



Newsletter Fall 2016

# Giving Thanks

Homelessness and Poverty do not have to be Permanent Conditions

Sheneka and her family spent 8 months in a homeless shelter before deciding that Eveline's Sunshine Cottage was the right move for the whole family. She knew that her long range dream was to obtain a college degree. Sheneka also knew that obtaining a college degree was going to be an "uphill" battle. There had been years of no child support and college courses that did not come easy, thus challenging her desire to make the best grades possible. All of this pressure while holding a part time job, and raising 4 children to have strong values proved to be a Huge Challenge. Desire and perseverance paid off, and this wonderful, strong, determined Mother is almost at the "Top of the Mountain". She is in the honor society at WTAMU, is a McNair Scholar, and will graduate in 2017 with her four year college degree. She is also being pursued by colleges and universities throughout the United States to come to their college to do a Master's Degree program. Sheneka is the perfect example of the statement: Homelessness and poverty do NOT have to be permanent conditions.



## Fourth Week Pantry



Braxton Floyd shopping for fourth week pantry.

Eveline's Sunshine Cottage has filled a gap in a much needed area for the women living in our Cottage Community through a "Fourth Week Pantry". Most of us can relate to a situation of having more "month than money" or perhaps you can reflect on being a starving college student yourself. This program affords a healthy eating resolution for our moms and their children by providing fresh fruits, vegetables and lean meats, which are more expensive to purchase. If you are interested in helping with 4th Week Pantry please contact us at 806-803-9357 or email [eveline@amaonline.com](mailto:eveline@amaonline.com)



## PAST PRESENT FUTURE

One of our new Eveline's Sunshine Cottage Mom's shared her thoughts and feelings with me about life before she and her children moved into Eveline's Sunshine Cottage. She felt "lost", felt like a failure, was in despair and homeless. Moving into Eveline's Sunshine Cottage she found Christian comradery, hope, helping hands, and an answer to prayers. When she leaves Eveline's Sunshine Cottage she hopes to take with her a sense of accomplishment, a bright future with a career, and lifelong friends. **Her past, her present, and her future.**



All of our moms are changing the statistics.

# Save the Date

Eveline's Sunshine Cottage Annual

## Picnic in the Park

Fundraising Luncheon

March 21st, 2017



### BACK TO SCHOOL HAIRCUTS



Is Ayden happy about his haircut?? Yes! Denise Harley, a graduate of Eveline's Sunshine Cottage, volunteered to provide free haircuts for our children prior to back to school. Denise graduated with a dual degree in cosmetology and criminal justice.

**Way to give back Denise!**



*We are proud to announce that Eveline's Sunshine Cottage newly constructed home, was selected August Home of the Month through the Plemons-Eagle Neighborhood Association. What an honor!*

**With this construction two new families have joined Eveline's Sunshine Cottage "Sisterhood".**

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**Our MOMs are working to change this statistic!! I read an article in the Amarillo Globe News on November 3, 2016..... And I quote, " 33% of teen moms finish high school, 80% of unwed teen moms are on welfare, and only 1.5% of teen moms obtain a college degree. Eveline's Sunshine Cottage is working to change this statistic one family at a time, two generations at a time!!!**

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Large Boxes of Tide  
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