

# You Tube video saved the radio star

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A homeless man who \_\_\_\_\_ on the streets of Cleveland, USA for years, \_\_\_\_\_ to fame, after a clip of his mellifluous radio voice went viral on the Internet. Ted Williams was filmed by a local cameraman, holding a cardboard sign that read: "I'm an ex-radio announcer who \_\_\_\_\_ on hard times". Williams is seen in the video asking for money in exchange for a quick blast of his "God-given voice". Now that the video \_\_\_\_\_ millions of hits on YouTube, Williams, \_\_\_\_\_ an overnight sensation.

He \_\_\_\_\_ today appearing on talk shows across America, sporting a new haircut and a smarter appearance than on the clip that made him famous.

Since his story broke, he \_\_\_\_\_ numerous job offers from big broadcasting names including ESPN, MTV, ABC, CBS and CNN and The Cleveland Cavaliers.

Williams \_\_\_\_\_ on the streets for years and \_\_\_\_\_ with drug and alcohol addiction for years.

The story of the "homeless man with the golden pipes" \_\_\_\_\_ the spirits of a recession-hit nation in the week that it \_\_\_\_\_ to work after the Christmas holidays. However, the instant hero \_\_\_\_\_ so much attention that reporters \_\_\_\_\_ digging into his background and they \_\_\_\_\_ that Williams \_\_\_\_\_ with drug and alcohol addiction for years and \_\_\_\_\_ the self-destruct button previously in his life. Asked if the media storm around him may cause him to relapse into addiction, he said, "I'm going to meetings and I \_\_\_\_\_ my sponsor."

Accusations \_\_\_\_\_ also \_\_\_\_\_ that Williams acted as a pimp during his years on the streets. In response, Williams said, "Don't judge a book by its cover – everyone has their own little story. I'm just so thankful. God \_\_\_\_\_ me deeply. I'm getting a second chance. Amazing."

There are fears though that Williams will not be able to cope with his new status as an instant hero. They say that he will be a flash in the pan; and his fairytale story is being used by the media to reinforce American Dream propaganda; at a time when America is in serious economic difficulties and the gap between the rich and poor is rapidly increasing.