$\left\{ \text{ Who are the people you see every day?} \right\}$

People We See

in downtown Los Angeles.

Meet James McCoy.

AGE: "I'm 50."

BIRTHPLACE: Indianapolis. MARITAL STATUS: "Single." FAMILY: "I have one older brother." EDUCATION:

"I graduated from high school." PLAY SPORTS IN HIGH SCHOOL? "Oh yeah, all of them, and collected a lot of trophies."

MILITARY SERVICE: "I was in the Navy for a couple of years. I went in under the buddy system. But I got injured in a motorcycle accident and was medically discharged after two years."

WHERE DO YOU LIVE? "Right here, at Third and Main." FAVORITE PLACE IN THE CITY: "Skid Row, the seafood district." WHEN DID YOU MOVE TO LOS ANGELES? "1997."

WHY DID YOU MOVE TO LOS ANGELES? "Because my mom was out here and I wanted to be closer to her. My mom was good to me – I traveled around the world twice with my parents." RELIGION: "I'm a Christian."

FAVORITE MOVIE: "*Caddyshack*." FAVORITE ACTOR: "Denzel, of course." FAVORITE TV SHOW: "I just love TV, period." FAVORITE CANDY: "Snickers." FAVORITE FOOD: "I love chicken." FAVORITE MUSIC:

"I like all kinds of music." LAST BOOK READ:

"LA Queen. It was an 'urban book'." LAST JOB: "I was a detailer of cars. I also do bodywork."

FAVORITE CHILDHOOD MEMORY:

"Graduating from grade school was a fond memory for me. It was a really big deal in my family since so many kids in my circle weren't doing well academically."

WHO ARE YOUR FRIENDS? "I have tons of friends. In fact many of them are right here, staying with me at this street corner. I'm the Camp Captain, keeping watch over everyone here, making sure they are okay."

MOST PRIZED POSSESSION: "My dog, Blackie."

LAST THING EATEN:

"I had some delicious pizza about 20 minutes ago."

WHAT HE WOULD DO WITH \$1 MILLION: "Donate some of it to help the homeless, especially addicts." MAKE A WISH: "Peace."

The Club gave James 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 Jan. 21 at Main and Third Streets. Photos by John Hawkins and Angel Gomez.



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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.