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Crossroads Pregnancy Resource Center Newsletter



MISSION STATEMENT

Crossroads Pregnancy Resource Center is a Christian organization that promotes the sanctity of life by providing caring services to pregnant women in crisis within our area. Our staff provides education, guidance, and spiritual support especially to those considering abortion or other alternatives in a spirit of compassion, love, and grace.



SAVE THE DATE!

Crossroads will be participating this year in the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux's Annual #iGiveCatholic Day on December 1, 2020.

Volunteer Spotlight

Thank you, **Emily Chiasson**, for your YES to the Lord! Your service to EDW Right to Life Club & to Crossroads has played an important role in our LIFE affirming ministry. Your commitment is appreciated! God bless you!

2nd Annual
Respect Life Event
—join us Online

You're invited to join us "virtually" on Tuesday, September 22nd at 7PM for a joyful evening with
Featured Speaker: Shawn Carney!
Author & CEO, President, & Co-Founder of 40 Days for Life

Register online for FREE:
[respectlife2020-crossroadsprc.lpages.co/virtual-respect-life](https://www.respectlife2020-crossroadsprc.lpages.co/virtual-respect-life)



Online Program ~

- Welcome Michele Beary, Director
- Invocation Bishop Shelton Fabre
- Special Message EDW Right to Life Club
- Featured Speaker Shawn Carney
- Closing Prayer Rev. Vic DeLa Cruz

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Rev. Vic DeLa Cruz

Letter From The Director

Dear Friends,

When Crossroads Pregnancy Resource Center (CPRC) started the new year, we had no idea what the next 9 months would bring: coronavirus, quarantines, canceled fundraisers, canceled outreach events, national protests, and more. **While we have been living in unpredictable times, several things have been constant: unplanned pregnancies have continued, our supporters have been faithful to our ministry, and God has been good.**

I want to personally thank you for your commitment to and support of Crossroads Pregnancy Resource Center. In this challenging season, the consistent generosity of people like you has been a strong encouragement. Thank you!

We always strive to remain good stewards of your generous donations. The COVID-19 quarantine has challenged us to be more flexible and innovative in reaching and serving the women most at risk for abortion. Below are a few changes we have implemented over these past few months:

Telehealth Technology: Amid the COVID-19 quarantine, CPRC was able to turn challenges into opportunities by rolling out a telehealth option as part of our patient process. Clients still must come in the office for pregnancy tests and ultrasounds, but we have reduced the amount of time they spend in the office. This office visit is vital to helping alleviate the fears of women most at risk of abortion.

Online Education: As schools, teachers, and students were forced to use different methods to teach and learn, we faced similar challenges with our clients who participate in our parenting program. We were able to pivot to an online curriculum which offers even more valuable lessons for our moms and dads.

Marketing Campaign: Unfortunately, there were 8,144 abortions in Louisiana in 2019, according to preliminary figures provided to Louisiana Right to Life recently by the Louisiana Department of Health. Of this total amount, 229 abortions were from the five parishes that we serve. CPRC will continue to work hard to reduce these numbers until every baby is saved! With support from generous donors like you, CPRC was able to partner with Choose Life Marketing to create a new marketing campaign that will help us reach more abortion-determined women. This new marketing campaign is scheduled to begin in early September and will continue for as long as we have donor support. We believe that a successful marketing campaign is crucial in reaching more women in crisis.

While we do not know what this next year holds and how it may end up looking, we will continue striving to be the **first step for women facing unplanned pregnancies**. We will also continue providing parenting classes for expecting moms and new parents. We plan to continue communicating messages of hope for healthy relationships to high school and college students. Our methods may change, but we continue making an impact in our community.

All of this has been made possible by your gifts of time, talent, and treasures empowering us to make a greater impact each year. You make it possible for CPRC to provide critical support and information to at-risk moms. **You are saving the lives of preborn babies ... in our community and across the nation at an average of 29 babies per week. All glory to God!**

We ask that you join us in praying for our nation, and for an end to abortion. Again, on behalf of our Board and staff, thank you, and may God bless you and your family!

