



Volunteers of America

Eleanor Corbett House

UWGC IS HONORED TO PRESENT A VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA SUCCESS STORY STARRING...MS. H

Ms. H knew separating from her husband would be difficult. With three children ages 13, 11, and 4 to provide for, many women in her situation would be forced to stay. However, it was becoming harder to hide her husband's abuse and she worried about how it might affect her children in the long run. So, she filed a restraining order and left him. With her youngest now in pre-school, Ms. H was able to work full-time and rent a modest apartment in Clayton for her and her three children. Then the family's only car broke down. Unable to commute to her job and her savings now depleted, Ms. H and her family lost their apartment. GCBSS referred the family to the Eleanor Corbett House where they were admitted in late July. Ms. H quickly found local employment; however, in doing so, she lost her benefits through GCBSS. Funds available through Eleanor Corbett's SHP enabled the family to stay until they found a new apartment closer to Ms. H's new job. During their stay, the family worked with case management to develop a housing budget and savings plan, access play therapy and counseling services for the entire family, and locate permanent housing.