

You're Support Gives Hope and Meaning to Lifehouse Moms

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Throughout the U.S., Mother's Day was celebrated on May 14th. Mother's Day in the United States was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and became an official holiday in 1914. Over the years it has become a tradition that involves presenting moms with flowers, cards, and other gifts. Churches often fill as moms share with their children that the best gift would be for them all to go to church together. For some, Mother's Day brings

up difficult memories of loss, hurt, or abandonment.

Mother's Day may seem like just another ordinary day for the moms of Lifehouse. Sure, we treat our moms by planning to have dinner delivered, so no one has to cook. Sometimes a church group may plan a brunch or luncheon on the Saturday before. For some of our residents, the day brings up difficult memories that must be

processed. For Lifehouse staff it is a reminder of the important work we do to end the cycle of generational poverty, abuse, neglect, and hurt.

As a ministry, Lifehouse relies on God's provision through the generosity of churches, grant funders, and most importantly, God's faithful people. Because of YOU, Lifehouse is able to provide a safe home for women and their children, around-the-clock staffing, and valuable resources to help young women become the mother God intends. Because of YOU, Lifehouse is

celebrating 15 years of transforming the lives of women and children. YOU are a vital part of the Lifehouse ministry and the Lifehouse story. Your generosity and faithful support are changing lives!

As our home ages, maintenance needs are increasing. A recent unexpected expense was the replacement of 3 of our 6 heating and air conditioning units, which ranged from 15 to 28 years old, at or far past their life expectancy. Exhaust flanges on our roof required repair. We had an unexpected guest, a raccoon, that took up residency in our attic, and had to be trapped and relocated. In addition, there have been several minor repairs throughout the house that required hiring a handyman service.

Having a well-maintained home is important for residents like "B" and her



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baby, "A." In 2022, we received a call from Ed Harpring. Ed's wife, Cathy, who is now retired, was the Office Manager for Lifehouse at the time. Ed was counseling outside of the abortion mill in downtown Louisville. "B" was entering to abort her baby when Ed spoke with her. She shared with Ed that she did not want to go through with the abortion, but she was being pressured. Ed convinced her to go to BsideU for Life next door for an ultrasound, and then he called Cathy at Lifehouse. Soon after, "B" was able to move into Lifehouse and gave birth about six months later. What a joy it is to see Ed hold this precious baby he helped save, and what a joy it is that Lifehouse was here to provide a safe home, food, clothing, support services and resources for mom and baby. Baby "A" had a few medical needs shortly after birth, and because of Lifehouse, mom was able to take additional time off work to care for her baby, without the risk of losing her home, food, or other needs because of a loss of income. "B" works full-time and is a wonderful mother. She now lives in one of the transitional apartments at Lifehouse, and Baby "A" is thriving! This is only possible through the generous support of people like YOU!

Teaching young women the fine art of "motherhood" when they have not had positive maternal role models is a difficult challenge. The experienced Lifehouse

team is available 24/7 to help nurture and guide our residents in the proper care of infants, discipline strategies for toddlers, and loving interactions such as reading and play. These activities are a vital part of our program each and every day.

For 2023's Unity for Life benefit we elected to forgo a dinner, a colorful brochure, or a special event, and instead simply ask you to prayerfully consider how you can help Lifehouse. To celebrate 15 years, we hope to add 15 new donors to our 365 Circle. 365 Circle donors commit \$3.65 per day for 365 days to support Lifehouse, which translates to \$111 per month or \$1332 per year. To continue our lifesaving work here at Lifehouse, we need gifts of any amount, whether that is monthly or a one-time donation. Lifehouse needs \$47,500 per month to continue to provide for moms and babies in crisis. We are currently running slightly behind in our budget, but God is faithful, and we know that He is able to provide for Lifehouse through your generosity.

Thank you for your prayers and your support of Lifehouse. We raise our hands in grateful praise for you, your prayers, and your support. Lifehouse, and the moms and babies we serve, are blessed because of YOU! May God bless you!

