



## **SPOTLIGHT ON OUR EMPLOYEES: Eva Cardenas**

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According to Frank O'Dowd, Director of Housekeeping, Eva Cardenas is one of our best housekeepers, who comes by it naturally and is an inspiration to others. She takes care of R and M Cottages, L Building and the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of D Building. Originally from Guanajuato, Mexico, she has been in the United States for 24 years. She currently lives in Seaside, as do her mother, father, three brothers and one sister. Eva began at Canterbury Woods in 2000, but took time off when her children were young. She has been here continuously for the last five years. Her favorite part of the job is working with Barbara Harris in the Laundry Room and she enjoys talking to Residents. In addition, to working here she has a second job. Prior to Canterbury Woods, she was a housekeeper in Carmel for seven years at a company, which rotated the staff among six hotels.

Eva is a single parent with four children: Nestos (20) who is studying Fire Science at Monterey Peninsula College, Dulce (10), Augustin (9) and Eriberto (8). She has a mixed-breed dog, Sparky.

When not working she enjoys playing with her children and taking them to the park. She likes to cook and her specialty dish is enchiladas.

Eva went to high school in Mexico. She learned English at Canterbury Woods and still attends English as a Second Language Classes here. Jack Beigle is her tutor.



Eva's children

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