

Mary Ellen's Hearth

"... offering hope, help and healing to homeless women and children through Christian love and values."

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A Recent Success



Jeremiah Cotton was just over 3 years old when he and Sharmane moved into Mary Ellen's Hearth. He has no memory of any other home. Here, Jeremiah is in his own bed, in his own room, in his own home, for the first time ... in his own memory.

changing lives, restoring hope

The goal of Mary Ellen's Hearth is for the families we serve to leave us within two years ... their dignity and self-respect restored, and prepared for a life of independence.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Here at Mary Ellen's Hearth at Nellie Burge, we whole heartedly believe in Christian love and values. Our work on behalf of homeless women with children is more important than ever during this time. Nellie Burge was founded over 114 years ago and today Mary Ellen's Hearth at Nellie Burge remains a safe place for women and children of all backgrounds and walks of life to come together and receive various homeless services. Daily, our residents receive services from financial empowerment, job readiness, adult education/continuing education, health and nutrition, behavior education, parenting and life skills/life skills for children. We are so fortunate to have such an engaging and active community. We counted, hundreds of Advisory Board Members, mentors, tutors, volunteers, workshop facilitators, and more have wholeheartedly invested their time, energy and donations into our program this year! We are overwhelmed with gratitude for all those who flock to our doors to help propel the status of women and children in our community! Your motivation and passion is contagious. Together, we are effecting change! I appreciate and am forever grateful for YOU! Thank you for your

continued support of Mary Ellen's Hearth at Nellie Burge!

Warm Regards,

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Mary Ellen's Hearth
at Nellie Burge Community Center

Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed. Proverbs 19:17

A look within ... At Mary Ellen's Hearth, we offer a welcoming environment for women and their children, with a home-like setting in several rooms at the shelter, which gives them a sense of belonging and offers them warmth and safety. Here, a few recently-completed rooms:



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helping to change lives

In order for us to continuously do God's work, we need old friends and new alike to visit our website, www.maryellenshearth.org, where you are able to provide renewed and sustained **financial commitments**, sign up for **volunteer opportunities** and become a part of our **mailing list** to receive our newsletter.

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