

# Fall 2019 Center

## Record Walk for Life Fundraising Total



#### WAY TO GO TO OUR TOP FUNDRAISERS!

#### Top 5 Walkers

1st Place: Ann Kline - \$5,350.00 2nd Place: Melanie Miller - \$4,350.00 3rd Place: Traci Counts - \$1,180.00 4th Place: Jesecia Coffman - \$793.50 5th Place: Chris Edwards - \$590.00

#### Top 5 Teams

1st Place: A.D. CoB - \$610.00 2nd Place:

GemSeekers/Southview Grace - \$440.00 3rd Place: Team Haven - \$370.00

4th Place:

Trinity Lutheran Ashland - \$325.00

5th Place (tied):

Ministries of Hope and Healing & Leedy/Talbot - \$150.00



THANK YOU for growing with us and walking to support Ashland Pregnancy Care Center's life-saving mission on Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019, for our annual Walk for Life & 5K Fun Run. We had a total of 143 walkers, 14 runners, and 2 dogs! Praise God! We exceeded the 2018 fundraising total by 14 percent. This year **YOU helped raise** 

\$24,115.00 for LIFE!

A special thank you to our Corporate Sponsors:





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#### Our Vision:

We envision a culture where the sanctity of human life is celebrated by all, making abortion unthinkable for generations to come.

#### Mission Statement:

The Ashland Pregnancy Care Center is a Christ-centered ministry offering compassion, hope, and help to women and men facing critical pregnancy decisions by establishing trusted relationships, equipping with education and resources, and empowering families to live life according to God's plan.



#### Staff

**Executive Director** Melanie Miller

Administrative Assistant Traci Counts

Client Care Coordinator Jackie Beaty

Client Outreach & Volunteer Coordinator Amanda Bowman

**Boutique Coordinator** Pat Rogers

#### Medical Staff

**Medical Director** Dr. Debbie Cowden

Prenatal Specialist Dr. J.A. Klobutcher

Sonographers Mandi Ross, RDMS Katie Kline, RT

#### **Board of Directors**

Joyce Mansfield, President Travis McKenzie, Vice-President Joan Scott, Secretary Lorin Weaver, Treasurer Eric Abel Aaron Bates Renee Maggelet Adrea Tennant

Melanie Miller (ex-officio)

## Invest for Life Leave a Legacy of Love



The Ashland Pregnancy Care Center endowment fund, held at the Ashland County

Community Foundation, provides an excellent opportunity to support our efforts through end-of-life giving, working with your estate planning and tax professionals. The earnings from this fund will be used to provide long-term operational support for our ministry, ensuring that our life-saving mission will continue for years to come.

For questions or more information, please contact us at 419.281.1111.

## Commemorative Gifts

In Loving Memory of Deborah Bemiller

Given by:

Douglas & Christy Haidet

## In Loving Memory of Bobbi Gilmer

#### Given by:

Charee Aldrich Kathryn Baker Christopher & Kimberly Boyd Charles & Marcia Fritz Jeffrey & Cynthia Gilmer Thomas & Sharon Harvey Terry & Lynn Howie Steven & Melanie Huber Mark & Roxanne Icenhour Rose Marie Imhoff Douglas Long Thomas & Bonnie McGee Sharon Monroe Park Street Brethren Church Parkview Christian Church Jeff & JoAnn Seaman Steve & Lindsay Silveus Glenn & Susan Sprunger Randolph & Barbara Swanson The Brethren Church Melvin & Karol Walker JoAnn Watson Ronald & Kay Yoder

## Message from the Executive Director



Dear Friends,

Every day we see God at work. Everyday we personally have the great privilege to witness miracles and prayers being answered. When the center has a need, faithful friends like YOU are quick to respond and meet these needs. Recently our fridge stopped

working. We shared the need, and the next day a family came forward to meet the need. I received a call a few weeks ago that a donor had a like-new front loader washer and dryer that they would like to donate to the center. What a gift for our ladies at our Boutique who wash baby clothes (at their homes) each week. When we shared that we were low on diapers and wipes for our mommies and babies, YOU responded! Our team prayed, and as soon as we said "Amen!" the doorbell rang, and here walked in a mom with a diaper donation. And throughout the day and week, we continued to receive generous donations from individuals, businesses, and churches who were excited to meet the need in Jesus' name, including the sweet children in Mrs. Miller's kindergarten class at Ashland Christian School. These sweet little ones (pictured below with the APCC staff) each traced their handprint and labeled each pack of diapers with the words, "Jesus loves you." We are in awe (every day) of our mighty God, how he is faithful to meet each and every need.

We want to make Champions for Life in our community. There have been great opportunities to speak to special groups and children like Ashland Christian School, Grace Girls, and others who are hungry to learn more about the sanctity of life. Speaking to individuals at the fair has allowed

us to engage the community in dialogue about where life begins and the truth about abortion.

This past September, I was invited to represent APCC at a national pregnancy center conference to share how our center is onboarding and

training new volunteers with excellence so that they can also be life champions. Our volunteer team has really grown. This past year, we have onboarded 16 new volunteers! We are continuing to expand our reach in the community. At the Sanctity of Human Life Community Service, I look forward to sharing with you a new strategic partnership and initiative with the local church that will begin February 2020.



Executive Director Melanie
Miller was interviewed at the
national Care Net Pregnancy
Center Conference in
St. Louis, MO, this past
September by CEO Roland
Warren. Melanie shared how
APCC is onboarding and
training volunteers with
excellence by using new
online training tools like
Centers for Excellence
University.

Until then, we covet your prayers. Please pray specifically for clarity, wisdom, and direction as we make decisions about the future location and building operation of APCC. We are believing for a miracle!

