

# Beginnings



Lifeshouse  
Maternity Home

## Kentucky Attorney General Visits Lifeshouse

Lifeshouse was pleased to welcome Kentucky Attorney General, Russell Coleman for a tour of Lifeshouse. The Attorney General and Rewa Zakharia, the Criminal Chief and a member of the Executive Staff learned about how Lifeshouse is serving pregnant and parenting women and children in crisis.

The Attorney General is passionate about addressing the problem of domestic violence, and the staff of Lifeshouse were able to share stories of women who found safety and help through Lifeshouse and how our program is changing lives. In 2024, 60 percent of the women served by Lifeshouse had experienced domestic violence and 50% had been trafficked.

The Attorney General was very impressed with all the Lifeshouse is doing to make a difference in the lives of women and



children seeking security, safety and a new start. He commended the staff on their work and encouraged Lifeshouse to reach out to his office if we need

assistance. Lifeshouse is grateful for the time the Attorney General spent with us, and the work he and his staff are doing to make a difference in Kentucky.

## Be a Blessing in 2025

New year, new you! At the beginning of every year, most people take stock of where they are and what they want to do to improve in the new year. For some it is exercise and eating healthier. Others might decide to spend more time reading their Bible or in prayer. Others may plan to save more money or cut expenses.

Have you considered how you can be a blessing in 2025 to pregnancy help organizations? Lifeshouse Maternity Home is one of Louisville's pregnancy help organizations working to meet the needs of pregnant and parenting women in crisis. Other PHOs in Louisville include BsideU for Life, Little Way, Sisters

for Life and Right to Life. All of us work together to provide hope for women, families, and children, born and pre-born.

### Here are some ways you be a blessing to pregnancy help in 2025:

- ♥ Most importantly you can pray for all of these local organizations, and organizations around the state and the country. God hears these prayers, and through His people He answers them, whether it is for financial support, for women to find help they need, for volunteers, or physical needs of donated items. Your prayers do make a difference, so please include pregnancy help in your daily prayers.

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# You are the LIFE of Lifehouse

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**“Everywhere and in every way...we acknowledge this with profound gratitude.”**

– Acts 24:3

Thank you! Two simple words that I feel can never express my deep gratitude for your support of Lifehouse. Quite simply, there would not be a Lifehouse without YOU!

You are the LIFE-line for the women who call us crying, desperate to escape the man that is hurting them, afraid he will turn on her child next. You are the LIFE-line for the woman who is pregnant, fearing what her trafficker will do when he finds out. You are the LIFE-line for the mom who arrived in this country as a minor, abused along the long trek to freedom and now finds herself with two toddlers under three, anxious to begin working to pay off the coyote threatening her family back in her home country. You are the LIFE-line for the woman who is finally sober after years of addiction, who was assaulted but has made the decision of life for her unborn child. You are the LIFE-line for the woman

who is tired of the lies from her family and friends and shuffling herself and her child from couch to couch, yearning for a place to call home. You are the LIFE-line for the woman who has been sleeping in her car with her baby but ended up in an accident that totaled her only shelter.

### Finding Life at Lifehouse

Because of your generosity and prayers, women who chose LIFE have found LIFE at Lifehouse. Each time we hear another story like the ones above, I not only pray for the woman and her child or children, but I pray that those who support us will continue, so that Lifehouse will be where these women will find hope, healing and a safe place to thrive. Your partnership is our greatest asset, and without you, without Lifehouse, many women and children would not find the safety and security they need.

### Providing Hope and Healing

We know that there is only One who can fill the God-size hole in these women’s hearts, and Lifehouse is here to help them learn about God’s plan for them and their children, and what a Man named Jesus did for them. Along the way we teach them parenting and life skills, help them secure employment, connect them with therapy and recovery programs, and guide them to achieving their goals. Lifehouse does this over the course of four years, if needed, understanding that complex trauma needs more than just a short-term solution in order for a woman to make a lasting change in her life.

Whenever Lifehouse has experienced a need, you have shown up to meet it. My simple two-word THANK YOU will never be enough, but it comes with sincerity and appreciation far more than I can express. May God bless you and keep you, may His face shine upon you and give you peace.

