

Dear W.C.,

The woman who cleans my office is having a very difficult time. She cleans in the evenings and last week she did not know I was still in my office when she began cleaning. She was crying as she worked and very embarrassed when I came out of my office, and I asked what was troubling her. I had to ask her several times as she was so upset but did not seem to want to share with me her problems. She finally confessed that she will be losing her vehicle because she was unable to make the car payment for the past two months. She was in fear of losing her job and her ability to support her children because her ex-husband had not been paying his child support. She also will be unable to pay rent this month because she has upcoming surgery on her foot that will keep her off work for two months. I noticed she was limping and seemed to be in pain while she worked. She is very distressed about being able to feed her children while off work and from what she shared with me she has no one in her family to help. She was very embarrassed to share this with me and apologized for telling me her problems, but I cannot get her distress out of my mind. She has always been reliable and trustworthy when working for me for the past four years. I offered to loan her money, but she would not accept my offer. I am not in the financial position to give her the help she needs to get through the next few months but I would be willing to donate towards any help that would go to her. I immediately thought of The Time is Now to Help as the charity that would be able to provide the assistance she needs.

Dear Readers,

I called the woman who wrote this letter requesting our assistance for this woman in need. As the cleaning woman was already in the process of losing her car and on the verge of an eviction notice, time was of the essence. There was a reason why this woman was crying while at work when she thought no one would see. The kind person who brought the cleaning lady to our attention was very helpful with the information she was able to share and provided me with the necessary contact information.

I called the cleaning woman next and was lucky to find her at home and able to speak as she told me she was working six nights a week and one full day and night cleaning different locations to support her family. I found she was a very hard-working woman. She had an old injury on her foot that made it very painful for her to walk and stand for long periods of time. It had finally become impossible to continue to work without having it corrected surgically.

She struggled to get by without the child support she relied on for her two sons clothing, shoes, school supplies, food and medical care. She assured me she would soon be receiving the back payments from her ex-husband, and these would help her in the future, but be too late to help right now. We would provide the help she needed right now to save her from loss of transportation and eviction.

After reviewing her budget and other financial needs, we put together a plan to get her through the next few difficult months when she would be unable to work. We paid her overdue rent and paid for two additional months. We paid her overdue car payment and paid

two additional months. We provided gift cards for food, clothing, shoes, and school supplies for her two sons and a pair of orthopedic shoes to help with her recovery after surgery. This assistance was what would save them from future poverty and long-lasting debt. It also would remove the stress of pending eviction and loss of transportation this woman was enduring.

I listened as the woman cried tears of relief and shared that she did her best to never cry in front of her children. That was why she had shed her tears at work when she thought she was all alone. We were both grateful for her kind employer who had brought her plight to our attention, knowing we were just what this woman and her children needed to survive while recovering from surgery and waiting for the child support her children needed.

It has been several months since we provided our assistance. The woman has been back at work for two weeks and is fully recovered. Thanks to our wonderful court system her back child support and current child support is being paid. Thanks to all of us working together she is no longer crying at work due to the overwhelming stress and fear of poverty.

Thank you for making this assistance and all our poverty relief efforts possible. Thanks to your compassion and generosity, remarkable things are being accomplished for those suffering in poverty.

*Health & Happiness, Love & GOD Bless Everyone, Sal*

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