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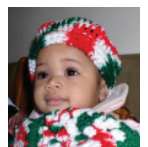
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BLESSING FROM ABOVE



It was late afternoon of November 2024 when the doorbell rang. A scared young girl named Amanda* anxiously entered. Amanda came to our Women First Pregnancy Options (WFPO) in Massapequa fearful that she was pregnant. We gave her a free pregnancy test kit that did in fact confirm Amanda was pregnant. Amanda was immediately terrified thinking about the uncertainty of her future and thinking her life was over.

During this time, Gloria and I welcomed Amanda into our counseling room to discuss her fears, concerns and worries. After a warm conversation of getting to know Amanda, we learned she was a very bright young woman working as a Registered Nurse at a local hospital. She was crippled with fear and the thought of telling her parents she was pregnant. It was at this time, we shared with her that we have witnessed many young ladies in the same predicament and as we have seen so many times before, her parents may be more understanding than she was giving them credit for. Her baby was a blessing from God, and we were here to support her with any challenges she may face along the road ahead. We also took this opportunity to educate her on all the services WFPO can provide to her and her baby.... free of charge. We assured Amanda that she would not be alone on this journey, and WFPO would provide any and all the baby essentials that her little bundle would need; a car seat, bassinet, crib, diapers, wipes, clothing and so much more. Amanda went for her sonogram at The Gianna Center that we coordinated for her, but she was still unsure about keeping her baby. I tried to keep the lines of communication open but eventually she stopped all communication with us.

I thought of her often, wondering what her ultimate decision had been. Did we positively impact her in a way that she chose life for her baby? Or did she end her pregnancy? Fast forward to July 2025, out of the blue, I received a text with a beautiful picture of a newborn baby boy with the face of an angel. I was overcome with joy when I realized I was looking at a picture of Amanda's newborn little boy. Her message brought tears to my eyes. She stated that coming to WFPO that day saved her life and gave her the best blessing that she could ever imagine. She said that she often thought of us and our encouraging words and that we were her Angels. Her parents could not be happier and are thrilled to be grandparents. The best news of all, Amanda's decision to accept this precious gift from God has completely transformed Amanda (and her extended family's) future into a bright optimistic journey as opposed to a dark and undesirable path that Amanda had envisioned for herself. Amanda and her boyfriend have decided they want to raise their son together as a family. They are happily engaged and look forward to watching their beautiful son thrive and grow.

*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights with whom
there is no variation or shadow due to change.*

~ James 1:17

Regina Lawler

Baby Bottle Campaign Coordinator



**Name has been changed to protect confidentiality.*



Our Mission...

"To promote, encourage, and foster public sentiment and respect for the dignity of human life... from conception to natural death."

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Gloria Schreiber

FROM THE DESK OF The CEO OPENED DOORS

The following is a brief overview of my remarks that were shared at our most recent Gala event.



Baby Save

Dear Friends,

Welcome to our 39th Anniversary at the Life Center! This past fiscal year 45 babies' lives have been saved; we served over 3,100 client visits; and distributed the equivalent value of over \$1.2 million of much needed baby material aid to over 2,900 Moms and Dads. In our 39 years, we served over 76,000 client visits and saved over 2,400 babies that we actually know of.

Matthew 7:7 reads, **"Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you"**. We set exciting and ambitious goals for this year with numerous items on our "bucket list." Little did I know that God planned **to open the doors to these goals simultaneously!** When God opens a door, you got to walk through it. You answer **His call** when **He decides** to present it! We knew we would **do our best** to accomplish the goals, **not just try**. Excellence is not having the best of everything; Excellence is doing the best with everything you have. Yet God provided what we needed in the journey to achieve His plans.

What we have accomplished:

- * **Implemented the Entering Canaan Post Abortion Healing Ministry** which includes Day and Weekend Retreats for Women and for Men. In addition, the Life Center initiated a Pregnancy Loss Ministry for pregnancy loss due to miscarriage, ectopic, and stillbirth.
- * **HopeSync client digital program** – increases client interaction via digital communication from the HopeSync website through our computers to our clients' phones.
- * **Initiating BrightCourse** – Educates clients through numerous online or in-person workshops
- * **Training** – enriched our top-notch training development initiatives for staff and volunteers
- * **Donor website** – upgrading site with enhanced features
- * **Marketing/social media** – increased presence through Google Ads, Reels, FB/Instagram
- * **Hempstead and Massapequa centers updated** with new lighting, floors, and painting to ensure our clients know we care enough about them with how we present our centers to them.
- * **School presence** – approaching schools to educate students and school staff about the work of our pregnancy care centers and invite them to tour at any one of our centers.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers, we thank you, our donors, for a very productive and successful 2025 so far! Your prayers, life-giving financial support, and your inspiring calls and letters, have made the journey alongside all of you, even more meaningful and productive, as we serve the Lord together in this vital life-affirming work. As we journey together, God's grace, opens us up to infinite new possibilities.

