

Lifeline Newsletter

Fall/Winter 2017



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MISSION STATEMENT

*The AAA Pregnancy
Resource Center is a
Christ-centered ministry
dedicated to the sanctity
of human life. We provide
resources to promote life,
teach God's design for
sexuality, and provide
counseling for post-
abortion healing*



The AAA PRC is committed
to integrity and accountability.
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Begin the New Year Standing for Life!

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday – January 21, 2018

Sunday, January 21 will mark the 33rd anniversary of the National Sanctity of Human Life Day. On January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court issued a ruling known as Roe v. Wade that guaranteed women access to abortion. In 1984 President Reagan, who was a strong pro-life advocate, issued a proclamation designating Sanctity of Human Life Day to be the third Sunday in January.

Would you help us preserve the sanctity of human life? The AAAPRC provides free resources to mothers and fathers so that they can navigate this new world of pregnancy and parenthood.

Baby Bottle Campaign – January 21 to February 25, 2018

Why not join with other churches in your area and participate in a Baby Bottle Campaign to support the ministry of The AAA Pregnancy Resource Center. For more information contact our Baby Bottle Coordinator, Lise Brockman at 734.425.8060, ext. 220 or prcdevelopment@sbcglobal.net. Thank you!



Pro-Life Apologetics Workshop with Nationally-Known Speaker: Mike Spencer

We are thrilled to announce that back by popular demand, Mike Spencer will be facilitating a free workshop for YOU! If your heart is strongly prolife, but your words sometimes do not match or keep up with your heart, please plan to join us for this 2-hour workshop in January. You will leave empowered to confidently and compassionately stand for the unborn.

January 27, 2018, 10a – noon
Northville Christian Assembly
(41355 W. 6 Mile Road in Northville)
Light refreshments will be served

For more information or to register, contact Peggy Roberts at
734-425-8060, ext. 202

Our Volunteers are the Best!

"I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus." - 1 Corinthians 1:4

Every day, many people volunteer their time for this ministry. Whether you have volunteered through a church group, organization, or as an individual, we take this opportunity to say THANK YOU! This ministry is not possible without your willing hearts, time, talents and dedication!

Welcome our new volunteer, Lise Brockman.

Volunteer Spotlight: Sandy Rogala



Sandy Rogala
Baby Shop Keeper

"I have always been prolife and wanted to do some volunteer work where I could help promote all life from conception to natural death. I had been praying outside a few local abortion clinics every Saturday and found it to be worthwhile but at the same time a very sad place to be. Young women and sometimes young men going into the clinics and not being able to reach them and share the Good News of Jesus and the sanctity of life. I knew I had to find somewhere to volunteer where life is valued and celebrated. AAAPRC was a perfect match for me and I've found a real place to be able to help families as well as volunteer with amazing people who are like minded. I'm still praying at the abortion clinic but I now feel even more convicted to stand up for life and offer assistance when I can. Every time I enter the doors at the Center I feel blessed to be there and see what God has in store for me."

Volunteer Position Available: Client Social Media Coordinator

Are you highly knowledgeable on social media sites and have the ability to manage them from both desktop and mobile devices? The Client Social Media Coordinator (CSMC) will be responsible for updating and posting on the AAA Pregnancy Resource Center's client Facebook and Twitter. The CSMC will also be responsible for future social media outlets, like Instagram and Snapchat. Please contact the center at 734-425-8060, ext. 220 for more information or to apply!

We offer volunteer orientations every month as an opportunity for you to find out more about the ministry and how God may want to use you here. Call us at **734.425.8060** to reserve your spot in the next orientation, or go to friendsofaaprc.com for more information about all of our volunteer opportunities!

From the Director

It is an absolute blessing for me to serve with each of you in protecting life! Your notes, cards of encouragement and prayers are greatly appreciated. As I look into 2018, I am excited to share a few things.

Thank you to each of you that support this ministry through your Kroger shopping. The revenue we receive through their community rewards program is huge and continues to grow... wow!

The response to Mike Spencer, our 2017 banquet keynote speaker, was overwhelmingly positive and so we will be bringing him back on January 27 to facilitate a 2-hour prolife apologetics workshop. For those of you that may get a bit tongue tied when speaking with family members or friends on prolife issues, this workshop is for you! Please see all the details in the article on page 1 of this newsletter.

Also in 2018, Phase II of the building renovations will begin. We are extremely excited and yet, we are aware that working around renovations will indeed be challenging (both for staff and contractors). We are anticipating all that God has in mind for this ministry moving forward. After the construction is complete, I hope many of you will be available to join us for an Open House on Tuesday, April 17th!

I wish each of you and your families a wonderful Christmas season and a healthy 2018!

Thank you for your partnership!

Building Renovation: Phase II

Just as we are wrapping up 2017, we received the wonderful news that a grant has been approved and in January of 2018, we will begin the renovation to complete the needed updates to this building! These Phase II renovations will make this location truly "home" for The AAA Pregnancy Resource Center. Renovations will begin early in January and continue through March.

