

Arnetta

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Challenges in 1999:

Unemployed
Homelessness
Chemical dependencies

CHN Services:

Lease Purchase program
Homeowner classes
Money management classes

Outcomes:

Affordable housing
Homeowner
College student (Business Admin.)
Entrepreneur

Over a decade ago, Arnetta Pryor could not have imagined herself as the homeowner, landlord and college graduate she is today. Back then, she was homeless and struggling with addiction. A judge's decision to send her to treatment instead of prison was the beginning of her fresh start.

"Upon being introduced to CHN in 1999, I took every home maintenance and finance course offered," says Arnetta. She began meeting with counselors to help her overcome large medical bills after being diagnosed with multiple sclerosis.

"They helped me clean up my credit, plan a budget and prepared me to own my own home through the Lease Purchase program. I'd finally gotten the opportunity to see what I could do on my own."

Arnetta now has three bank accounts—one for her mortgage, one for bills and one for savings and emergencies.

In 2004, Arnetta decided to go back to school after 30 years. "Now I have my AA in Business Administration from Tri-C and will be attending CSU to complete my BA in Business Administration."

"CHN was always there when I needed help. I couldn't have done any of this without them."