"I will perform miracles that have never been performed anywhere in all the earth or in any nation. And all the people around you will see the power of the LORD—the awesome power I will display for you."

- Exodus 34:10

Melanie Miller Executive Director

### Making Life Champions in Our Community

School & Group Visits at APCC



The APCC Staff recently hosted different children's groups. Mrs. Miller's Kindergarten Class from Ashland Christian School (pictured above) paid a special visit with 13 children and donated diapers and wipes. APCC Staff Jackie Beaty (top right) & Melanie Miller (bottom right) taught the Grace Girls grades 3-5 how to wrap and swaddle a baby. Both groups learned about the miracle of life, the ministry of APCC, and took a tour of the center.



#### National Pro-Life Cupcake Day



Pictured left to right: AU Newman Student, Amanda Bowman APCC Staff, Becky Weaver "Solid Ground" Grace Group, Melanie Miller APCC Executive Director, & Renee Maggelet APCC Board of Directors.

October 9 was National Pro-Life Cupcake Day! APCC partnered with Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Newman Catholic Ministries, and "Solid Ground" small group at Grace Church to provide 300 free cupcakes to students and faculty at Ashland University to celebrate life and the babies who are denied a birthday because of abortion. Cards were passed out sharing about APCC's free services.

## Filled With Gratitude for Our Volunteers

#### **Appreciation Brunch Honors Volunteer Service**

Every year we look forward to honoring our amazing volunteers, the heart of our ministry, for their dedicated service. About 50 individuals gathered together on Saturday, Nov. 9, at the Salvation Army Kroc Center for a delicious brunch buffet catered by Bella Bleu's, fellowship, a time of thanks, and a time of worship. Our volunteers were honored with words of love and appreciation and were presented with special gifts. Local area businesses also showed their gratitude by donating gift certificates to our volunteers who have invested over 100+ hours of service. A special thank you to Belly Busters, Buffalo Wild Wings, Buehler's, Crazy Monkey Baking, Lyn-Way, and Uniontown Brewing Co. for your generosity.

From the beginning of 2019 through October 31, our volunteers have donated more than 2,468 hours of service! Thank you for GROWING with us!



Well done, good and faithful servant. - Matthew 25:23

#### CELEBRATING SPECIAL VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

#### Years of Service Awards

5 Years of Faithful Service MARK, LISA, & CAMDEN SNIVELY



SNIVELY

10 Years of Faithful Service MARYANNE WISE

#### Top Hours of Service Donated

(as of 10/31/19)

#### 100+ Hours:

Andrew Foster - 101.50 Maryanne Wise - 109.50 Lynn Keefer - 112.00 Belinda Foster - 123.50 Mary-Rose Andersen - 169.50

200+ Hours: Sharon Carr - 225.00 300+ Hours: Judy Weaver - 301.75



#### Total Hours Served in 2019

2,468

Thank You!

#### 2019 LIFESAVER Volunteer of the Year

Congratulations to Sharon Carr for being selected as the 2019 LIFESAVER Volunteer of the Year! Sharon has served 7 years as a Boutique Worker. Her picture and plaque are on display at the center. This award recognizes an outstanding volunteer who



#### In Honor of the Late Sue Hubacher



We remember and honor our dear friend and longtime volunteer, Sue Hubacher, who went home to be with the Lord earlier this year. Sue would have been celebrating her 5th year of faithful service. Sue served at the office every week, special events, and

always decorated the center for each season, making the center feel warm and welcoming for our clients. She has left her fingerprints. It was a privilege to honor her family (picture below with our staff) at our Volunteer Appreciation Brunch with a custom-made succulent wreath and to share that Sue's legacy will continue to live on and grow for generations to come.



## Commemorative Gifts

#### In Loving Memory of Sue Hubacher

#### Given by: Anonymous

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## Ashland Pregnancy Care Center 119 Sloan Ave.

119 Sloan Ave. Ashland, OH 44805 419.281.1111

Open Mon, Tues, Thurs. 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

#### The Boutique

Emmanuel United Methodist 322 Cleveland Ave. Ashland, OH 44805

> Open Thursday 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

#### Special Holiday Hours:



Center Closed: Dec. 20, 2019 – Jan. 1, 2020 We will open on Thursday, Jan. 2, 2020



## Sanctity of Junan life Sunday COMMUNITY SERVICE

## Sunday, January 19, 2020

Join us 4:00-6:00 p.m. at New Life Community Church 1489 OH-511, Ashland, OH 44805 Fellowship and refreshments following the service



GUEST SPEAKER: Kailee Perrin a powerful story of redemption



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## **Upcoming Events**

#### **GET READY TO JOIN US**

## *New Volunteer Info Meeting*Thursday, Feb. 6, from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Take a tour and learn more about our mission, vision, services, and volunteer opportunities.

RSVP to Amanda at 419.281.1111.

#### Prayer Walk

Tuesday, March 31, 2020 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Ashland Pregnancy Care Center Come when you can, leave when you must!

#### Annual Fundraising Banquet

Thursday, April 23, 2020
Ashland University Convocation Center

FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER:

### **ABBY JOHNSON**



Former Director
Planned Parenthood

Founder "And Then There Were None"

> **Author** "Unplanned"

## Restore Post-Abortion Recovery

### Restore Connection Meetings

3rd Thursday of each month 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Monthly confidential support group for individuals who have a shared abortion experience to connect with each other and restore, reclaim, and recover.

For more information, please contact Maryanne at restore@ashlandcarecenter.org

#### Baby Bottle Campaign

Final results and tallies from 2019 will be announced soon.



Reserve bottles for your group's 2020 Baby Bottle Campaign by contacting Baby Bottle Coordinator Mary-Rose Andersen at babybottles@ashlandcarecenter.org or 419.281.1111.