

## Stories of Better – Atlanta Long Form Transcript

**Lavonna VO:** I'm at my worst point, you know, nothing can be worse than this.

**On-Screen Text:** Lavonna  
Atlanta, GA

**Description:** The video's point of view is from what might be a person walking along a road under a large roadway bridge. The video focuses on the area under the bridge close to the concrete beams. There is debris on the ground. The video's viewpoint moves past the bridge and towards the side of a road.

**Lavonna VO:** I had a work-related injury that put me into a homeless situation. The homelessness was depressing. The ability not to be self-sufficient was more depressing because I had always been self-sufficient. I didn't know how I would survive. It took a lot of my self-esteem away from me, because I felt like I was failing. My kids made me realize that I had given up. They told me I had lost my fight. And during the time I was roaming the streets, someone approached me and was like "Would you like one of these?" And I looked at it and I started to read and it was something to help homeless people get permanent housing.

**Description:** Next to the road, in the distance, there is a paper on the ground. Getting closer, the paper becomes more in view and is a flyer that has an abstract picture of a house with the text "Are you in search of permanent housing?" The video's viewpoint moves past the flyer to the pavement of the road moving by and gradually the pavement begins to move faster and faster by.

**Lavonna VO:** My survival mode had to kick in. Like the little engine I said I think I can I think I can. I worked with the program the United Way has Making Wages Work, and then I had the stability, I had income, so I could really strive to build.

**Description:** The video viewpoint moves from the pavement to a young girl riding a bicycle down the road.

**Lavonna VO:** Kassidy is my granddaughter, my oldest granddaughter. I want to be able to provide a home for Kassidy that she can run and play in the yard. It's her space.

Going from homelessness to a homeowner, that was a great feeling.

Regardless of how you fall, you can always get back up.

**Description:**

The young girl turns her bike and steers it into a driveway of a home. Standing at the end the yard near the driveway and the street is Lavonna. The video focuses on the woman. She is smiling and in the background is a house with several trees and shrubs in the yard.

**End-Card:**

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