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Have you ever been in a situation that was unfamiliar, frightening, perhaps even life-altering? The last thing you may have needed was someone judging you or telling you what to do. What you really wanted was someone with helpful information to walk beside you, someone who didn't have all the answers but was willing to help you find them, someone who cared about how that situation turned out for you. The person you needed was a mentor.

Gabriel Project of the Crossroads and Bethlehem Maternity Home are looking for mentors to walk alongside the mothers we serve: mentors who can provide information and services in a compassionate, non-judgmental way. A college degree isn't required to be caring and supportive. If you have 2 hours a week to devote mentoring a woman experiencing a crisis pregnancy, if you place a high value on the preciousness of every life, if you can be respectful of a woman's situation and not judge her circumstances, we need you. Women experiencing a crisis pregnancy need you.

I invite you to explore our website: victoriagabrielproject.org and then decide if you are ready to be a mentor to a woman on a journey. Fill out the convenient Volunteer Form and let us begin your mentoring journey together.

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Peace and Blessings,

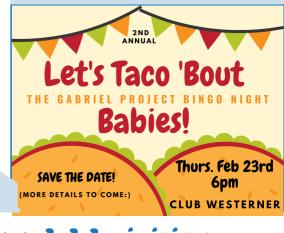
Linda Palmer

Volunteer Coordinator



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It's Giving Season! **BY MICHELE ROHDE**

What better time with the holidays approaching than to give a gift that creates a lifelong impact. For your year-end gifting, please consider the Gabriel Project!

The Gabriel Project's Bethlehem Home has served 13 moms to date, & is currently housing 3 moms & 3 children, one of which was just born last month! In addition to the home, Mother/Baby Services has been faithfully assisting dozens of pregnant women in need every month for the last 20 years through their hotline across 10 counties with the support of trained & dedicated volunteers. As you can imagine, there are considerable costs with housing, management, supplies & so on. As one of many goals, we hope to obtain a van to

prayers!



First bath by mommy. Mommy says, "Thank you for all the prayers."

transport mothers to their appointments next year, rather than utilizing public transportation, which is challenging with car seats. Goals like this can be obtained through your generous tax-deductible donations. We also accept your tax-free charitable contributions from your retirement account's required minimum distributions. Please consider us for a onetime gift this holiday season or become a "Circle of Life" donor by contributing monthly (see the "support us" tab on the website or <u>Michele.Rohde@ampf.com</u> for details.)

Thank you for keeping our ever growing & critical mission of supporting life in your

 \$20,000

 90%

 80%

 70%

 60%

 50%

 40%

 30%

 20%

2022 Year-End Fundraising Goal



Lion's Club of Yorktown donated to our Dewitt chapter. Gabriel Project volunteers Lori Kneese and Lindsay West received the check on behalf of the organization.



St. Anne KJZT Society #4 PRAHA donated to our Fayette chapter. Barbara Williams received the check.

- 1. Traeger Pellet Grill- Bernadette Fikac 2. Weekend in Fredericksburg- Darlene Pullin 3. Kolton Braun Guided Fishing for 3- Lori Young 4. Ray Ortega's POC Guided Fishing- Albert Chamrad 5. Spa, Movie & Dinner Pkg- Rick Torres 6. Painted G-force tactical 12 gauge shotgun- Brooke Davis 7. Yeti Backflip Hopper- Anthony & Bonnie Hermes 8. His & Hers Ray-Bans- Kathy Manning 9. 1yr Family Membership to Children's Discovery Museum- Susana Moya 10. Victoria Symphony season tickets for two- Jeffrey Hermes 11. Integrity Defensive Arts, lessons with uniform- Laurie Pokluda 12. Kel Johnson Photography session- Brenda Hasdorff 13. Calvo's House Cleaning- Gijet Thompson Thank you to all our 14. \$250 Visa Gift card- Debra Roeder 15. \$250 Visa gift card- Melinda Pierce 16. Waterloo Rod & Reel \$250 gift certificate - Sarah Patek 17. Womens Waterloo Rod- Lori Lawrence 18. Dinner & Movie Package- Diana Kallus 19. \$200 Visa Gift card- Gary Gould 20. Cotton Belles gift certificate- Deborah Colley 21. \$200 Chopping Block Meat market gift certificate - Veronica Aguirre 22. Chopping Block gift certificate - Mayra Johnson 23. \$200 Visa Gift card- Amber Haikenwaelder 24. Robo vac - Paul Hawes 25. Nail salon gift certificate - Tim Michalski 26. Large outdoor oil rubbed bronze receptical- Jeffrey Hermes
 - 27. Marigolds & Lily tote full of goodies Pete Moya

Could you be a Michael?



The Gabriel Project of the Crossroads is trying to form a group of men who will be Michael Angels.

These male Angels would provide handyman services, deliver & assemble furniture, accompany our female Angels on visits and more. These small acts make a huge impact as they minister to our Gabriel Project families and provide a role model.

St. Michael the archangel is considered the "Guardian/Protector" for God's family! Would you consider being a Michael?

Complete the volunteer form at <u>VictoriaGabrielProject.org/Volunteer</u> and our Volunteer Coordinator will be in touch!

Coming Events

GABRIEL PROJECT'S HELPING HANDS CHRISTMAS Due: Fri. Dec 9th

We will provide gift baskets to the babies and families we have helped this year. Please join us in giving them a special 1st Christmas! For a list of needed items, please visit VictoriaGabrielProject.org. For more information, please contact Stacey Ontai 806-438-2755

DECEMBER GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Tue, Dec 13th

Bring your favorite Christmas cookies and ugliest sweater! Prizes to be awarded. Coffee, eggnog and hot cider provided. Don't miss our monthly volunteer gathering to fellowship, plug in, and get updated every 2nd Tuesday.

CANDLELIGHT MARCH FOR LIFE - VICTORIA Thurs. Jan 26th

Please gather at DeLeon Plaza at 6:30pm and march with us to Our Lady of Sorrows, where we will hear a presentation by Heather Gardner, President of Coalition for Life in Austin. For more information, please contact Diocese of Victoria 361-573-0828.

RISE UP FOR LIFE: LAVACA COUNTY PRO-LIFE RALLY Sat. Jan 28th



Please assemble at the Hallettsville Post Office (206 S. LaGrange St.) at 8:30am and march with us to Lavaca County Courthouse (109 N. LaGrange St.) for a presentation. Bring your lawn chairs and children welcome. Organizations, churches, schools are asked to bring their own signs/banners/flags for the march. For more information, contact Rev. Jerry Tanner 361-522-

5308 or visit Facebook.com/RiseUp4LifeLavaca



Stefani Spears, Director of Communication

as part of Life Chain on Oct 2nd from Navarro to the Loop





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