

Hello my Name is Jean Carroll Jenkins

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I am a Resident of New Haven, CT. Since 2004, I grew up in West Haven, CT. and graduated from West Haven High School in 1980, I didn't go directly to College, I did a little traveling and moved to the west coast, I lived in San Francisco, Ca. for a few years, I returned to CT in the mid-eighties, and worked for Oak-Hill School-CT. Institute for the Blind, for many years as a Job Coach & Asst. Teacher helping people with disabilities, teaching basic living skills, I also worked for Institute of Professional Practice/IPP as a Job Coach & Residential Instructor, by the year 2000, I started working for ACCORD INC. in Wallingford, CT. until 2006, due to an injury, I had to take time off working, for a few years and I spent time at home raising my children, until I was hired at the City of New Haven, Traffic & Parking (Dept) that's when my journey to go back to School (College) began, I enrolled in Gateway Community College in October 2016, Part-time, under the Mentorship of Dr. Earnestine Kirkland, in the Early Childhood/Special Education program, I was able to use the Early Learning Center as a learning resource in Child development, I was offered a position after the first semester by the director Sara Chambers, as first a Student teacher then a Asst. Teacher until I graduated, unfortunately the pandemic changed everything.

I now work for First Student in Branford, CT. I have 7 special needs students that I transfer from home to their Schools.

I am a Member of the Civilian Review Board since 2019, for the City of New Haven, nominated by former Mayor Toni Harp, I'm also a member of the Dixwell Management Team since 2014, I graduated from Gateway Community College "22" with an Associates Degree in Early Childhood/Special Education, the pandemic changed my life as a Teacher, but I strive to improve the Community I live in, "Dixwell" I am a mother of 4 children, all adults, all college graduates, 2-girls 2-boys 5-grandkids, soon to be 6 (one on the way) I have 3-5 year olds-all in

kindergarten (I'm using my skills that I learned in college for my grandkids and ALL CHILDREN that NEED A VOICE) New Haven is thriving, I want to help the 45 and under thrive as well in Our city especially our young Black Business Community, they are Creative and bring a different perspective to Elm City...

I am a member of Agape Christian Center the Cathedral, I'm on the Usher Board, the Missionary Ministry, as well as the Intercessory Ministry.

Thank You

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