

# A Case for Support:

Celebrating 30 Years  
of Life-Transforming Ministry



Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center

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# Meet the Shenandoah C

## Our Vision

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The Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center envisions our community as a place where parents facing pregnancy decisions will be inspired to choose abundant life.

Abundant life is the heart of the Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center, where every woman and man is met with the transformative love of Jesus. We are a community that seeks not only to save the life of the child but also seeks to invite mom and dad to abundant life in Jesus to inspire the restoration and flourishing of families.



# County Pregnancy Center

## **Our Mission**

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The Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center is a non-profit Christian, life-affirming ministry that provides loving support and practical education for those facing unexpected pregnancies so that they can choose abundant life in Christ for their families.

*We are deeply humbled to link arms with the local Church and the broader Shenandoah County community to:*

Share complete and medically accurate information with women and men about pregnancy and pregnancy options that they may not receive from an abortion provider.

Offer loving support, practical education, and material assistance to those making pregnancy and parenting decisions, while building enduring relationships to support our clients as they walk out their decisions.

Minister to women suffering from the heartache and tragedy of a past abortion decision.

*Abundant Life . . .  
brimming up, spilling over*

# **An undeniable need. . .**

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The first ten months of 2023 recorded 88,000 abortions per month in the United States. When final numbers are released, it is estimated that more than 1,000,000 unborn children's lives were terminated in 2023.

In 2021, the Virginia Department of Health reported 16,139 abortions in Virginia, 57% of which were chemically induced.

In 2020, the Virginia Department of Health reported 44 abortions in Shenandoah County, the highest in Planning District 7, which also includes Clarke, Frederick, Page, Warren, and Winchester City.

It is estimated that 25% of women will experience abortion before the end of their childbearing years.

Over half of US teens are sexually active by age 18 and 147,000 babies were born to moms between 15 and 19 years old in 2021.

Forty percent of families in Shenandoah County are single parent families.

**One of the most prominent reasons given for abortion relates to the complicated circumstances surrounding an expectant mother.**

*With the life support they need,  
the choice for life can become an easier one.*

# Our Solution

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We help women and men navigate the often complicated pregnancy and parenting journey by providing life-supporting resources and services . . .

- Pregnancy tests and pregnancy options counseling
- Classes: pregnancy, birth, parenting, relationships, life skills
- Material assistance: maternity clothes, infant and childrens clothing, diapers, wipes, formula, car seats, cribs, strollers...
- Mom's support groups
- Group classes and mom's support groups for our Spanish-speaking community
- Fatherhood coaching and mentorship
- Abortion recovery healing and support
- Relationships, marriage, and sexual integrity coaching and classes

## What sets us apart . . .

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### *We are Pro-Abundant Life*

Abundant life, as Jesus defines it in John 10:10, is foundational to everything we do.

### *We are Relational*

The SCPC is a long-term relational ministry that serves women and men, throughout their pregnancy and parenting journey.

### *We are Community Driven*

The SCPC pours the love of Jesus into the lives of all the clients we serve, and seeks to facilitate connections between our family and the local Church for on-going discipleship.

# Our Impact in 2023

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163	Women and men served
905	Client visits
45	Pregnancy tests and pregnancy options counseling
367	Classes presented
23	Fatherhood coaching visits
384	Material assistance visits
3	Women received abortion recovery group counsel
200+	Spiritual conversations and prayer
16	Gospel presentations
6	Clients dedicated or rededicated their lives to Christ

**Statistics only tell part of our story.**

**Here is what our clients are saying about the SCPC .**

*“We had such a great experience with them. They were very welcoming. We took classes weekly which helped us to feel more prepared, they offered support and were nonjudgmental which was nice. On top of that it’s a nice place for resources for the baby, mom and dad. I would highly recommend reaching out.”* **Mendy**

*”I LOVED my visit here. So helpful. They gave me real info on ALL my options. I would choose this over going to a local planned parenthood any day. They cared about me personally, I felt no shame or embarrassment with my story I shared. They listen to you & they want to help you. No cost to you & completely confidential!!”* **Lana**

# Will you partner with us?

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Your partnership transforms lives which builds and strengthens families and makes a community of true Kingdom flourishing possible.

## *Prayer Partners*

Prayer is foundational to the ministry. Join our team of prayer partners who receive monthly prayer needs and urgent needs via text. Text your name to 540.346.8060 to join the team.

## *Volunteer Partners*

Volunteers are the backbone of our day-to-day ministry. Serve as a client advocate, board member, fatherhood mentor, material services worker, or church liaison. We also need volunteers to tend flower beds, help with building maintenance, or plan fundraising events.

## *Church and Community Partners*

Our church and community partners are our biggest advocates. You can raise awareness about the SCPC by inviting us to speak at your church or organization, displaying our brochures, or hosting a baby bottle campaign.

## *Discipleship Partners*

The SCPC does not replace the local Church. We are part of the Church, and we desire to help you welcome our clients into a Christ-centered discipling family that provides friendship, mentorship, and life-long wisdom and worth that results in abundant, victorious, faith-filled living.



# Become a Financial Partner

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The Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center generates \$0 from client revenue. We are privately funded through philanthropic individuals, churches, businesses, and organizations that want to make free, life-affirming pregnancy and parenting resources and support available in our community.

## *Two ways to give . . .*

**One-time donations** fund the current fiscal year's budget.

**Monthly or recurring donations** meet the current need but also position the ministry for sustainable growth and long-term decision making so we can continue to make a lasting impact in Shenandoah County.

## *Other ways to give . . .*

**Qualified Charitable Distribution Giving** is a donation to a charitable organization that goes directly from your IRA account to the charity. Since the donation goes directly to the charity, the amount is not counted as taxable income to the individual.

**Planned Giving** includes bequests, life insurance policies, retirement accounts, stocks, or bonds.

Thank you for considering the SCPC in your financial planning and charitable giving.

## *As you think about a gift, consider . . .*

A full day of life-affirming services at the SCPC costs: \$717

Go to [www.supportscpc.org](http://www.supportscpc.org) or use the QR code to make a one-time or recurring donation.







# The Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center Turns 30!

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In March of 1993, a small group of prayerful people saw a need in our community for a safe place for women who were facing unplanned pregnancies and suffering from the trauma of a past abortion to receive compassion, hope, and practical help—all in the name of Jesus.

Inspired by a God-given vision, this small but faithful group rallied a community of supporters to the Center's cause. They also found a building, established the first Board of Directors, filed for nonprofit status, affiliated with the Christian Action Council (Care Net) and hired the Executive Director.

By December of 1993, the first board of directors was named—Kim Emswiller as Chair, Sharon Riffe as secretary, and members Diana Brown, Eva Gochenour, and Pastor Ken Horst. The first fundraising banquet was held in February 1994 and raised \$14,845, enough to launch the ministry.

There were many firsts for the ministry in the summer and fall of 1994. Jean Martin was hired as the first Executive Director, the board hosted an open house at the first location on Landfill Road, and the Center held its first Walk for Life.

*Faithful is He who calls you,  
and He also will do it.*

1 Thessalonians 5:24

## *The rest is history.*

We are grateful to these pioneers who were faithful to Jesus and His calling to establish the Shenandoah County Pregnancy Center. Their work was sacrificial and we continue to be humbled and inspired by their obedience, vision, and leadership.

The Center is thriving, and the mission remains the same. God has shown His favor through His people, who have faithfully and joyfully partnered with the ministry and cared for the Center's needs.

Thank you, faithful friends. Your gifts of time, talent, and treasure continue to make a difference and transform lives for the Kingdom!



Sharing  Hope