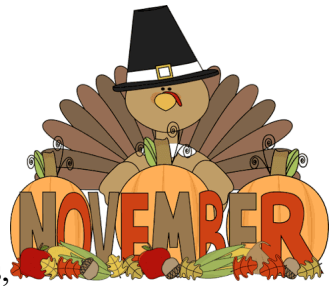


Abundance Of Love

We are a volunteer organization, founded in
The Villages, Florida, whose members crochet, knit,
loom, and sew. We create items of comfort to
distribute within our local community.
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NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2026

Jen's Corner

Dear Members, 

Let's talk yarn and money spent to date. We have purchased a total of $7,965.64 in yarn this year; we budgeted to spend $9,000. So we are within our current budget. Please know that I am very careful with Abundance Of Love money. I purchase yarn from Michaels in bulk, have a 15% military discount, 9% back in vouchers (so far vouchers total $514.21), free delivery, and as a 501(c)(3) we pay no tax. Hard to beat this!

So go ahead and keep those one-of-a-kind, warm and cozy items coming. You are very much appreciated. As I have said many times...time is precious, and we are honored that you choose to spend your time with us.

Warm regards,
Jen Smith
Founder and Outreach Coordinator

AOL Calendar
November 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	2 Everglades Mtg 10:00am	3	4	5	6 La Hacienda Mtg 8:30am
8	9	10	11 Fruitland Park 2:00pm *NEW location see below	12	13 Big Cypress Mtg 9:00am
15	16 Everglades Mtg 10:00am	17	18	19	20 La Hacienda Mtg 8:30am *at Mulberry Rec
22	23	24	25 Fruitland Park 2:00pm *NEW location see below	26 Happy Thanksgiving! 	27 Big Cypress Mtg 9:00am
29	30 Everglades Mtg 10:00am				

IMPORTANT MEETING CHANGES

* La Hacienda meeting on 11/20 will be at Mulberry Rec Ctr.
* Fruitland Park mtgs now at the Community United Methodist Church, 309 College Ave., Fruitland Park.

OUR PROJECTS

Charities List link (updtd 10/26)
Patterns - See "**Pattern Links**" page on our site **tvabundanceoflove.com**



Size Chart link (best sizes for our items)

MOST NEEDED

***For Yarn Users*:**

* **Blankets** - lap size; see our size chart
* **Hats** - for all ages. Still trying to meet last year's numbers. NO toddler size.
* **Prayer squares** - must be 4 x 5", patterns on web, templates available
* **Soap sacks and bar soap -** cotton yarn ONLY, use our patterns
* **Shawls** - lightweight

***For Sewers*:**

* **Clothing protectors** - fabric/velcro provided

NOT NEEDED

***For Yarn Users*:**

* **Blankets -** 36 x 36 or smaller baby/child
* **Buntings for babies**
* **Headbands**
* **Scarves** - see our size chart

***For Sewers*:**

* **Pillows/heart stress for hand**
* **Pillows/port covers** - kits available
* **Pillows/small -** for children, instructions on website
* **Walker bags** - Instructions available. Use sturdy upholstery fabric.

ONGOING

***For Yarn Users*:**

* **Baby sets -** Lightweight blankets ~**22-24"** to fit our packaging (NOT 14x14"). Use pastels, soft yarn. Hat/bootie sets to go with blankets always needed. These sets go to new moms as they leave the hospital.
* **Bar soap**
* **Blankets** - Large, 36x36" bright colors for children, lapghans
* **Hats/Chemo** - Directions included in each bag with yarn we provide.
* **Mats/bag -** from grocery bags made on wood looms
* **Mittens**

* **Panels, 7 x 9" -** No blanket yarn please--too heavy when joined. Granny squares not needed.
* **Peyton Project Hearts** - No need to add tags; find pattern on their website **HERE**.
* **Picc line (IV) covers -** for baby to adult, knitted preferred
* **Twiddle mats -**

Mats - Mats that work best are crocheted, size 11 x 16". Mats must be solid, not open weave, washable in hot water.

Items for Mats - Suggested items to donate for mats: large buttons, short 6" zippers, crochet flowers, thread spools, keys, small toys, textured items, etc.

***For Sewers*:**
* **Dolls, medical** - fabric kits provided
* **Hats/surgical for youth** - fabric kits provided
* **Hearts of love**
* **Pillowcases**
* **Prayer pockets** - sewn, pattern on website; kits will be available.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Dine to Donate Fundraiser, Texas Roadhouse - 11/2/26

We are having another Dine to Donate fundraiser at Texas Roadhouse on Mon. 11/2/26, from 5-8 p.m. Please mark your calendars!

CLICK HERE **for flyer (4 per page) - you must show this to your server.** We suggest you save this document on your phone to show the server; you might forget to bring a printed version with you!

De-Feet the Cold Sock Drive - Nov. 2026

We will collect socks during November for several charities. All details are in the flyer.

CLICK HERE **for flyer (2 per page)**

AOL DONATIONS - October 2026



* Items donated in October: 3,451
  - Includes 1,342 to AdventHealth Orlando
  - Hats delivered to schools so far - 4,900



Jana McGarvey, Volunteer Coordinator at AdventHealth Orlando, is always appreciative of our delivered items - a carload goes there about every 6 weeks.

THIS AND THAT

Winner of Mahjong basket of goodies - Congratulations to Paula Lanthier!



Proceeds From Oct. 2026 Fundraisers

Craft Sale 10/9/26: $4,021.50
Musical Fundraiser 10/16/26: $4,498

Thanks to everyone who helped make our two October fundraisers a great success! Below are a few pics.

Jen has containers that were left at the craft sale displays: 2 large baskets, a starfish platter & several other containers. Please let her know this week if you want them back, otherwise she will donate to the hospice thrift store.

Holiday Parties

Our holidays parties will be on these December dates:
Everglades 12/7
Fruitland Park 12/9
Big Cypress 12/11
La Hacienda 12/18

We will have our usual delicious potlucks, so bring your favorite item, enough for 6 to 8 people, and provide the recipe which is helpful for allergen info. AOL will provide drinks & paper goods.

Fruitland Park Meeting Location

Our Fruitland Park meetings are now at a new location -- the Community United Methodist Church, 309 College Ave., Fruitland Park. Please bring a food item for their food bank. A donation box is inside the entrance door. We meet upstairs - signs will direct you.
CLICK HERE **for Needed Food Pantry Items**

Spring 2027 Craft Sale

Mark your calendars - our spring craft sale will be 3/15/27 at Everglades Rec Ctr.

PICS FROM RECENT FUNDRAISERS

Craft Sale 10/9/26









Musical Fundraiser 10/16/26





Financials - October 2026

Beginning Balance:	$17,109.97
Income:	5,832.00
Expenses:	2,707.97
Ending Balance:	$20,234.00

A line-by-line detailed financial report is available from your group leader.

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