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DC Bryant Hall: Lyam is just like like any other student. Uh, he comes in and sees a police officer and he's like, whoa, what's what's going on? And I'm like, hey, I'm your new tutor. And he's like, you? I'm like, yeah me. Let's sit down. He said, well what are we going to do? We are going to read. We are gonna learn things. And, so he's he's he was standoffish, he was he was kind of shy looking at me, looking at my badge, looking at my patches and my badge. He's like, is that heavy? I was like a little bit. [laugh] So you know he's just he's just sitting there and he's looking um, so so he's a ball of energy just like all the other kids. Um, we're getting focused, we're focusing in on it. At one point, it clicks and he comes through the door and you see his eyes light up. He runs over he gives me a big hug. And he looks at me saying you just you're here just for me. So yeah, I said, I am going to, I'm here just for you. And he hugs me like the tightest hug that you would think of. Like, you know, and that, you you can't explain how that makes you feel. You can't explain what that does to you. And it it shows you that you do have an impact in the community. You can do good things for people and I think that's invaluable. We need that too.

Lyam: I felt like we were going to do like missions. Like stopping somebody from robbing the bank.

DC Bryant Hall: What you don't know is that you helped me way more than I helped you.

Lyam: I don't get it.

DC Bryant Hall: You showed me that I mean something and that means a lot.

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