Blessings,

Gloria

Gloria Schreiber, CEO, LAS



"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there in the midst of them."

~ Matthew 18:20

**Give now
and skip the
mailbox**





40 DAYS FOR LIFE



During this Respect for Life Month, there are ways you can help restore respect for the dignity of human life from conception to natural death: **PRAY** – Prayer is powerful. Remember to **pray** the rosary, as October is the month of the Holy Rosary, and ask for the protection of all life, born and pre-born. Our troubled world needs the intercession of our Holy Mother Mary. **PARTICIPATE IN THE 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN** – 40 Days for Life is an internationally-coordinated campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach and peaceful vigil in front of abortion businesses. The current Fall campaign is taking place from September 24th through November 2nd.



Our Women First Pregnancy Options centers, located in Hempstead, Massapequa and Smithtown, are across the street or one block away from these Planned Parenthoods. The **40 Days for Life Campaigns** enable Sidewalk Advocates and/ or Prayer Warriors to bring a woman directly to one of our centers where we can educate her on the truth about abortion in hope she has a change of heart and saves the life of her baby and spares herself the spiritual, emotional, and physical anguish an abortion would bring. Please participate in the current **40 Days for Life Campaign** to help end abortion and save lives!

* Visit 40daysforlife.com to contact the campaign leader nearest you.*

* For anyone interested in learning more about becoming a sidewalk advocate or prayer warrior, please contact Mary at 631-656-0441.*



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IN HONOR OF

The Life Center of Long Island is grateful for donations made in honor of

~ Linda Higgins ~ IHS Group ~

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IN LOVING MEMORY

~ Elizabeth Mirando ~ Anthony Contorno ~ Alphonse Casillo ~ Paul Monaco ~

~ Ken O'Brien ~ Mary Schelhorn ~ Gregory and Francis Grace and their two siblings lost through miscarriage ~

~ LoGrippe and Scardigo families ~ Kathleen Peritore ~ Fr. Kevin Thompson ~

~ Happy heavenly birthday to Dolores Lordahl ~ Britta Perna ~ Shane Killian Breslin ~ Patricia Scanlon ~

We commend their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, to the loving embrace of our Father.

May you all be blessed always with God's eternal love and grace.



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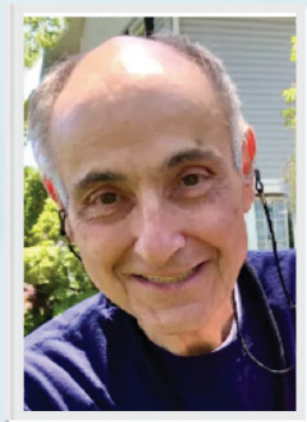
A heartfelt thanks to the parishioners of **St. Barnabas, Bellmore**, for their generous donation of beautiful handmade blankets. Our families will certainly be warm and cozy this winter thanks to your kindness. Thank you for sharing your amazing talents with us!

Many thanks to the **Suffolk County Lake Ronkonkoma Homemakers** for their generous donation of children's clothing and wipes. Your overwhelming generosity is truly a blessing.

We are grateful to the members of the **Angels of Mercy** from **Our Lady of Mercy Church, Hicksville**, for organizing a baby shower and donating beautifully hand knitted blankets and baby essentials for moms and their babies. Your overwhelming generosity is truly a blessing!

The Life Center of Long Island is extremely grateful to **Colleen Burns** from **Maria Regina Outreach, Seaford**, for organizing a clothing drive and donating the generous outpouring of baby items of formula, children's clothing, diapers and wipes. Your overwhelming generosity and kindness is very much appreciated.





IN LOVING MEMORY
PAUL F. MONACO
FEBRUARY 13, 1946 - AUGUST 11, 2025

Paul Monaco, beloved husband, father, grandfather of six (his greatest joys), brother, uncle, teacher, and friend. Paul was a devoted husband to his wife Pat for 49 years, raising their family in Carle Place. Paul taught chemistry for 33 years at New Hyde Park Memorial HS.

Paul was a stalwart defender for the preborn, committed to being a Sidewalk Advocate for Life especially when praying in front of the Hempstead Planned Parenthood in inclement weather.

Paul often surprised our Hempstead and Massapequa centers with donated gift cards either for clients or for our fundraising raffle baskets. He selflessly gave of his time for many years coordinating our Baby Bottle Campaigns at his parish, Our Lady of Hope. Paul was loved and admired by all who knew him, as he was a treasured friend, mentor, and confidant. His humbleness and kindness shone through his smile, making this world a better place. May he rest in peace.



Thursday, December 4
Friday, December 5
Saturday, December 6



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Register to get your Champion Number and select our charity.



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You must give your Champion Number at the time of each purchase!

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