## Amazing News!!!

Our year end appeal surpassed our \$140,000, raising \$159,433 for Lifehouse. Thank you to everyone who supported our work in providing a safe place for moms and babies to thrive!



## Save these 2025 Dates:

**Unity for Life:** May 2025

**10th “Tee Up ‘FORE’ Life” Golf Scramble:**  
Monday, July 28, 2025

**Give for Good Louisville:** Thursday, September 18, 2025

**Giving Tuesday:** December 2, 2025

**Year End Appeal:** November-December 2025

## 3 Easy Ways to Give



Mail your gift in the reply envelope provided



Call 502-897-1655 to give by phone



Give online quickly and securely

From your camera here and click to give.



[LifehouseLouisville.org](https://LifehouseLouisville.org)

# House Happenings

## Truist Bank hosts seminar

### Budgeting Workbook

During the month of November, our participants attended a financial empowerment session hosted by Jose, a branch leader at **Truist Bank**. The session aimed to provide principles of basic banking, budgeting, and establishing credit. Jose provided participants with a practical workbook to retain the information and helpful tools to apply when managing their finances. The participants seemed to appreciate the open discussion format for asking questions and learning about Jose's experiences.

### Participant Recognized

At Lifehouse, we are intentional about showing participants that we are rooting for them and that we see their **BIG** efforts. One way we recognize participants is through nominating one participant each month to be titled "Participant of the Month." The participant selected for December was D.R. She is commended for her tremendous growth and resilient personality, which has helped her overcome many challenges. She is a very engaged and patient mother to her two small children and is quick to offer a helping hand when others are in need.



### Quilt Donation Brings Warmth for Body and Soul

Lifehouse received a beautiful assortment of decorated quilts presented by the **Coat of Many Colors Quilters Group** from First Baptist Church Fishersville. Quilters joined Lifehouse on Oct. 23 to present the handmade quilts. These quilts will truly be helpful to our women and infants as the colder months approach. Ladies in our program often utilize public transportation, so keeping children warm is essential.

### Career Planning

One area in which we empower women on their Lifepath journey is guiding them to pursue their desired career pathways. In the previous months, this has meant spending one-on-one time with Phase 1 participants, learning about their career interests, creating chronological resumes, and connecting them to online job portals. For our Phase 2 participants who have chosen career paths, we discuss time management strategies, handling difficult situations in the workplace, and working through daily stressors.

*Each ornament on our Lifehouse Christmas tree has a special significance. Check out our Facebook post from Dec. 19, 2024 to read more about them.*



### Christmas Blessings

We had so many thoughtful individuals and groups that provided us with much needed household items, coat and clothing donations, diapers, Christmas dinners, gift cards, and Christmas gifts for our participants. One donor in particular has regularly made a substantial financial gift over the last few years for Lifehouse to purchase Christmas gifts for the women and children. Our participants put together a wish list, and we encourage them to really **THINK BIG**, so this Secret Santa can bless them and their children with gifts they never thought possible. Some of the other groups making gift donations include **St. Leonard Seniors group** (handmade bibs and burp cloths) and **Vox Clamantis In Deserto Youth Group** (diapers and gifts for each family). We thank all the individual donors and groups who lovingly gave to Lifehouse and our moms and babies!!!



## Evapar Tours Lifehouse and Makes Donation

Lifehouse was pleased to receive a generous donation from **Evapar**. Evapar is one of the leading providers of industrial and commercial generators. Lifehouse gave them a tour and shared about our program and the impact their gift will have for our women and children. Lifehouse is grateful for Evapar's support!



## Groups Meet Needs



Thank you to the **Audubon Baptist Church** and **St. John Paul II Women's Bible Study** for much-needed house supplies.

You all are much needed angels!




