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Save Our Summer!

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Swim parties, backyard BarBQs, trips to the beach, Cardinal games, traveling to new places. Those things fill up our summers and we tend to forget to make donations to our favorite non-profit (which is MyLife Medical Center, of course)! ;)

Summer is typically a tough season for non-profits. We do get busy. Sadly, however, women are still waking up with unplanned pregnancies and men are still left to face those terrifying fears that run through his mind when he hears, "I am pregnant".

We want to be here when he and/or she comes to our door needing help.

Will you help us Save Our Summer this year? Any contribution will help.

Take a look at the card and envelope enclosed with this newsletter. If you are able to help, please fill out the card and send it in with your donation. You can also make a donation online simply by going to www.jcpcc.com, clicking on the "donate" button and follow the simple steps.

When considering a donation please keep in mind there is a Pregnancy Center Tax Credit available for all donations of \$100 or more!

That's right. You can get back 50% of your donation as a line-item deduction on your Missouri taxes! It is really very simple to do, too. I utilize the credit every year and if I can do it—anyone can!

Thank you for prayerfully considering helping us Save Our Summer this year! Each donation helps us continue to be a voice for those who cannot speak for themselves—those tiny, unborn babies! Thank you!!

Upcoming Events

- Comedy Nights
- Trivia Night
- Volunteer Banquet

Banquet News

Even though he was suffering with food poisoning, Paul Aldrich went above and beyond again this year!

Paul is a Christian Comedian who works in Pregnancy Center ministry in his home state and we liked him so much last year that we invited him back again this year to our 11th Annual Spring Banquet.

When Paul arrived at Andres' West on banquet night, he came in looking a bit pale. When Karen, our Executive Director, asked him if he was ready for the evening, he told her about his pretty server illness he was dealing with.

After some fresh air and lots of prayer, Paul was ready to keep our guests laughing!

Financially, this year's banquet has turned out to be our best ever! We are so thankful!

Next April we plan to shake things up a bit. We are busy making plans and we guarantee it will be an outstanding evening!

Want to join us? Let us know.

Our Next MVG Will be Thursday, June 22, 2017 1-3pm Please RSVP By 6/20/17

Monthly Volunteer Gathering

We could not do what we do without our volunteers! We simply can't say "Thank you" enough to each person who gives of their time and talents so we can touch so many lives in our community!

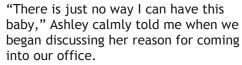
One way we try to say a little extra "thank you" is by having a Monthly Volunteer Gathering (MVG) once a month.

At this luncheon we eat (of course), typically have a devotional time with an area pastor, and share our thoughts and feelings about what is going on in this ministry.

We try to vary the days/times to include as many volunteers as we can. Interested in joining us? This is open to all past, present and future volunteers.

Give us a call. We will add you to the list!

Client Spotlight----Ashley



Ashley had googled "abortion" and our website came up close to the top of the list provided by Google. (Thanks to your contributions! Being close to the top of the list costs money!)

Ashley saw our text number at the top of the first page of our website and decided she would reach out and ask how much an abortion would cost her. During our conversation (via text) Ashley and I made an appointment for her to come in for a pregnancy test and ultrasound (also thanks to YOU!).

During our time together that day, Ashley explained her reasons for needing an abortion. She had some pretty strong reasons but all of us here at MyLife Medical Center believe God creates every single baby. Even though we can't see how this will all work, God has a plan for each life He creates—and that plan does not include abortion!

Our conversation included the three options everyone has with an unplanned pregnancy-abortion, adoption, and parenting. After some discussion, Ashley began to see a light at the end of the tunnel. Abortion was not off the table just yet, but she was seeing there MIGHT be another answer.

We did an ultrasound right then and, guess what we found.....TWINS!

Ashley was not immediately overjoyed with the discovery of twins! "I was overwhelmed at the thought of one.....I do not see any way I can have twins!"

But God (don't you love those 2 words??) had another plan in mind. Ashley told her family about the twins and they rallied around her and assured her they would help every step of the way!

Ashley is now getting everything ready to bring these precious twins into this world.

Praise God! And THANK YOU!