*I will sing the LORD's praise, for he has been good to me.
Psalm 13:6*

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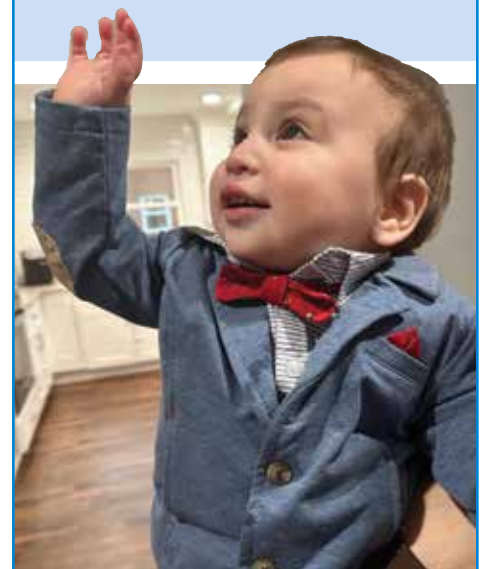
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House Happenings



Welcome Baby #91!

Baby #91 arrived in April. Mom and baby were welcomed home to Lifehouse by our staff and baby's older sibling, who turned one a week later. There was lots of celebrating for this precious new life and the first year of life.



Thanks to our Spring Break Helpers!

Thank you to **Southeast Christian Church Middle Schoolers** who spent a day of their Spring Break helping sort clothing donations at Lifehouse. We recently received a large donation of baby clothing, and the students checked everything for stains and tears, and made sure snaps, buttons and zippers all worked. They then sorted everything by size and gender. We are so grateful for the help from these students, making it easier for us to stock our clothing closet for our residents.

A Great Donation from Assumption High School

Thank you to students at Assumption High School for collecting supplies for Lifehouse! The students collected paper towels, toilet paper, Kleenex, prenatal vitamins, hand soap, disinfecting wipes, and more. Thank you so much Assumption High School students for helping us provide needed supplies for our moms!



Thank You to Our Lunch & Learn Sponsor!



We would like to thank Globe Life for sponsoring our January Lunch & Learn! If your business would like to sponsor a future Lunch & Learn, please contact our Development Director, Shelly Green, for more information, sgreen@lifehouzelouisville.org or 502-897-1655.

Thank You For Your Generous Gifts!

Lifehouse is grateful to the individuals, foundations, businesses, churches and community organizations that provide generous support for our moms and babies. We especially thank those who chose to honor or memorialize their loved ones through a gift to Lifehouse.

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Needed Items, Could You Help?

In February, Amazon discontinued the Amazon Smile program, which donated a portion of purchases to a nonprofit organization that shoppers selected. Lifehouse was disappointed to see this program end, because not only did it result in a few thousand dollars in donations each year, many shoppers also utilized the wish list feature to purchase needed items for Lifehouse.

We hope you will still use the list we share each quarter, and you can still easily purchase these items through Amazon and have them sent directly to Lifehouse at **2710 Riedling Drive, Louisville, KY 40206**. This makes it easy to provide us with needed items, without making a trip to drop them off (although we would love to thank you in person and give you a quick tour!)

If you have any questions about Lifehouse needs, feel free to contact us at **502-897-1655**. Thank you!

MAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gummy prenatal vitamins Adult regular Tylenol Stool softener Body wash (fragrance free) Cultural hair products Hair brushes 	Celebrate Mom!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women's feminine care products Infant Tylenol Plain #10 envelopes Forever stamps
JUNE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lowes/Home Depot gift cards Furnace filters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12x25x1 14x25x1 16x25x1 Indoor flood lights 	Handyman Tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brown paper lawn bags Large kitchen garbage bags Small trash can liners
JULY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disposable plates Disposable cups Paper napkins Disposable utensils Baggies of all sizes Cling wrap and aluminum foil 	Picnic Time	