It's time to **Lunch & Learn!**

The last Wednesday of each month  
11:30am - 1pm

Register at [LifehouseLouisville.org](http://LifehouseLouisville.org)

Please Join Us

## Thank You For Being the Heartbeat of Lifehouse!

*Lifehouse is grateful for the churches, businesses, organizations and individuals who support the moms and babies served by Lifehouse. We want to give special recognition to those gifts made in honor or memory of loved ones.*

### Foundations & Grants

Jamie Parsley Family Foundation Inc.  
Southeast Christian Church

### Corporate

Abigail Fellowship Service  
Acts II Mission Fund  
Compass Christian Church  
Covenant Sunday School Class  
Epiphany Catholic Church  
Flaget Alumni Association  
Johnson & Johnson  
Kroger

### The Marian Center

Yum! Brands Foundation, Inc.

### Memorial & Honorarium Gifts

In memory of Charles & Betty Jansing by Charlene Distler  
In honor of Mike Graham by Cheri Howard  
In honor of her amazing students at UofL by Rebekah Keith  
In honor of John Dennis Loretz, Max Otto Julien and Mr. Mickey Davis by Martha Latter

### In gratitude for the friendship of Sharron & Bill

Morgan by Bob & Sharon Nesmith  
In honor of Don Schuler by John Petrillo  
In memory of Judy Clayton by Suzanne Stormes  
In honor of Cathy Badgett by her sister Darlene Thornbery  
In honor of Cathy Badgett by Joseph & Jacqueline Vogt  
In honor of her children and grandchildren by Martha Wagner  
In memory of Gayle Whelan by her son Daniel Whelan

*Every effort has been made to account for these gifts. Please notify us of any errors or omissions and we will make a correction.*

# Give time, talent, prayers and support to Lifehouse

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- ♥ Support them with your time. Many pregnancy help organizations, Lifehouse included, receive donations of material goods that need sorting and organizing. Some offer special programs for women and help with babysitting is needed so moms can attend programs. Lifehouse needs babysitters to help during Monday night Bible study. Maybe there is a need for handyman services or cleaning? Lifehouse would like to begin a meal train for Mondays to help our women before evening Bible study. Pregnancy help organizations always need help with fundraising events. Our annual golf scramble needs a variety of help from pre-planning to day-of event volunteers.
- ♥ Provide your talent. Pregnancy help organizations, including Lifehouse, often need board members to help with fiduciary and governance oversight. If you have a background in finance, accounting, law, marketing, business, or just have a heart for the pro-life movement, I know we can find a place for you on our Board of Directors. Maybe you have a gift for leading Bible study. We would love to have you as one of our leaders for a one time or recurring study.
- ♥ Tell others about Lifehouse! We hear all the time, "I had no idea this was in Louisville." Let other people know about Lifehouse. Encourage them to come to for a tour, or even better, come and bring them with you.
- ♥ Talk about Lifehouse to your pastor, church mission committee, small group, men's or women's group, Respect Life committee, outreach committee, community organization, networking group, and any other organization for which you are a part. Bring your pastor for a tour. Invite our Executive Director to speak to one of these groups.
- ♥ Give gift cards. Gifts cards of \$5 and up are used for participant rewards as a part of our Earn While You Learn program. This program allows our participants to earn "Lifehouse bucks" for completing assignments related to parenting, life skills, education, and more. You can also donate gently used household goods, such as small appliances, dishes, glassware, silverware, and pots and pans. All must be very clean and in working order to be placed in our Earn While You Learn program.
- ♥ And speaking of gift cards, Kroger gift cards are a great way to help Lifehouse meet its need for fresh meat, fresh produce, frozen items and other perishable food. Kroger gift cards help us stretch our food budget impacted by the loss of a perishable food supplier resource.
- ♥ Please consider giving financial support monthly. Regular monthly support really helps Lifehouse and all pregnancy help organizations manage their budget and anticipate income. You can easily set up recurring giving on our website, [www.LifehouseLouisville.org](http://www.LifehouseLouisville.org), by credit card, debit card, or through ACH debit to your bank account. Monthly donors committing to \$3.65 per day (\$111/month or \$1332/year) become a part of our 365 Circle of donors. Scan the QR code here to go right to our secure webpage to set up your monthly gift of any amount.



