

Carobell, Inc.

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# **Tailored News**

## BICYCLE HELMET INITIATIVE

The NCDOT Bike Helmet Initiative is an effort by the state to keep children safe when riding bicycles by distributing helmets to low-

income families. Following an application process, Carobell was chosen by this program and given 50 bicycle helmets, with the directive to partner with the community to donate. Our Programming department teamed up with Sandridge Elementary School, furthering our commitment to community outreach.



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### NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH

National Safety Month is observed in June and reminds us to take a look at our environment and conditions to ensure safety. Whether we are thinking of work, home, or traveling, being safe should be top priority. The websites below have Summer Safety Tips that we hope will make it more enjoyable for you.

Have a Great Summer!!

 $\frac{\text{https://www.medstarhealth.org/blog/7-essential-summer-safety-tips-}}{\text{for-all-ages}} \\ \frac{\text{https://www.cdc.gov}}{\text{https://www.cdc.gov}}$ 



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#### POINTS OF INTEREST

- To donate or become a Carobell sponsor, contact us!
- For newsletter contributions, ideas, requests, or questions, email Kimberly at k.richardson@carobell.com



## CONGRATULATIONS, DR. VANESSA ERVIN



Please join us as we recognize and celebrate our very own President and CEO, **Dr. Vanessa Ervin** for such a great accomplishment!

Congratulations! Dr.
Vanessa Ervin. We are
proud of you!

## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

# Kenyatta



Kenyatta joined Carobell in 2016. She is currently the Assistant Residential Manager, ensuring staff compatibility with our members and our newly restated mission. Starting as Direct Care Staff, the opportunity and encouragement to advance, as she has, is one of the reasons Kenyatta has formed a love for us. What made the company become "home" for her is the sense of family and support. She has formed friendships with co-workers with mutual trust that she can depend on. Carobell's members have also made a tremendous impact on Kenyatta's life. They have brought forward the blessings of inclusivity, patience, care, and servitude in a way she never thought she would be able to experience.

Outside of work, Kenyatta loves to travel and is a self-described people person. She leans into her Faith when difficult times are presented and to give thanks when blessings abound. She is married to a Marine Corps veteran (currently serving in the National Guard) and a mother of four. Her favorite foods are pizza, French fries, and watermelon. We are proud to have someone as kind, strong, and capable as Kenyatta on the Carobell team. We look forward to many more years of growing together!

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Contributed by Riki Lepley

Heather came to Carobell in 2003. Ever since, she has been very active and on top of her responsibilities at her home.

She loves contributing to keeping chores completed and on schedule, such as folding laundry and drying dishes after they've been washed. Her concern also extends to the outdoors, and she always makes sure the squirrel and bird feeders stay full, giving all her friends the opportunity to

continue watching animal activity outside. Even though she is responsible, that has not diminished Heather's sense of humor. One of her biggest personality traits, she loves to ioke around with everyone, but especially when she meets new people. Heather always greets everyone with a

smile to brighten up their day.

From top to bottom: Heather baking bread with friends; Heather enjoying sunshine at the park; Heather having fun while bowling





## "Community Involvement drives Member Engagement"

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

**Kimmy** 

Sean

Annette

Richard

Lora

Brandon

Brandi

Kelly

Cierra

Derrick

Sherri

Delica

Deidra



**Staff Appreciation** Day

Carobell Birthday

## LIFEGUARD AND CPR **TRAINING**



Now that summer has arrived, new activities are sure to follow, including using our pool and several field trips. On May 7th, the Nir Family YMCA in Wilmington in partnership with the Red Cross hosted CPR and Lifeguard Certification classes.



We had five staff attend and complete this training, now prepared to assist our members in enjoying countless hours of summer fun.



## CAROBELL & SANDRIDGE **ELEMENTARY**

Carobell received 50 brand new helmets ranging in sizes from toddler to large. With help from Jacob Avery, the elementary school's principal, students were selected to receive them. Mary and Latonya joined Mr. Avery in visiting two different classrooms, letting the kids pick out their helmets personally. The remaining were distributed

soon.

Additionally, thanks to many





important and necessary.

A huge thank you to Sandridge **Programming Department for** 

from some of

our Carobell

**Programming** 

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### **MAINTENANCE APPRECIATION**

All of the growth, changes, and wonderful things that happen at Carobell would not be possible without our Maintenance Department. From grounds care and putting together bicycles, to making sure our members' home and belongings stay in tip-top shape, Darryl, Ray, and Sherriel are always ready to help at a moment's notice.

Every member of the Carobell family is grateful for all you do to make the days smoother and more enjoyable. From all of us

THANK YOU FOR **ALL YOU DO!!** 



#### CAROBELL'S MISSION

As a community service provider, we hold a passion and commitment to administering the highest quality of care and service delivery. With our dedication to personcentered outcomes, Carobell, Inc. leverages established best practices to fulfill our goal of continuous quality improvement; while implementing holistic, innovative, techniques and strategies we aim to empower our members to reach their fullest potential



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## MEMBER ACTIVITIES





With the warmer weather, our members are enjoying tons of new activities and events. Lots of outdoor activities and field trips are on the agenda, now that warmer weather has arrived and our Summer Enrichment Program has kicked off.



