

# CHANGE IS INEVITABLE PROGRESS IS OPTIONAL

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We cannot seek achievement for ourselves and forget progress and prosperity for our communities......

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## **OUR VISION**

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#### **COMMUNITY VISION**

As a leader of Butler Security, Inc. BSI and a former vender for Mid-City Financial/ Edgewood Management, I stand proud today with Butler Security, Inc. BSI to show support of the changes and visions Mid-City Financial has for its community. These changes will bring a diverse culture, growth to the community, and opportunity for jobs and citizens living in a safer environment.

#### MANAGEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Shah Alem, Sharon Holland, Darcia Young, Debra Todd, and Vance DeVaul—who are the members of the management team, gives their full commitment to the community, by paying attention to their needs while doing everything in their power to make the needed changes. It takes a lot for community leaders to work together, but they have found the key to their success—which is listening to their community and being consistent with their pursuit of needed changes. This management team continues to help individuals not only with affordable housing, but also opportunities for community residents to grow through educational programs and job opportunities. These are not just ordinary leaders or managers of a community. They are leaders or managers of enhancing great futures for its youth in the community, and a safe environment for its seniors.

#### **OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS**

BSI and Edgewood Management Teams came together in the past, and brought a sense of peace to the community. These two teams created a coalition, they put ideas together and made them work collectively as a group effort. Metropolitan Police Department, business leaders, council members, and members of the community had many meetings to collect ideas as to how to help improve their community. In addition, the team still continues to have these meetings for the preeminent interest of the community, the youth, and seniors living within.

#### LOOKING AHEAD

Looking ahead, I see a fantastic future! I see growth, growth in oneself, growth in education and financial means within the community. I see a beautiful change in culture not a complete change, but a more diverse one. We cannot remain complacent! Complacency is not the foundation of growth. Being consistent in following through with community goals is a better way of living. This is what I see Mid-City Financial achieving. The will to help seniors in the community, and to create opportunity for the youth has been a life time goal for Mr. Ford and his team. Being a witness and a participant in their goals while seeing results is a major factor why Butler Security and I stand with Mid-City Financial in this endeavor.

# **OUR VISION**

Mid-City Financial never underestimates its community's power, or vision to change. Having a core belief that what you contribute can fundamentally change the paradigm, or way of thinking about problems and create a better way of life.

## **COMMUNITY INTEREST**

## **Community Interest**

During several meetings that was held for the community, the questions were asked..... "What are your interests in a new community?" What improvements can be made to create a better way of living and stimulate growth and educational skills among the youth? Below are a few ideas that was presented to Mid-City Financial.

- A park where adults can play with their kids after school and during the summer time.
- Places where it's easier for seniors to walk to for shopping.
- Cafes and restaurants within the community, retail spaces for residents who live within the community can lease and begin a new business.
- A gym.
- A movie theater.
- · A community center for kids and seniors can socialize and learn computer skills.
- A place for live music where they can sit and enjoy with their family and friends.
- A safe community where seniors can walk without feeling scared of the next incident that might happen.
- A complete change from where they are now.

After hearing their ideas, Mid-City Financial implemented some of those ideas to their plans of their vision and presented it to the community. A change is coming!



# **COMMUNITY GOALS**

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#### MANAGEMENT TEAM

- · Providing a great community for all to live in.
- · Ensure safety with the change of culture.
- Taking ownership of one's duties and following through.

#### LAW ENFORCEMEN / SECURITY TEAMS

- Enforcing property rules and laws in the District of Columbia.
- Establishing a safe environment for the community and true commitment in working together.
- Promoting educational growth among the youth and activities for seniors.

#### RESIDENTS

An opportunity to have true ownership of their own home

Living in a diverse community with opportunity for jobs and business ownerships

Being able to walk down the street with their children feeling safe and proud of the community they live in

Keeping involved with community events and activities. Having their community leaders aware of their needs and progress they have achieved

Always looking for growth within the community

Change!!!!!

## COMMUNITY CULTURE

## Community Culture

#### CHANGE IN PERCEPTION

When talking about this community, people will have a NEW perception on its residents, businesses, and community leaders. The perception will be that of knowing we could not change the past only the perception of it and in doing so we had to create a new future

#### CHANGE IN ATTITUDE

The community will be vibrant with a new attitude towards its ways of living. Change in attitude also stimulates a change in the future. Change will also bring less crime, more community involvement, less opportunity for failure and more chances for employment, and a chance for self-growth. A sense of pride within one's self and a growing community.

#### **CHANGE IN VALUES**

- Citizens will have a higher standard in a way of living, setting goals and achieving them and enhancing their children values.
- A sense of appreciation towards others.
- A sense of appreciation and pride within one's self.

#### CHANGE IN OPPORTUNITIES

- · A chance to become a home owner.
- A chance to become a business owner.
- · New revenue for the community.
- Opportunity for culture change.
- Seniors of the community having a better way of living.
- Youths within the community and surrounding areas coming together sharing ideas, stimulating
  one another creating a brighter future for themselves.

#### **OVERALL**

With positive change comes success!

## BUTLER SECURITY, INC. COMMITMENT

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The BSI Team is a minority, service disabled veteran owned small business located in Halethorpe, Maryland capable of providing national security consulting services to the Federal Government and large corporations nationwide. We also provide armed/unarmed guard services to both federal and commercial clients.

The BSI Team was formed when two energetic minority owners joined teams in an effort to pursue commercial and government contracts. Butler Security's principal, officers are Ray D. Butler, Chief Executive Officer and Carol A. Troutman, Sr. Vice President. Butler Security, Inc. was founded as a protective service provider in 1988 and is also certified under the Small Business Association 8(a) and Service Disable Veteran Owned Small Business program.

We are committed to giving back to the communities that we do business with in focusing on the elderly and growing youth. As a former vendor of this community and a leader in the change process we vowed to see this commitment through to the end. This is something we truly believe in.

### Personal Note

Working within this community we heard the cry for change and helped set the path to its existence. I remembered an elderly woman living on Montana Ave. crying on my shoulders begging me for help. She stated that she was in her eighties, and all she wants to do is die in peace.

Her fear and concerns was the culture of the community not being able to sleep because of gunshots and loiters in her building during the night. I promised her that she would sleep at night. Officer' were posted in that building from then on and the greatest moment in my life was when I got a hug and kiss from that individual thanking me for a good night's rest. Image what a greater change can do?

We at BSI live and breathe security. We believe it's not just posting armed men or women out in the community but instead stimulating a safe culture and a sense of peace. We stand firmly in what we believe in and what we believe in is the Vision of the community and the path Mid-City Financial has set forth to make it a reality.

## COMPANY'S INFORMATION

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BUTLER SECURITY HOSTING YOUTH EVENTS



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