

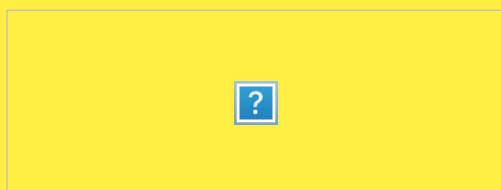


Spreading the Story of



Thursday, Oct. 26, 2017
12:00 - 1:30 pm
Younts Conference Center
Furman University

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We are thrilled to announce our first major fundraiser, the ROOTED IN LOVE LUNCHEON featuring THISTLE FARMS founder Becca Stevens.

WHY THE THISTLE FARMS MODEL?

The Thistle Farms comprehensive model offers hope and healing through a holistic residential program, employment within a social enterprise and a growing national and global network dedicated to changing a culture that allows human beings to be bought and sold. Jasmine Road has joined the Thistle National Network which is a community of over 40 sister organizations driving systemic change by connecting survivors of prostitution, trafficking, addiction and abuse to healing and empowerment. The goal of this national model is to equip survivors to lead and have profound local impact.

We have made a commitment to these three basic principals:

Housing: Free long-term housing without live-in staff

Healing: Free comprehensive physical and mental healthcare

Employment: Connection to a safe, sustainable income

To learn more about Thistle Farms click on this link:

<https://thistlefarms.org/pages/join-the-movement>

JOHN I. SMITH CHARITIES GRANT RECIPIENT

It is with hearts full of gratitude that we announce that Jasmine Road is the recipient of a grant from John I. Smith Charities for \$40,000 for capital funds designated to help renovate our first safe house. This generous gift will go towards the \$125,000 renovation project that we plan to begin by the end of the year. The renovation should take 3-4 months, and the house will be transformed into a beautiful and therapeutic sanctuary to house our first five residents in the first half of 2018. Many thanks to Triune's Deb-Richardson Moore and Beth Messick as well as the Jasmine Road grant writing team for their help in making this happen.



Only a few tickets and sponsorships remain!

JOIN US

Jasmine Road "Pop-Up Shop" Great Group Project Idea

Volunteers needed to help plan and launch the Jasmine Road Pop-Up Shop, an annual weekend long fundraising event that will take place in the spring. We plan to sell gently used furniture, designer handbags and shoes, jewelry, clothing, art and other household items, and antiques. Ashley Underwood has agreed to serve as chair - we need a co-chair as well as many volunteers. We are also looking for a location to gather, store, and host the sale. If interested please contact Ashley Reynolds at ashley@jasmineroad.org.

Furnish the Jasmine Road Home

Click the link to view and purchase items for the Jasmine Road Home. Help us create a warm, welcoming, and comfortable home environment for the women of Jasmine Road.

[go to gift registry](#)

Why Take Action?

♥ 95% OF VICTIMS IN LIVES OF PROSTITUTION EXPERIENCED SEXUAL ABUSE AS CHILDREN. (AVA INFORMATION BRIEFING - PROSTITUTION AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESEARCH)

♥ THE AVERAGE AGE AT WHICH GIRLS FIRST BECOME VICTIMS OF PROSTITUTION IS 12 to 14. (FBI WEBSITE)

♥ TOO OFTEN, GIRLS ARE CRIMINALIZED FOR BEHAVIORS THAT ARE NATURAL RESPONSES TO TRAUMA SUCH AS RUNNING AWAY OR SELF-MEDICATING THROUGH SUBSTANCE ABUSE. IN THE WORST CASES THEY ARE BEING ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH PROSTITUTION DESPITE THEIR BEING VICTIMS OF CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING. (RIGHTS4GIRLS FACT SHEET)

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Please donate now to help with the Jasmine Road Safe House renovation!

[➤ Donate](#)

[WANT TO GET INSPIRED?](#)

BOY SCOUTS AND JASMINE ROADIES TACKLE YARD CLEANUP TOGETHER

Will Sanchelli (pictured below), a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 511, proposed a landscape plan for the back yard of the newly purchased Jasmine Road safe house as his Eagle Scout project. His proposed project was approved by the Boy Scouts of America, so in order to prepare the yard to be landscaped, Will organized a yard clean-up event at the Jasmine Road house.



On Sat. August 26, after The Reverend Susie Smith offered a prayer, Will lead 35 volunteers in the yard clean-up project. Volunteers consisted of fellow members of Troop 511, their dads, and volunteers who responded to the request for help in the last Jasmine Road newsletter. This multi-generational volunteer group pruned, raked, and shoveled to regain control of the terribly overgrown yard. With four hours of work, the transformation was amazing! Now the yard has been made ready the for the fall plantings that Will will organize, and he is hoping to get the majority of the shrubbery donated. If you or anyone you know is interested in making a donation for the yard, please e-mail Ashley Reynolds at ashley@jasmineroad.org.



We are so grateful to Will and all who volunteered their time and energy to help make the yard clean-up day a huge success! The by-product of this great work will provide a beautiful and peaceful outside space for the residents of Jasmine Road for many years.



Read *Half the Sky* by
Nicholas Kristoff and Sheryl WuDunn:
<http://www.halftheskymovement.org/pages/book>

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DO YOUR HOLIDAY SHOPPING WHILE SUPPORTING JASMINE ROAD: A WIN-WIN!

The Episcopal Church Women (ECW) at Christ Church awarded Jasmine Road a portion of the proceeds from the 2016 All Saints' Bazaar totaling \$6000. For 2017, Jasmine Road has been selected as the sole non-profit beneficiary of ECW Bazaar proceeds outside of Christ Church ministries. The annual bazaar is a wonderful celebration of old-fashioned handcrafted and homemade goodies, many of which make perfect holiday gifts. Please join us November 4 to be a part of this delightful annual event and support Jasmine Road.



Saturday, November 4

9:00 AM - 12 noon

Casseroles • Baked Goods • Gifts • Silent Auction