If you have donations to drop off or would like to stop by the center during this time, I encourage you to give us a quick phone call as our hours may need to be adjusted during the renovation.

We know that this new beautiful building has been provided by God for a purpose, His purpose. Please be in prayer with us as we seek to follow His plan through all the changes, knowing that He is the leader and all of us are simply following His lead!

Serving for His Glory,

Peggy Roberts

Speaking About AAAPRC...

On occasion, churches, schools and organizations will ask us to come and speak about our ministry. We are so grateful for their outreach! We would like to thank the following churches for these special opportunities this last quarter!

- Oakland Hills Community Church | May 9, 2017 | A very special thank you to OHCC for hosting a baby shower for the center including providing a great dinner for all who attended! Many great gifts were collected to keep our baby shop shelves stocked for our clients. Our Client Services Director, Jan Rozenboom, along with volunteer, Nancy Stelmaszek and one of our clients were speakers at the event. Thank you, Oakland Hills, for your ongoing support of this ministry!
- LifeChurch | October 28-29, 2017 | Thank you to LifeChurch for inviting us to participate in the Compassion Fair where we were able to host a table and share with participants about the AAA PRC. We even had several individuals sign up for more information about volunteering at the center! What a great event! Thank you for inviting us to be a part of it!
- Knights of Columbus Council #8284 | November 15, 2017 | Many thanks to Knights of Columbus, Grand Knight, Mike Goodhart and St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church for inviting us to share more about the AAA PRC. Thank you, Nancy Austin, for sharing with this group who have been such strong, faithful supporters of this ministry for many years!

For more information about having a representative from AAAPRC come speak at your church or event, please contact Peggy at 734.425.8060, ext. 202!

Thank you: The Lloyd and Mabel Johnson Foundation

This foundation has been a huge blessing to the ministry. They have worked with us over the last several years and have helped financially and with planning and shared wisdom to move the building project forward. Thank you- Board of Directors!



Annual Fundraising Banquet a Huge Success!

We gathered at Burton Manor on Thursday, October 5th to celebrate Life and hear Mike Spencer, from the Life Training Institute share a powerful message about how each one of us can defend Life in our everyday lives and conversations. Together, we raised over \$75,000 to continue providing help and hope and God's design for life and relationships to the men and women who come to us for help!



A big thank you to each one of you for your support of this ministry—financially and prayerfully! The Annual Fundraising Banquet could not have happened without you. **Thank you!!**

Baby Bottle Campaign

Thank You

Many thanks to St. Edith Catholic Church for hosting a special baby bottle campaign during the month of October in honor of Respect Life Sunday!

If your church or organization is interested in hosting a Baby Bottle Campaign, please contact our Baby Bottle Coordinator, Lise Brockman at 734.425.8060, ext. 220 for more information. Thank you!

Thank you to the Livonia AM Rotary

Thank you so much to the Livonia AM Rotary and club president, Jeff Adams for inviting us to be a part of their Annual Change of Officers Dinner and for surprising us with a gift of support for the center! We truly appreciate your ongoing support!

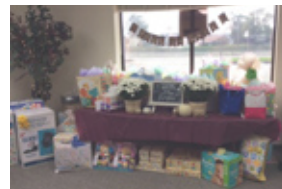
An Abundance of Gifts To AAAPRC



St Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church collected many baby items for the center through a "drop-off" baby shower on December 11th.



Hosanna Tabor Lutheran Church held a diaper and nursing pad drive for the center during the month of September!



The Impact Group hosted an "in-house" baby shower at the center on October 28th for one of our moms having twins. This new mom was certainly showered by your love and generosity!



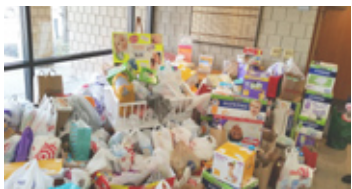
Church of Christ in Livonia provided Thanksgiving help to the moms who attend class off site at their church. You bless our clients in so many ways!



The Alpha Glow Ladies held their dinner and raffle on December 1st donating all proceeds from this event to the center!



St. Kenneth Catholic Church held their Right to Life giving crib baby shower to benefit the center. On April 2nd, they dropped off over 800 baby items to stock our baby shop shelves!



Saint Aidan Catholic Church provided Thanksgiving meals with all the trimmings, as well as additional pantry items for 10 of our clients and their families. Saint Aidan also helped these families to provide Christmas for their children.

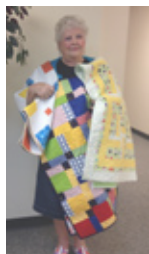
St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton provided many baby items for our shop through a "drop-off" baby shower on December 5th!



Heart for Him Ministries hosted their annual baby shower in support of the center on December 7th. Many items were collected for babies and families, and the event was beautiful! A very special thank you to the men for holding a diaper drive collecting an abundance of diapers!



