

I am TIS

Hello, my name is Jennifer Cummings. I had 2 children, and was pregnant with my third child when I came to Talbot Interfaith Shelter for my interview. I was Lost, Broken, Scared full of anxiety. Not knowing what was to come. (We had been in a shelter setting before in Denton, that didn't work out due to I was still in full swing with my addiction and was not ready to stop and stay quit!)

So here we are - myself and my children have been invited to stay at the Talbot Interfaith Shelter. From that day on OUR LIVES have changed for the BETTER and I could not Thank Fran and Julie enough for all that they have done for me and my children. I have taken advantage of all the programs that TIS has to offer. I have Graduated from the Getting Ahead class! I also am a big part of my youngest sons' daycare; I am on the Policy Council with the Maryland Family Network (MFN).

I have graduated from the Talbot Interfaith Shelter program and have moved into transitional housing. I really wanted to be a part of the shelter, some way somehow. So, I started volunteering. Volunteering at the Shelter gave me the hours that I needed for my TCA. I had to apply to get assistance to be able to self-support me and my children. So, I really loved being at the shelter, giving back. I felt like I was really making an impact on the community. I was giving back where once all I did was use the system.

In March 2020 I started as a part time employee as Ms. Fran's office assistant, being her arms and her legs. I was very grateful for the opportunity to be able to be a part of the Talbot Interfaith Shelter.

As of the first of February, I became a full-time employee of Talbot interfaith Shelter. I will no longer receive TCA. This is one more thing, thanks to TIS and their amazing program that I no longer need state assistance.

Thank You Talbot Interfaith Shelter for giving me the chance to make a better life for me and my children.