READING TERMINAL MARKET
Our Ambitious Mission

Preserve the architectural and historical character and function

Provide a wide variety of raw and prepared food

Maintain an environment that celebrates diversity of our citizens and fosters their interaction

Strengthen the historic link and dependency of rule and urban communities

To achieve this, while preserving the financial viability and achieving self-sufficiency for the Market.
The Terminal has always been known as a place where anyone could expect civility. Perhaps the focus on food is a reason for this, suggesting a kind of multiethnic festival. *When diverse people are eating one another’s food, a social good is performed for those observing. As people become intimate through such shared experiences, some barriers can be broken.*

—DR. ELIJAH ANDERSON

*THE COSMOPOLITAN CANOPY: RACE AND CIVILITY IN EVERYDAY LIFE*
Refugee went from janitor to vendor at Reading Terminal Market in a year | We the People

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Meet Amina Alibko, a Syrian refugee who is a day-cart owner and janitor at Reading Terminal Market.

• On her life in Syria: “Even now, if I hear an airplane, my heart starts racing and I get scared, because they really implemented fear in us.”