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Paying It Forward: NHVR ROCKS!!!

As a result of just over 2 years of collaboration between NHVR Management, Counselors and the Knowledge Institute, the Tier 1 & Tier 2 Business Development System (BDS) has helped over 150 VR Customers to generate income through self-employment! These impressive performance statistics, along with similar Knowledge Institute applications among Veterans, Native Americans,



women and minority populations, resulted in a recent visit to New Hampshire by a 10-person delegation from Nigeria.

The purpose of this visit was for the Delegation to learn more about the BDS and experience it in application firsthand. This included a 2-hour presentation and tour of the Manchester Regional

Office hosted by Lisa Beck, Regional Director, and conducted by Lisa Hatz, State Director. The Manchester Union Leader covered the story in an article titled, <u>Nigerian government turns to Exeter company to help put Nigerians to work</u>, and NH Business Review titled, <u>Venturing overseas: Nigerian educators turn to NH's Knowledge Institute to spread entrepreneurism</u>.

Nigerians face similar challenges to VR Customers and other marginalized populations. Access to traditional, well-paying white collar jobs is limited and stereotypes about self-employment and the trades have limited the scope and quality of educational training available in these areas.

Also presenting at the event, Nancy Dixon and her husband Les, shared with the Delegation their experience in working with NHVR. Through the Tier 1 program, Nancy published her first children's book, *The Cat In My Closet: Ragdoll's Trip To The Vet*, available through Amazon and local Hallmark stores. Lisa Hatz recognized Nancy's efforts by presenting her with a plaque to honor her accomplishment.



Sincere thanks to all at NHVR for helping to pioneer a new and effective approach to helping individuals with disabilities attain financial independence and quality of life. Your efforts will be influencing those beyond our borders to do the same for years to come!

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