*We are always grateful for your support whether it is financial, non-monetary donations, volunteering, or the most important gift of prayer. Thank you for supporting pregnancy help. Together let us work to make abortion unthinkable and bring hope to families!*



# From Homeless to Hopeful:

*“The Lord you God, who is going before you, will fight for you,...before your very eyes.”*

*- Deuteronomy 1:30*

At Lifehouse we believe the Lord is fighting for us. Not just our organization, but for each woman and child that comes through our doors. 2024 is no exception. Our organization faced its own share of challenges, we recognize many of them to be spiritual battles, as often happens when so much good is being accomplished in the name of God.

For our participants, many who have faced a lifetime of battles, coming to Lifehouse was the point in which a shield of protection was raised, and where a team came together to battle for them. We are often asked by those we serve, “why are you doing this for me?”

For someone for whom love always had a condition or is never truly present, simple acts of kindness, service and support are a very foreign concept. Building trust and providing a sense of safety and security are what we do for these women and children.

The battles faced by the courageous women who became a part of the Lifehouse family in 2024 include:

- 60% fleeing domestic violence
- 50% trafficked
- 30% spent time in foster care
- 70% addiction or drug use
- 70% physical, emotional or sexual abuse
- 60% eating disorder or food insecurity
- 100% mental health diagnosis or trauma
- 100% homeless or housing insecure

Lifehouse was thrilled to welcome babies #96 and #97 in 2024. We are growing more excited as we get closer to seeing baby #100! In addition to these new lives, Lifehouse serves many



## Annual Report 2025

women who already have children. In 2024, sixteen moms and 15 children called Lifehouse home. Additionally, Lifehouse provided resources to 288 women. We continue to serve women from throughout Kentucky, the United States, and even internationally, from countries such as Cuba, Mexico, and Honduras.

Through the support of our Program Director and Case Manager, Lifehouse moms were connected to vital resources to help them apply for college classes, secure a driver's license, find employment and daycare, register for their GED, obtain mental health counseling, attend addiction recovery programs, and begin working on U.S. residency and work permits.

Lifehouse continues to be a hedge of protection for women escaping life's battles. We thank you for providing us with the "armor" needed to rise up and offer hope to moms and children. You are our partner in this battle to transform a generation. The back of this page highlights the impact of your generosity of prayers, time and financial resources. We are grateful to have you as a fellow soldier.