Yours in Christ,

Michele

Michele Beary,
Executive Director
+JMJ



Did you know?

October is Respect Life Month!

"We proclaim that human life is a precious gift from God; that each person who receives this gift has responsibilities toward God, self and others; and that society, through its laws and social institutions, must protect and nurture human life at every stage of its existence."

~ U.S. Catholic Bishops, Pastoral Plan for Pro-Life Activities, November 2001

Live the Gospel of *Life*

Join the Life Chain
 October 4, 2020 at 2PM on
 Respect Life Sunday

Locations in Thibodaux:
 In front of St. Joseph Co-Cathedral
 & next to Warren J. Harang Jr. Auditorium

The Annual Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life Americans standing for one hour praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills and that the Church supports the sanctity of all human life from the moment of conception.

Respect Life Month is an excellent time to initiate pro-life prayers throughout the year. Pray for:

- ♥ Women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy, that they will seek guidance from the Lord and choose life for their baby.
- ♥ Those involved in the abortion industry, that they will seek out the Lord who will change their hearts and minds to respect life.
- ♥ Staff and volunteers at pregnancy care centers, that they will seek courage, strength, peace and endurance from the Lord.
- ♥ Pro-life politicians, that they will seek courage to stand tall for pro-life, and for those opposed to life, that their hearts will change.
- ♥ Those suffering from an abortion, that they would find healing and forgiveness in the Lord.

Thank you for praying. It's the best investment in this ministry any of us can make.

2019 Life Chain Participants



Change for LIFE

~ baby bottle campaign ~

NOW offering an
Online Giving Campaign
& Donation Envelopes



Our 08/2019-07/2020 Church Partners

Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church	\$3,674.56
Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church	\$2,956.50
St. Bernadette Catholic Church	\$5,687.02
St. Francis de Sales Cathedral	\$4,356.75
St. Hilary of Poitiers Catholic Church	\$3,543.92
St. James Catholic Church	\$549.00
St. Joseph Co-Cathedral Catholic Church	\$4,589.81
St. Louis King of France Catholic Church	\$2,123.58
St. Philip Catholic Church	\$1,355.56
University Baptist Church	\$552.21

TOTAL DONATIONS:

\$29,388.91

Thank You!



Interested in hosting a fundraising campaign?

To allow for the safety of our staff and your church parishioners, we're offering donation envelopes and an *ONLINE* giving option for our Baby Bottle Fundraisers. To help ensure that we can continue to meet the *essential needs of our clients*, please call to reserve your church BBF campaign. Contact us today! 985.446.5004 or michele@crossroadsprc.org



Year-round Opportunities to Host a BBF Campaign

SOHL Sanctity of Human Life

JANUARY—What better way to observe Sanctity of Human Life month than donating spare change to save more lives?

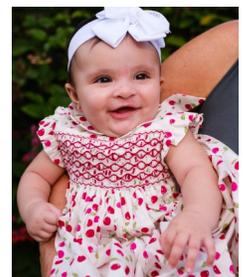
Mother's Day and Father's Day

MAY & JUNE—While acknowledging moms and dads, you can help support those served by Crossroads by planning a mock "Baby Shower" or a Baby Bottle Fundraiser!

Respect Life Month

OCTOBER—Observe respect for LIFE month by having a mock "Baby Shower" to collect needed baby items for moms who choose life for their babies!

Say hello to some of our babies, babies, and more babies ...



Tiffany's Story

“Crossroads brought life to a situation that I thought was hopeless. At the moment when I needed someone the most, they were there for me.”



Tiffany was already raising two young children when a positive pregnancy test was confirmed. She was working and had just started college, and another baby was not in her immediate plans. When she reached out to Crossroads for help, she was feeling overwhelmed, scared, and an abortion seemed like the best choice. She scheduled an appointment with Crossroads for options counseling and an ultrasound. The ultrasound confirmed that she was carrying TWINS ... and then her fear turned to panic! ...

