

### 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.

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## 2018 Race for Life - Saturday, May 12th

We are excited for our Annual Race for Life, featuring Tom Jordan, morning anchor for WWJ Newsradio 950, as our Race Announcer! Join us for this fun day together as we raise funds to support our work!

#### **Event Details**

5K/10K Chip-Timed Run 5K Un-timed Walk Nankin Mills | Hines Park | Westland

### **Event Schedule**

Race Day Check-in: 8-9:00 am Race Begins: 9:15 am

All-U-Can-Eat Flying Flapjacks:

10 am-12 noon



#### **Event Fees**

## 5K/10K Chip-Timed Race for Life

	Early-Bird*	After April 23rd
5K	\$35	\$40
10K	\$45	\$50

5K & 10K registrations include All-U Can-Eat Flapjacks & FREE t-shirt Early-Bird Registration guarantees selected t-shirt size

#### Walk for Life

Walker	\$10
T-shirt	\$10

Walker registration includes All-U-Can-Eat Flying Flapjacks!

To Register: Register now online:

friendsofaaaprc.com or Facebook.com/AAA RaceFor Life.

Upon completing your registration, please watch the short video on how to set up your Fund Easy page making your fundraising fast and easy.

Please contact Peggy at 734.425.8060, ext. 202 with any questions or to sponsor the event. We look forward to seeing you there!

## SAVE THE DATE!

2018 Annual Fundraising Banquet with Lee Strobel Thursday, October 18th at Burton Manor in Livonia

Atheist-turned-Christian Lee Strobel, the former award-winning legal editor of The Chicago Tribune, is a New York Times best-selling author of more than twenty books including The Case for Christ.



## Worship with Us

featuring Mark Schultz sponsored by Thrivent Community, Livonia Saturday, August 25th at Ward Church in Northville

Tickets are free but registration is required. Watch your email for more details!

Thrivent Community Livonia has graciously invited the AAA Pregnancy Resource Center to be a part of this fundraising evening. We will be one of several ministries represented and guests will be asked to choose a ministry to donate to in lieu of their ticket price. We will also have a table at the event to provide information to those in attendance. Please join us and invite others who do not yet know about this ministry.

Mark Schultz songs include: Walking Her Home, He's My Son, When Love Was Born, I Am, Letters from War, and many more. We look forward to seeing you there!

# **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!

**January 6, 2018** | Thank you to **St. Thomas A'Becket Knights of Columbus Members** who signed up for a tour after hearing one of our Board Members speak at their K of C meeting last year. Thank you: Duke Hynek, Mike & Theresa Goodhart, Joe & Sue Nader, Ed & Sabrina Queen, for taking the time on a Saturday Morning to learn more about all that God does in and through this ministry! It was a pleasure meeting and visiting with each of you and thank you to the Knights of Columbus for your partnership!





**January 11, 2018** | **Plymouth Kiwanis** was kind enough to invite us to speak at their January board meeting. Peggy shared a video explaining all that this ministry provides. The group was very welcoming and it was a pleasure to have this opportunity to share about God's work. Thank you Christie Valli for the invitation and to Tom Grabowski, as well as the current President, John Filios for this opportunity.

**January 13-14, 2018** | **St. Michael's of Canton** invited us to present at all three services during their Mission Partners series. We were there along with Hope Clinic and Samaritas services. Thank you, Pastor Dave for your faithful partnership and all the members of St. Michael's of Canton for their giving and volunteer hours invested here and their hearts to save lives!

If you have any questions or need more information about having a representative from AAAPRC come to speak at your church or event, or to schedule a tour of the center, please contact Peggy at 734.425.8060, ext. 202.

## **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:

"That we all have fallen short and as I continue my journey, I can accept Jesus in my heart fully instead of portions."

"How we came into sin because of disobedience to Christ and the consequences behind it."

"Repent and forgive so the heart doesn't grieve; adore God now, and ask God for all your needs."

"God has never left or forsaken me, even at my darkest moments."

## So Far This Year...

Thanks to your generosity, we've had the blessing of serving many people already this year...

162 classroom visits

69 packages of diapers

73 new clients

65 pregnancy tests

7 births recorded

26 sonograms given

# 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!



# 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!

To see a list of other volunteer opportunities, please visit our website at friendsofaaaprc.com and click on the Volunteer tab. You can also take the first step by joining us for our next Volunteer Information Meeting, which takes place the second Tuesday of each month from 1:00-3:00pm. Please call 734-425-8060 to sign up.

## **SOHL & Lenten Baby Bottle Campaign**

**Sunday, January 21, 2018** was Sanctity of Human Life (SOHL) Sunday. Many of our supporting churches spoke about defending life and participated in a baby bottle campaign to support the ministry of *Life* here at the AAAPRC.



