



### Congratulations Ke'ara!

In her first year with EV, Ke'ara made the most gains in her ANet (Achievement Network) scores out of the entire sixth grade at Smith Leadership Academy Charter School. Her EV corps tutor Maricela Lupercio is a sophomore at Harvard and one of our EV corps student coordinators. We expect great things from Ke'ara as she continues to work with Maricela next year!

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EVfamilies enjoy the Community Event

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# EV News

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## The EV Community Celebrates!

This Spring's EV Community Event was a huge success, bringing together EVkids, their families, their EV corps tutors, and EV staff and board members for a fun social gathering.

A special thanks to Fr. George for hosting us, to Hallie's Flower Garden for the beautiful flowers, and to the EV families who brought homemade dishes for the potluck dinner. EV staff decorated the basement of St. Christopher Church to welcome everyone.



EVkids Alexa and Wellington with their proud mom



EV corps tutors prepare the crafts table

EVkids and their tutors from Harvard and Boston College put on an evening of entertaining performances, prepared over several previous weekends, to an enthusiastic audience. Check out all the pictures on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/earthenvessels) at "Earthen Vessels (EV)"! Additional pictures on the back page.

The evening concluded with exciting door prizes for every family thanks to our EV sponsors (see back page).



EVkids Enrique and Kain enjoy a light moment with EV corps tutor Miguel Perez-Luna (Harvard '15)



EV staff, EV tutors, and EVkids worked hard to prepare a superb event



## Moving On!

Meet **EVcorps** tutor Anthony Staccone, a Harvard senior graduating this May with a degree in history as well as his Massachusetts teacher certification. Anthony has been Hector's **EVcorps** tutor for the past four years. They have worked together since Hector was in the 5th grade and they now consider each other friends. Anthony credits **EV** and its close ties to Hector's mother with helping Hector stay in school and on track despite his struggles with math (now one of his best subjects!) and writing.

**Four years together make a difference!**

While Hector will move on to high school next fall, Anthony will teach English at Ukrainian Catholic University before traveling to China to teach history at an international school in Shanghai in the Fall. For Anthony, **EV** was a fun way to give back and confirmed his interest in education. He appreciated the program's commitment to long-term relationships and its strong sense of community. Anthony served three and half years as one of **EV's** student coordinators, helping to organize his fellow **EVcorps** tutors. He especially enjoyed the community of tutors and getting to know all the other **EVkids** at mentoring events.

**Hector heads off to high school, Anthony to a teaching career**

While Hector is sad to see Anthony go, he will be matched in the Fall with his new **EVcorps** tutor who will see him through his high school years!



**EV** outing at the Franklin Park Zoo



**EVcorps** tutor Anthony Staccone, Harvard '13, has spent four years with his **EVkid**, Hector, and helped him progress immensely, especially in math, now one of his strongest subjects. Anthony is setting off on a career in teaching, in part thanks to **EV**.

## Join us for **EV's** Moving On Celebration!

**Saturday May 18, 2013. 10:00-11:30am, Cristo Rey High School, 100 Savin Hill Ave., Dorchester**

Join Angie, Anthony, and Hector and all our **EVkid** graduates moving on from high school, middle school, and elementary school, along with our graduating **EVcorps** tutors, at **EV's** **Moving On Ceremony**. Come share in their excitement and accomplishments!

## Welcome, Cecile!

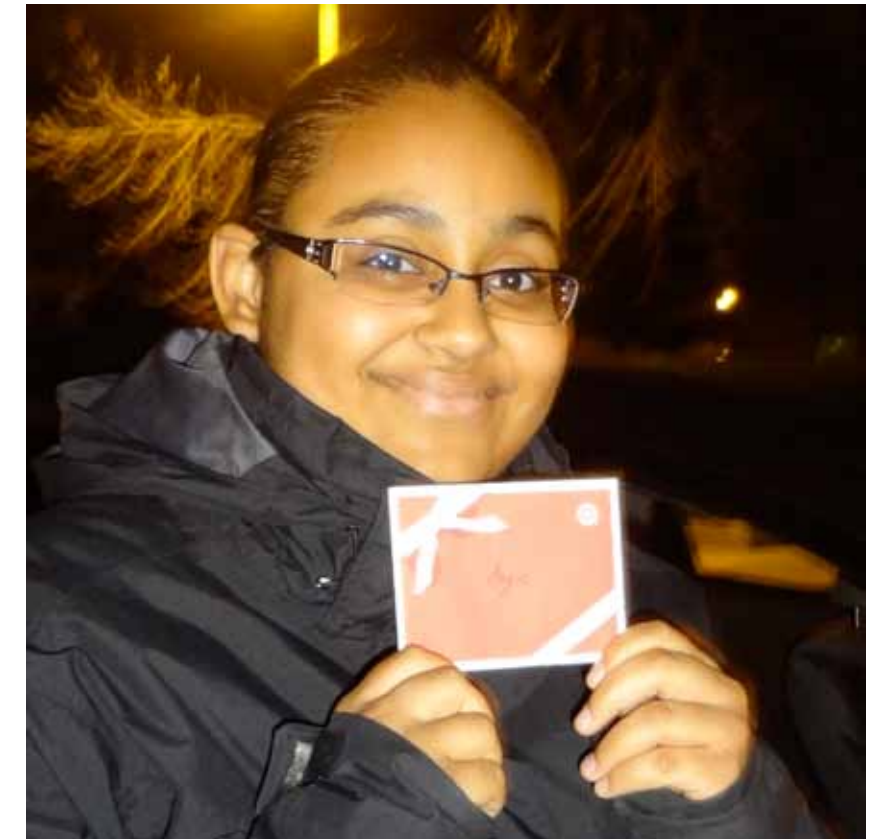
Cecile Howard joined us this year as a part-time Education Advocate thanks to a two-year After-school Time grant from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education. She is currently finishing up her Masters in Special Education at Lesley University and comes to us with a wealth of experience in the social services.



New **EV** Education Advocate Cecile Howard shares in the fun at the Franklin Park Zoo. Her balancing act now includes **EVkids** and their families!

## On to College!

Meet **EVkid** Angie. She is a senior at Boston Tech Academy and has been in **EV's** AfterSchool academic mentoring program for two years. Her favorite subjects are English and History. She also plays softball, works part-time, and participates in Upward Bound, including teaching ESL to recent immigrants. Having overcome an extended period of time living with her mother in a homeless shelter, Angie is now looking forward to attending college.



Thanks in part to help from her **EVcorps** tutor Claire Looney (Boston College '15), Angie is choosing among several college acceptances.

Angie has benefited for the past two years from the growing friendship and ongoing support of her **EVcorps** tutor, Claire Looney, a Boston College sophomore majoring in English and Communications.

**Claire has helped Angie prepare for college**

Claire has helped Angie with study tips and provided guidance through the college application process, including researching scholarship opportunities and writing her a letter of recommendation. Angie applied to 10 colleges and has been admitted to *all* of those she has heard from so far, including Suffolk University. She hopes to study computer science and creative writing.

Angie and Claire consider each other friends and the two often text each other outside of **EVtutoring**. Because they are only a couple of years apart, they have enjoyed her experience as peer tutoring and they both look forward to staying in touch.