

Meet James making Dreams Come True



Many times it is not the headline story or sensational moment that marks the true personal achievement of an individual. Sometimes, as with James, it is the ongoing efforts and growth as the person strives to work hard on a continual basis to make their dreams come true. James has been on a journey many years ago when he left the Rosewood Center. James learned early on that with his quick humor and his desire to make others laugh, made it easier for him to connect with people. As he continued on his path, he was recognized for his art work, overcame his shyness to present the Governor with a rose to celebrate the closing of Rosewood, and participated in other advocacy events. James now works in a cigar shop where he greets people and helps to keep the store clean. As a result, he is also taking an increased pride in his home, his personal appearance and most importantly has grown into a person who carries on real conversations with others, expresses inner feelings, and seeks ways to help others whenever he can...a gentleman, not only of larger than life physical stature but also stature that is apparent when one's heart and intellect are given a place to grow.