

# E-40 "From The Ground Up"

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[E-40]

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It's game orienfested, size six-ex vested K-Cizee.. JoJo... that boy Too Sheezee, Todd Shaw And Earl Stevens, a.k.a. Charlie Hustle Hey Todd, you on? (Am I on?)

\*K-Ci and JoJo singing\*

# [Too \$hort]

The foundation was laid several years ago
I built a whole empire in your stereo
Got a four leaf clover representin the Bay
Oakland, Frisco, Vallejo, and EPA
We keep the shit together, let's keep it that way
From Sacramento all the way to San Jose
We in a new era, for ten years you made hits
So what's up E-Feezi? (We still the shit) Beotch!

## [E-40]

How you think I got this pot belly, overnight?
Shet a nig-ga was hongry, I had an appetite
Just like a lie to my people that's caught up in the
struggle
Motherfuckers tryin to bubble, niggaz tired of slangin
Barney Rubble, gettin in trouble and fuckin up
Parole got me makin my kids piss in a cup
It's cold, that's why I got a few bucks, I put up
From sellin greens, investing in some vending
machines
From the ground up

Chorus: K-Ci and JoJo

We started, with nothing
From nothing, we made something
Nobody really gave a damn about us
From the bottom, we started
We started, with nothing
From nothing, we made something
Nobody really gave a damn about us
From the ground on up!

#### [E-40]

From the ground up, here go some details
This verse right here was made, said strictly for the
females

Don't y'all know it's time for y'all to blow up, like Napalm

Instead of sellin Tupperware, and Avon
Get your business license, go on and put the peas in

Tell your baby to get your baby daddy to buy you a nail shop

Or a beauty saloon, since he come to be the biggest tycoon

With methamphetamine laughs and heroin balloons

# [Too \$hort]

Six po-lice pulled me over laid a nigga on the ground Searched my car real good I know you know what they found

I had the trunk, full of that junk
X-Rated lyrics, laced with the funk
No doubt, I was just about to flood the streets
Big boxes full of tapes with them dopefiend beats
Two white boy groupies, mad as hell
Black men makin mail, couldn't take him to jail

#### Chorus

# [Too \$hort]

I spent sixteen hundred makin Born To Mack
Used my niggaz gold ropes and his Cadillac
I was broke to start with, didn't give a fuck
Couldn't tell me Short Dawg wasn't comin up
When motherfuckers roll by bumpin your stuff
It makes you feel good, like when you bust a nut
Now I'm a millionaire, and can't get enough
Forty tell em how it is (way too tough Short Dawg)

## [E-40]

When I first started rappin motherfuckers would cap! "That nigga fake he sound like Woody Pecker on crack (ha ha ha HA ha)"

Niggaz would laugh and say I rap too fast way back then

But now I be catchin all kind of motherfuckers Tryin to sneak my little old style in And that's a compliment, cause I ain't trippin on the money

(what about the money what about the money)
Ask me, sheeit, I think there's enough money up in this

bitch
For all of us, we can Sasquatch pimp the system without a doubt
All we gotta be is bout our paper route

#### Chorus

[E-40]

That's real, Too Sheezee, Ant Banks, Forty Fonzarelli K-Ci and my nigga JoJo we all come from the ground up BEAOOOTTCH!

[K-Ci and JoJo]
Right from the bottom to the top
From the ground up we never stop
Right from the bottom to the top
We never stop
(repeat 2X)

Never stop, no we will never stop baby
We will never stop, we will, we will never stop
We will never stop!
From the ground up, from the ground up
From the ground up, nooo
From the groundund up, from the ground up
From the bottom to the top baby
Baby baby baby baby...

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