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**Donor # 4007
Interview Notes**

Donor 4007's unassuming nature put me instantly at ease. Nothing about him was pretentious or put-on. In his narrative he describes himself as 'all business, all the time' but I found him to be sweet, genuine and easy to talk to. At first his answers to my questions were short, but when I dug a bit deeper to ask about his family and work, he opened right up, enjoying sharing the things he was most proud of.

This donor is all about his family. His narrative explains that he comes alive at home, his wife describing him as a funny, helpful, loving and patient man. The donor clearly loves his 16 month old daughter, describing her as very smart for her age. His second baby is due in February. I asked him how he felt about having two daughters to which he responded 'ask me again in 14 years!'

When I asked about his work, the donor perked right up. He explained that he just finished the 1 year mandatory probationary period to become a police officer. He recalled the 6 months of training as arduous and rigorous but worth it. He has progressed to working in the jail system and plans to go back in to training to work on the streets of his home city. When I asked how his wife felt about his risk-taking job he said she had some reservations but had actually considered becoming a police officer with him!

Donor 4007 wore a faded powder blue polo shirt and khaki shorts and dirty white sneakers. His look was very laid back and casual and it was obvious that fashion is not his main concern. His facial features and body type could be described as a mix between actor James Gandolfini from "The Sopranos" and actor Tom Sizemore.

Overall, I would describe donor 4007 as a straight-forward, easy-going and genuine person.