworking and industrious. Her philosophy is that success is earned and not taken or claimed. She just received her driver's license through the Independence Drive Program. Driving will be a lot more convenient to get to school and work, and preparation for possibly driving EMT vehicles.

Niola is a proficient cook and enjoys the cuisine of many cultures especially Haitian food from the country of her roots. She enjoys movies and looks forward to traveling in the future. Her advice to the foster and former foster youth is "Learn from the past and don't make the same mistakes. Ask questions and look for the opportunities.

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Our Mission: To guide and empower our most vulnerable young adults to a life of independence and security.

Our Vision: To create a path in which all young adults are prepared for self-reliance and a successful transition to independence.

Our Goals: Turning Point is investing in and steadily improving the lives of marginalized young adults of Broward County. We are meeting their needs by closing the gaps in economics, home economics and education with pragmatic programs. Steadily, we reduce the persistent inequalities they face and empower them to be fully contributing members of society. We serve Broward County at risk young adults ages 18-24.

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August is National Wellness Month



We are pleased to announce that The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc. has partnered with Turning Point Transitional Services, Inc. by providing an annual grant of \$2,000.00. The funding will be directed towards the empowerment of youth aging out of the foster care system by helping them to develop life skills training for independent living.

In addition, Unity of Fort Lauderdale has nominated Turning Point Transitional Services to be the recipient of \$1,178.67 through the Community Choice for local non-profit organizations that have a meaningful impact on the community. We are so proud and grateful for the recognition and donation, and look forward to building on these relationships.

The support of corporations is invaluable to the continued success of Turning Point and to the meeting of its goals and proposed projects to ensure they serve the organization's mission.

Join us in celebrating National Wellness Month by donating to our young adults as they continue to work towards a brighter future. Simply scan the barcode and make your donation.



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Congratulations to Rorey Wanliss and Dolores Ott who are celebrating their one year Anniversary With Turning Point Transitional Services, Inc. as two of our dedicated board members.



Rorey Wanliss



Dolores Ott

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Teens leaving foster care face many challenges. They deserve our support while they transition to independence and adulthood. We offer pragmatic solutions to closing the gaps in education through the following programs:



- Financial Literacy 101
- Parenting
- **Employment Readiness**
- Cooking and Nutrition
- Sexual Health Education
- Driver's Education



Employment Readiness is our highlighted program for this quarter. Many young people from underserved communities deserve a chance to gain the footing they need to learn marketable skills so they can end generational poverty and compete in today's job market.

Our program is a 7 week comprehensive preparation for young adults entering the workforce with a heavy focus on gaining essential skills like responsibility, teamwork and how to communicate in the workplace. The program also partners with Career Source Broward to include successful job search strategies that lead to gainful employment or internship opportunities offered by local community businesses.

Participants of the program are expected to develop and maintain the fundamental abilities to navigate job demand such as reading for information, problem-solving, resume writing, critical thinking, soft skills, interpersonal skills and effective job search techniques.

- Benefits of the program:
- Resume workshop
 - Interview skills and practice
 - Career exploration
 - Dress for success
 - Career mentorship
 - \$70 business apparel incentive

*Thank you,
we couldn't do it without you!*

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