#### We cannot thank these churches enough for their kind generosity and faithfulness!

Bethany Bible Church

Christ Church of Redford

Covenant Community Church

Dunning Park Bible Chapel

Fair Haven Assembly of God

Grace Baptist Canton

Grace Christian Fellowship

Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church

Kiwanis Plymouth

LifeChurch Canton

Memorial Church of Christ

Oakland Hills Community Church

Plymouth Christian Fellowship

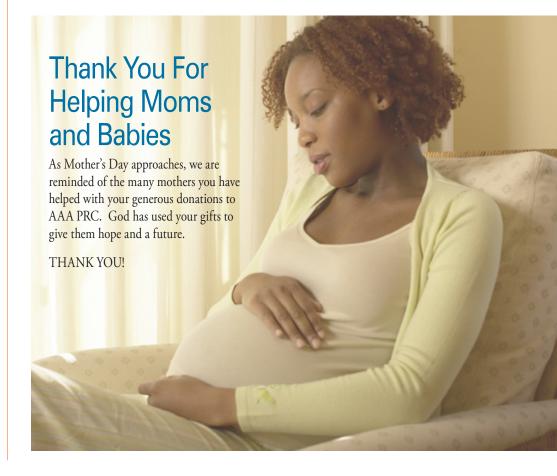
Sacred Heart Byzantine Church

St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church

Warren Road Light & Life FMC

Woodside Bible Church in Plymouth

If your church or organization is interested in hosting a Mother's Day - Father's Day Baby Bottle Campaign (Sunday, May 13, 2018 to Sunday, June 17, 2018), please contact Lise Brockman at 734.425.8060 or prodevelopment@sbcglobal.net. Thank you!



# **FREE** and **SIMPLE** Ways to Help AAAPRC!

**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. Contact Peggy at 734-425-8060, ext. 202 for more information.

**Kroger Calling all Kroger shoppers!** Visit <u>krogercommunityrewards.com</u> to enroll and support the AAAPRC simply while doing your regular grocery shopping! So far in 2018, shoppers have raised <u>\$680.54</u>! Please join with us, and thank you, shoppers!

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 <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com">smile.amazon.com</a> or go to <a href="https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7299199">https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7299199</a>. (Just be sure to do your shopping through the website, NOT on your mobile app, as donations do not apply on mobile app purchases.) Please help us increase fundraising through Amazon by joining AmazonSmile today!

**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!

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.

**iGive** Visit iGive.com and sign up to support AAAPRC while you shop online. Simply sign up at iGive.com...what an easy way to give!

**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.

**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 <a href="friendsofaaaprc.com">friendsofaaaprc.com</a>, 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 <a href="mailto:preadmasst@sbcglobal.net">preadmasst@sbcglobal.net</a> or 734.425.8060, ext. 207.

Thank you for changing and saving lives!

# Thank You So Much for Giving!

January 31, 2018 Thank you to the Catholic Youth Organization and Stephen Kurt and Diana Devine who dropped off cash donations and many diapers, wipes and blankets collected at their Rainbow conference. Thank you!

March 19, 2018 | Thank you to

St. Kenneth Catholic Church who
dropped off over 600 items from
their annual Right to Life baby
shower in support of the center.
Thank you, St. Kenneth's for
keeping our baby shop
shelves stocked!



March 26, 2018 | **St. Aidan Catholic Church** provided Easter meals along with other food items for 10 clients and their families.

Thank you, St. Aidan's for blessing our clients so!

March 12, 2018 **St. Paul Lutheran Church** in Farmington Hills
blessed us with many generous
items from a baby shower drop off!
We appreciate all your work on
this, thank you!.





## Phase II Building Renovations Are Under Way!

On April 9 we began Phase II renovations to begin! This will finalize our new "home" on Schoolcraft. Construction will take place from April 9 through July 9th. Staff will be working administratively during construction, however, the center will be open to see clients Monday through Thursday, from 5 – 8 pm. All services will continue to be offered to clients during this time.

Please note: The Open House, previously scheduled in April, is cancelled due to the construction schedule. Also, for your convenience, during this time, please call in advance before visiting the center.

We appreciate your patience.



# How your generosity gave us a chance to speak into the lives of a young girl and her mother

The client was 14 years old. Her mother waited as her daughter went into the counseling room with one of our trained associates. She was here for a pregnancy test...at 14. Her mother waited silently, she already knew that her daughter was pregnant. They were here to confirm it and try to figure out what to do next. The

mother did not like the boy that her daughter has started spending all of her free time with and her daughter was different now. "She is no longer interested in the same things as she was before, this boy is not a good influence on her."

I went to the mother and asked how she was doing... just at the question, the tears began to fall from her tired looking eyes. I invited her to join me in a more private

room so she and I could talk. She welcomed the information that I was able to share with her ... most importantly, it helped for her to have impartial ears to speak to. By the time they left our building that day, both mom and daughter had the opportunity to gain information and the opportunity to share their hearts without any judgment, but received with love. We all prayed together.

They returned later that week with other family members for an

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ultrasound. I hugged each member and had the opportunity to share with them that they are not alone in this....we are here to help each of them as they need us! We are here for the entire family!

I wish I could share a very happy ending at this point, but unfortunately, this is the nature of our business. We do not necessarily always know the outcome. We are here to help, to pray, to share God's wisdom and local resources. We do not, however, always know where that leads. We do what we are called to do, then we leave the outcome up to God.

Thank you for your huge part in each opportunity we are given.



Serving together for His Glory, Peggy Roberts Executive Director

# Lifeline Newsletter

Alternative Answers to Abortion Pregnancy Resource Center

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## **IMPORTANT!**

## Material Needs:

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

# Volunteer Opportunities:

We offer volunteer orientations monthly as an opportunity for you to find out more about the ministry and how God may want to use you here at the center.

Call us at 734.425.8060 to reserve your spot in the next orientation, or go to friendsofaaaprc.com for more information about all of our volunteer opportunities!

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# **Upcoming AAAPRC Events**

Race for Life | 05.12.18 | contact Peggy for more details

Mother's Day/Father's Day Baby Bottle Campaign | 05.13.18 through 06.17.18 | contact Peggy for more details

Worship with Us | 08.25.18 | featuring Mark Schultz

Annual Fundraising Banquet | 10.18.18 | with keynote speaker, Lee Strobel!

March for Life 2019 | 01.18.19 | Washington, D.C

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