

{ Who are the people you see every day? }

No. 57 in a series.



# People We See

in downtown Los Angeles.

## Meet Gregory Tyrone Wright



**AGE:** "I'm 57."  
**BIRTHPLACE:** Mather Air Force Base, Sacramento.  
**MARITAL STATUS:** "I'm married."  
**FAMILY:** "I have two brothers and two sisters."  
**PARENTS MARRIED OR DIVORCED?** "Divorced."  
**EDUCATION:** "I graduated from John F. Kennedy High School."  
**MILITARY SERVICE:** "I was in the Air Force for 35 years."  
**WHERE DO YOU LIVE?** "Down near the Coliseum; 87th Street; and various shelters and hotels."  
**FAVORITE PLACE IN THE CITY:** "Downtown."  
**WHEN DID YOU MOVE TO LOS ANGELES?** "I moved down here from Sacramento about two weeks ago."  
**WHY DID YOU MOVE TO LOS ANGELES?** "I have family in the area."  
**PLAYED SPORTS IN HIGH SCHOOL?** "Yes, I was a defensive halfback."  
**RELIGION:** "Baptist... but many religions are connected."  
**FAVORITE ACTOR:** "Sidney Poitier."  
**FAVORITE MOVIE:** "Let's Do It Again, from the 1970s."  
**FAVORITE TV SHOW:** "The Jeffersons."  
**FAVORITE CANDY:** "I looove candy with coconut in it."  
**FAVORITE FOOD:** "Steaks."  
**FAVORITE MUSIC:** "Rhythm and blues."  
**LAST BOOK READ:** "A weekly magazine."  
**LAST JOB:** "I was a short-order cook and a janitor."  
**FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY:** "Rodeos and bullfighting."  
**LAST THING EATEN:** "A banana."  
**MOST HELPFUL ORGANIZATION:** "The Salvation Army."  
**IF YOU WERE MAYOR, WHAT WOULD BE YOUR SOLUTION?** "I'd talk to people about schools and jobs. I'd construct things."  
**MAKE A WISH:** "Peace around the world."  
**WHAT HE WOULD DO WITH \$1 MILLION:** "Put it in a bank."  
**WHERE WILL YOU BE IN FIVE YEARS?** "Here in Los Angeles, just like I am now, I hope."  
**ITEM ALWAYS WITH YOU:** "My money!"  
**MOST PRIZED POSSESSION:** "My money!"  
**ADVICE FOR EVERYDAY PEOPLE:** "Keep the peace, and keep smiling."

*The Club gave Gregory a Bucket and a Blanket, a toothbrush and toothpaste, soap, two pairs of socks, shampoo, hand wipes, some food, \$20 and bottled water.*  
 The interview took place March 18 at Fourth and Main Streets downtown.  
*Photos by Angel Gomez and John Hawkins.*

## Buckets and Blankets!

Join us as we help those who live on the streets with Buckets and Blankets. Donate to the cause as the Club distributes food, toiletries and blankets to those in need (blankets cost \$7 each).



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{ In this monthly feature, Club CEO John Hawkins, and Director of Member Services Angel Gomez, introduce you to people you see every day, but you might not know who they are. The Club reminds you that we all have names and stories to tell. }