Join us for the Respect Life *VIRTUAL* Event on September 22nd at 7PM to hear the rest of Tiffany's life-affirming testimony!

Register online for FREE:

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ABOVE & BEYOND

Big THANK YOU to all of the volunteers who help throughout the year at the center, and with our annual Celebrate Life Gala and other fundraising events.



Celebrate Life Gala Committee



EDW Catholic High RtL Club



University Baptist Church



EDW Catholic High

Showering Love

Thank you to all of the churches, schools, and groups for your generous gifts from the “baby showers” throughout the year!

EDW Catholic High Right to Life Club



Mother Teresa Women's Giving Circle



Thibodaux High School Christian Club



Love Life Amendment

**Vote YES on
the pro-life
amendment
to the Louisiana
Constitution!**

Vote Yes on Nov. 3, 2020!

What's the Love Life Amendment?

In Louisiana, we love babies and their mothers. Sadly, 13 other states have protected abortion in their state constitutions. By passing the Love Life Amendment, we will protect life by making sure there is no right to abortion or the funding of abortion in the Louisiana Constitution.

When is the Vote?

The Love Life Amendment will be on the ballot on Tuesday, November 3, 2020, the same day as the Presidential election. Vote YES on 11/3/2020!

Learn More & Take Action

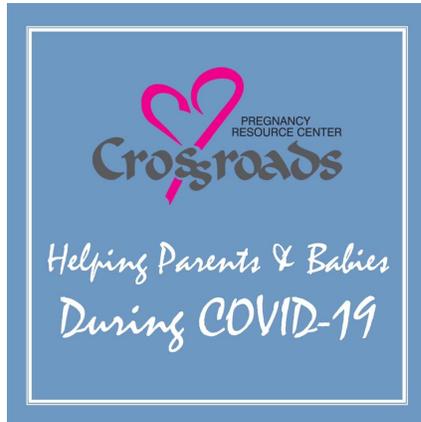
- Visit LoveLifeVoteYes.com
- Text LOVELIFE to 77222
- Follow Us @LoveLifeVoteYes
- Call 1.866.463.5433

Love Life.  **Vote Yes.**

Louisiana Pro-Life Amendment Coalition

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Year Round Community Outreach





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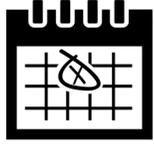
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   	<p>ITEMS FREQUENTLY IN SHORT SUPPLY</p> <p>Due to COVID-19 safety precautions, we're only accepting donations ordered online from our Walmart Baby Registry and Amazon Registry and then shipped to the center. Our needs can be found on these links:</p> <p>Walmart: https://www.walmart.com/registry/baby/667e5109-b0e4-4d4d-ab8b-00a0390debd1</p> <p>Amazon: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1TCZLI3SMHAN6?ref_=wl_share</p>	
<p>Purchase Your Plate Today!</p> <p>When you buy a Choose Life license plate, not only are you donating to pro-life pregnancy centers and adoption agencies in the state that are helping women to choose life, but you are spreading the message of life out on the road!</p> <p>www.ChooseLifeLA.org</p> 	 <p>UPCOMING EVENTS</p> <p>09.22.20—Respect Life VIRTUAL Event 10.3&4.20—St. Joseph Co-Cathedral Baby Bottle Fundraiser 10.04.20—Respect Life Sunday—Life Chain 11.03.20—Vote YES on Love Life Amendment 12.01.20—iGiveCatholic Day ~24 hour online giving</p>	<p>THINK YOU MIGHT BE PREGNANT?</p> <p>WE HAVE ANSWERS</p> <p>985.446.5004 CrossroadsPRC.org</p> <p><i>Be Informed! Be Empowered!</i></p> <p>FREE & CONFIDENTIAL</p>