9 Patchers and Kindred Spirits made beautiful homemade quilts to keep our babies warm just in time for the cold Michigan weather!



Grace Christian Fellowship held their Annual Grace Christmas Tea Fellowship and Baby Shower on December 1st.



Many baby items were collected for the center, and the event was wonderful!



Thank you for all the ways you give, love, support and bless us! These encouragements means so much!

FREE and SIMPLE Ways to Help AAAPRC!

In-store Shopping

Shop With Scrip! It has never been easier to raise funds while you shop. The AAA Pregnancy Resource Center will earn funds instantly when you use gift cards to pay for everyday purchases, like gas, groceries, clothing, restaurants, and gifts, almost anything you need to purchase. Please contact Peggy Roberts at 734-425-8060, ext. 202 for more information.

Kroger So far in 2017, Kroger shoppers have already raised \$2,517.80...what a blessing, and how simple! We know there are more Kroger shoppers out there! Please join us, and visit krogercommunityrewards.com to enroll and support the AAAPRC while doing your regular grocery shopping! Thank you, shoppers!

Online Shopping

AmazonSmile Did you know you can support AAAPRC when you shop on Amazon! Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center whenever you shop on AmazonSmile. Visit smile.amazon.com or go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7299199>. (Just be sure to do your shopping through the website, NOT on your mobile app, as donations do not apply on mobile app purchases.) \$296.01 has been raised since we began in 2015. Please help us increase fundraising through Amazon by joining AmazonSmile today!

iGive Visit iGive.com and sign up to support AAAPRC while you shop online. We raised \$25.10 so far in 2017! Simply sign up at iGive.com...what an easy way to give!

Thrivent Members

Thrivent Financial The Thrivent Choice program helps Thrivent members make a positive impact in their communities. By participating in Thrivent Choice®, participants choose the AAA Pregnancy Resource Center as their charity. So far for 2017, we have received \$355!

Through your company

Good Done Great! Good Done Great is a Certified Benefit Corporation dedicated to making a lasting impact partly by increasing funding to deserving nonprofit organizations through their collaboration with givers and businesses (employees and employers.) Companies match employee donations to designated charities through signing up at gooddonegreat.com. Find out if your company is already a charity administrator, and then sign up at gooddonegreat.com. So far in 2017, we have received \$1185.60 in donations and employer matches!

Using a credit card

Capital One You can use your Capital One credit card rewards to support AAAPRC. Login to your account and click on your rewards (miles). Where it says Redeem, choose Charities under Other. Search for us by typing in AAA Pregnancy. We will be the first to pop up. Thank you!

From our website

Online Giving Page Giving is easy and secure on our online giving page. You can give a one-time donation to a specific area of the ministry or set up a recurring donation. You can also set up an online giving account to keep track of your giving online. Just go to friendsofaaprc.com, click on DONATE from the home page, then click on the DONATE NOW button to access our online donation page.

If you have questions about using any of these options for supporting AAA PRC, please contact Lisa at prcadmasst@sbcglobal.net or 734.425.8060, ext. 207.

Thank you for changing and saving lives!

So Far This Year...

- 598+ classroom visits
- 578+ packages of diapers distributed
- 262+ new clients
- 253+ pregnancy tests
- 50+ births recorded
- 75+ sonograms

Client Corner

Clients are given the opportunity to complete Bible studies as a way to earn additional items for their babies each month. Here are some of the most important lessons clients are learning through their studies:

"I learned that God loves us all and wants us to focus on Him."

"That God will always be around but if I am going in the wrong direction [I need to] turn around."

"To discipline myself more in every area of my life. Help me, Jesus--I can do it!"

"It will not be all smooth but God will be there the whole way."

"To repent means to turn around from sin and we must do this daily."

"We can only be saved by believing in the Lord Jesus Christ, who is at the right hand of God, yet He is Emmanuel, God with us."



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Alternative Answers to Abortion Pregnancy Resource Center

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IMPORTANT!

- Pro-Life Apologetics Workshop (page 1)

Material Needs:

- Diapers: sizes newborn, 4, 5, & 6
- Baby bath products: powder, lotion, oil, wash, shampoo, rash ointment
- Seasonal maternity clothes

Volunteer Opportunities:

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Upcoming AAAPRC Events

Sanctity of Human Life (SOHL) Baby Bottle Campaign | **01.21.18**
through **02.18.18** | contact Lise Brockman for more details

Pro-Life Apologetics Workshop | **Saturday, 01.27.18** |
with Mike Spencer!

AAA PRC Open House | **Tuesday, 04.17.18** | contact Peggy for more details

Spring Race at Nankin Mills on Hines Drive | **Saturday, 05.12.18** |
contact Peggy for more details

Annual Fundraising Banquet | **Thursday, 10.18.17** |
with keynote speaker, Lee Strobel!

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