SAMUEL

FROM TRUCK TO TRIUMPH

HE WORE THE UNIFORM WITH PRIDE, SERVED HIS COUNTRY WITH HONOR

...and like so many, returned to civilian life only to face a new kind of battle. This veteran wasn't jobless. He wasn't lazy. He was A.L.I.C.E.: Asset-Limited, Income-Constrained, Employed.

He had drive. He had goals. But he didn't have a stable place to call home.

For a while, he stayed with friends. When that wasn't an option anymore, his truck became his shelter. Nights were cold. Days were long. But still, he showed up. He kept moving forward. When a spot opened at SEICAA Housing's veteran shelter, he stepped through the doors with one thing: determination.
He wasn't looking for a handout, he wanted a path forward. And with case managers, community partners, and his own resolve, he found one. In just three weeks, he landed a job with the county, a position that offered retirement, benefits, and most importantly: dignity. But his impact didn't stop with himself. Inside the shelter, he became a beacon. He mentored other veterans, uplifted their spirits, and helped staff however he could. Now he's searching for a permanent home. He's optimistic, motivated, and ready.

This is what A.L.I.C.E. looks like: resilient, hopeful, a mentor.

And this is what happens when a community cares.

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