

Profiles of Hope



When stay-at-home mother Peggy Askew moved to Sussex County two years ago, she immediately inquired about programs to help her with her three young children. With two children still in diapers, and her husband at work all day, Peggy felt overwhelmed and alone. She soon enrolled in Project Self-Sufficiency's home visitation program, which allowed Peggy to meet other women in similar circumstances and take advantage of the agency's other services.

Peggy faithfully attends the monthly Mommy Parties which are integral to the home visitation program. Her children have attended the Little Sprouts Early Learning Center so that Peggy could take computer

classes and work on her resume at Project Self-Sufficiency's Career Center. She has also participated in Project Self-Sufficiency's Back-to-School Fair and other events. Her oldest child attended Project Vacation during the summer. Peggy even volunteered to serve on the Project Sussex Kids parent advisory board where her contributions won her a Mosaic Award.

Peggy has a Bachelor's degree in criminal justice; she minored in Fire Science and also has a degree in automotive technology. She is looking forward to returning to the workforce once her children are enrolled in school full-time. She is open to a new career, as long as she feels that she can contribute and learn new things. "I hope to go back to work and still continue to give back to the agency that has provided so much to me and my kids. It's made such a difference in my life to share thoughts, get resources and find things to do with my children."

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