**Thank you!**



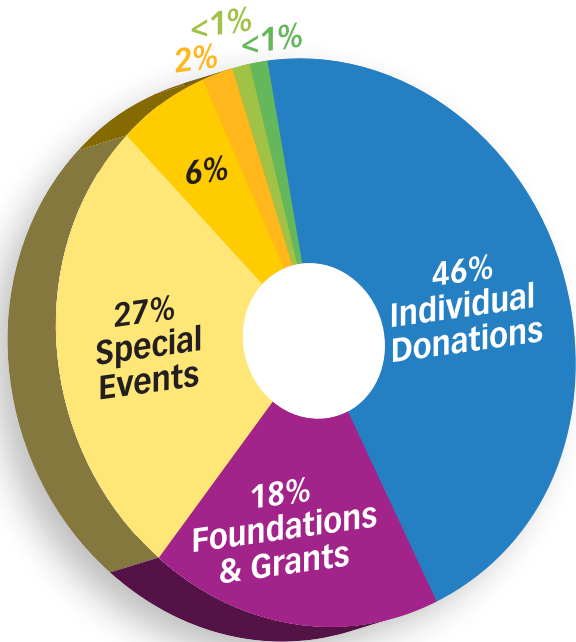
Baby #96



Baby #97

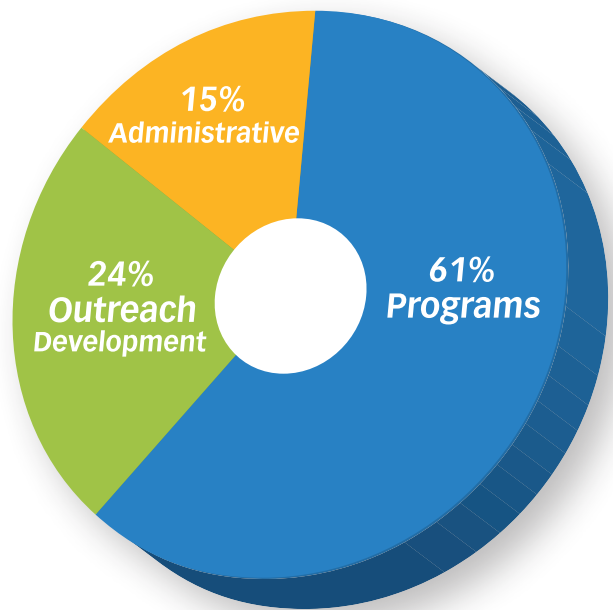


# Income 2024



- Individual Donations: 46%
- Foundations & Grants: 18%
- Special Events: 27%
- Churches & Religious Affiliations: 6%
- Corporate Contributions/Matching: 2%
- Resident Contributions: <1%
- Other Income: <1%

# Expenses 2024



## Your Collective Impact

**16** Program Participants Served

**15** Children Served

**+**  
Faith Development Hours

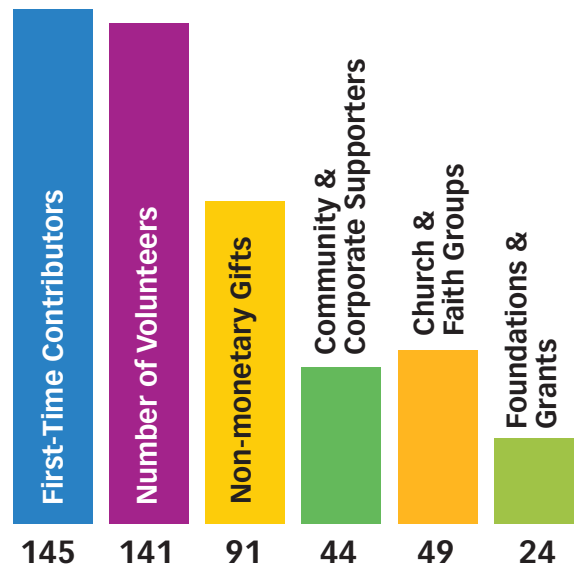
**2**  
Baptisms/Professions of Faith



**88**

**288**  
Non-participants Served

# Contributions 2024



# Lifehouse

## Maternity Home

2710 Riedling Dr  
Louisville, KY 40206

Phone: 502.897.1655  
Lifehouse@LifehouseLouisville.org



Maternity Housing

Non Profit  
U.S. Postage  
**PAID**  
Louisville, KY  
Permit 1801

*"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud."*

1 Corinthians 13

### Share our Mission



## Would you consider an in-kind donation?

### Our Wish List

- Generic Thank You Cards
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Dishwasher Pods
- Finish Jet Dry Rinse Aid
- 18 oz. Bottles Dish Soap
- Paper Towels
- Napkins
- Garbage Bags
- Detergent (Free and Clear Only)
- Dreft
- Stamps



### \$5 gift cards for participants Earn While You Learn:

- Dollar General
- Kroger
- Gas Cards
- Coffee shops
- Restaurants



### Other Items may be found on our Amazon Wish List.

Go to [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com). In the search bar type "Registry." Then click the button "Search for a registry or gift list." (Yellow button) Type in Lifehouse Maternity Home in the search by name box and select "Gift List" from the pull-down menu, and click the search button. Click on Lifehouse. You may ship it directly to Lifehouse at 2710 Riedling Dr., Louisville, 40206

### Other ways to help Lifehouse:

- Include Lifehouse in your will.
- Add Lifehouse as beneficiary on your life insurance policy.
- At age 70 ½ or older, an individual can donate up to \$100,000 from their IRA to a charitable organization. Making a Qualified Charitable Distribution meets the Required Minimum Distribution requirement dollar for dollar.

Always consult with your tax advisor before taking any steps described above. Please let Lifehouse know if you are taking any of the steps above.

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