

For these 2 moms, 'reality' comes home

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Inspired by reality television programs like "The Swan" and "Extreme Makeover," Cherise Wintz, owner of a Daytona Beach Shores salon, came up with a locally grown version a few years ago.

Since then, the program's founders have teamed up with the Millennium Woman Foundation — a Winter Park-based nonprofit organization that provides tuition scholarships to single moms — and two local women have been transformed.

In 2005, Pamela Reynolds of Port Orange applied for and won the first Millennium Woman Makeover. The then 48-year-old woman went through months of



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Pamela Reynolds, above left, and Patty Bennett, above right, before their makeovers — and after, above.

surgeries and procedures but emerged without a complaint and now is thriving in a new job, according to Leslie O'Shaughnessy, founder and president of the foundation.

The local makeover team includes Curtis Schalit,

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Millennium Woman Opportunities

Applications for the Millennium Woman Makeover will be available locally for a few weeks in the fall but women can apply for tuition scholarships from the Millennium Woman Foundation year-round. More than 100 scholarships, with an average value of \$500, have been awarded to single moms nationwide. To apply:

MEET THE REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must be single mothers and have a financial need.
SUBMIT A PERSONAL ESSAY: Each applicant writes about her life and what took her to the foundation in search of a scholarship, using the phrase "Millennium Woman." The essay is e-mailed (no hard copies accepted) to info@themw.org.
COMPLETE AN APPLICATION: It's available at www.themw.org along with submission instructions. Call (407) 628-4478 for more information.

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