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The Right Fit

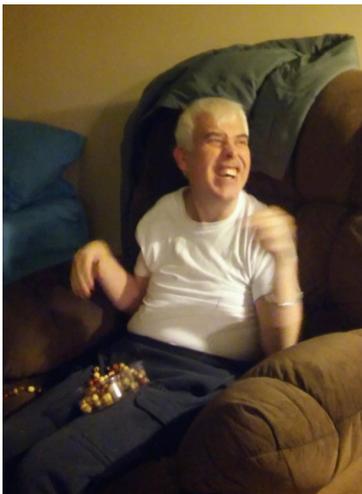
Before coming to Tangram, Shannon had a bad experience with another provider. A lack of consistency in the support he received had caused him to become hostile and a recluse. Shannon preferred to stay in his room, would not interact with his roommates, and gave up all the things he enjoyed doing. He wouldn't participate in activities and had become very aggressive with staff and his roommates.

Shannon's Program Manager, Jean Polk, remembered, "Shannon would only eat finger foods, no fruits and vegetables, and would only drink soda when he first came to Tangram. He would also get very upset about change."

No one had taken the time to understand Shannon's needs and come up with strategies to help him cope with change. So, when Shannon switched to Tangram, this became a priority.

"Tangram didn't have an immediate solution that worked for Shannon, but they used all of their resources and worked really hard to get Shannon out of his bad situation. He is a happier, healthier, and more stable person because of their consistency and scheduled approach," reported Shannon's sister, Miya.

Shannon now enjoys spending time with his roommates. They often have movie nights and listen to the Colts games. Shannon is also making healthier choices when it comes to food—he eats fruits and vegetables and drinks water and milk. He participates in activities with his roommates and tells his family how much he enjoys going out.



"Shannon has returned to his happy-go-lucky, loving self after all these years. He is so much happier and his life is fuller because of Tangram," explained Miya.

Shannon found the right fit with Tangram, and also found himself in the process. Now, *that's* a success story!

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