

Kenny Brown's Success Story

Kenny Brown came into the Arkansas Workforce Center in West Memphis, AR on 2/9/2021 seeking assistance with job search and assistance with CDL Training. He was long term unemployed and homeless. Kenny was approved for Adult WIOA services, and he immediately wanted to enroll in Commercial Driver Training at East Arkansas Community College in Forrest City, AR. Kenny's desire was to have a career that was in high demand for long term employment. After it had been determined that he had the skills and knowledge necessary to complete training, WIOA was able to assist him with receiving his CDL. He and his Career Advisor discussed his barrier of being homeless and Kenny stated that he was okay for the time being because he did have a support system in place but once he attained his CDL, his goal would be to drive over the road, save money and then decide where he wanted to rent an apartment or purchase a home for himself. Kenny successfully attained his CDL and was then ready to start searching for an over the road position. His Career Advisor assisted him with updating his resume and informed him of employers that needed over the road truck drivers. Kenny did receive calls from recruiters that were interested but Kenny had his mind set and determined on the right fit for him. He was very happy to accept employment with CFI Trucking Company on 7/9/2021. He informed his Career Advisor that he is happy to have carefully considered what company would be best for his needs, he is excited for the opportunity and is looking forward to one day purchasing his own truck and becoming Owner/Operator and last but not least, he could not have succeeded in this accomplishment without the help that WIOA was able to offer him.