Baby A and Baby B



Volunteer Spotlight---Trish & Ellie

"We were searching for somewhere to volunteer that glorifies God. When we thought about MyLife we knew this had to be the place! Prolife, God honoring and a Jesus-sharing place that helps families (especially babies!)"

Trish and her daughter Ellie began volunteering in March of this year. They attend Spring Hills Presbyterian Church in Byrnes Mill.

Trish and Ellie recently helped organize a Walk for Life with their homeschool group, Classical Conversations (House Springs campus). That group of incredible folks collected just under \$1000 for MyLife Medical Center!

We are very thankful God brought Trish and Ellie to us. We are so thankful for each of our wonderful volunteers!



Technology Grant Update

In December of last year we received \$14,000 from the Jefferson Memorial Community Foundation to be used to purchase and upgrade our technology. What a blessing!

We were existing on one sort-of new computer in Karen's office and old, hand-me-down computers in the Counselor's office. We could not even access the internet with those computers!

So we were in desperate need of all new computers/printers/everything!

We have been able to purchase 5 new computers, printers, 2 laptops for our clients to use while here, and so much more.

We still have a bit of money left on the grant but we will have no problem spending that by the end of the year!

Praising God for this grant!

Safety First New Parent Grant Update

Also in December we received a \$5000 grant from the Jefferson Memorial Community Foundation to help us keep babies in our community as safe as possible.

This grant allows us to conduct a Safety First Baby Basics class in which, by attending, our clients can earn either a new car seat or a new crib!

Can you imagine not having the money for something desperately

needed for your baby-like a car seat?

Having a baby bed for your baby is also important for the health of the whole family. We know there are many different views concerning where the baby sleeps, but we feel the safest and healthiest place is in his or her own bed.

We feel very blessed to be able to give out these new car seats and new cribs to our clients!

New Staff Position Filled



Juli, our Client Services Manager with Karen, our Executive Director during a recent trip to the State Capital.

Juli Nelson has been part of the MyLife team since the very beginning in 2006. She actually was a volunteer for us for a few years before we became our own organization!

With all of her years of experience, we were not able to pay her anything until this year!

Beginning in March of this year, the board approved the hiring of Juli as our Client Services Director. It isn't much—but we are finally able to pay her!

Juli's duties include just about everything that directly involves our clients as well as over-seeing and coordinating with all of our volunteers. She had been doing quite a bit of this job already so the decision of who should fill this position took no thought at all on our part.

Juli began volunteering with the thought she was not really qualified to do anything here but fold baby clothes. It didn't take long for her to see she

Current Needs

- Diapers sizes 4, 5 & 6
- Pull-ups (all sizes)
- New Car Seats
- New Cribs
- Personal Care Items for the whole family such as:
 - o Shampoo
 - Conditioner
 - Shaving cream
 - o Razors
 - o Body wash
 - Deodorant
 - o Bar soap
 - o Etc
- Copy paper
- Wipes
- Dreft
- Gas Cards
- The list goes on...so if you have something else in mind, contact us!

was actually being called here to peercounsel with our clients.

Since then, Juli has become a wonderful peer-counselor. Many of our clients come back often just to talk with and spend time with Juli. She impacts so many lives!

We have been blessed to have Juli as part of our team. We are looking forward to many more years together.





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Upcoming Events

So much is in the works! No dates have been finalized but here are some things we are working on:

- Comedy Nights (we are working on two different nights)
- Trivia Night (so much fun!)
- Volunteer Appreciation

- Banquet (by invitation only due to the small space)
- Banquet 2018—Thursday, April 12, 2018 (mark your calendars now!)

We will get the dates out for these things as soon as they are finalized. Watch for them!

Nurse Manager Needed

We hired our Client Services Director and now we are searching for our Nurse Manager! We have set aside the money in our budget to hire a Nurse Manager to oversee our medical services.

Do you know anyone in the medical field? This position needs to be an RN, LPN, or MD.

Hours can be very flexible. This would be a great part time job for

someone with the possibility of growing into a full time position.

We offer several medical services here at MyLife and we need the right person to oversee all of that.

Interested? Let's talk about it! Know someone who might be interested? PLEASE pass along our contact information and encourage them to come by and talk about this position with our Executive Director.