



Fall 2023 Newsletter

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2023 Gala a success!

Thank you to all who attended and supported RPS at the Annual Fundraising Gala. This was our largest attended event with over 600 in attendance!

Roland Warren, CEO of Care Net was our featured speaker and shared a message of hope, help and a call to arms for fathers and churches to step into being an answer to crisis pregnancies. We were all blessed by his message and so thankful for the work RPS does to include

fathers in this ministry through our Dad-to-Dad mentoring program. The event raised

\$175,000 and 100% of that goes directly to the life saving work and services provided through Richland Pregnancy Services.



Featured speaker, Roland Warren, challenged the church to come alongside the efforts of pregnancy centers.



We could not provide this event without the generous support from our 38 event sponsors! Thank you for supporting this event so that the funds raised can continue our work in supporting and offering hope to our clients!

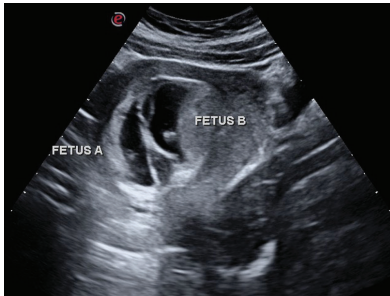


RPS Board President & VP with staff and Roland Warren.

We also heard from State Representative Marilyn John about the importance of voting NO on Issue 1 in November. Thank you to our RPS Board President Clint Saiben, RPS Board Vice President Pastor Dave Vance and Pastor Raymond Cochran, Jr. for all being a part of this special evening.

Pressing In...Choosing Life

We have come so far from celebrating the overturning of Roe vs. Wade last year, followed by the enactment of Ohio's Heartbeat Act to now facing the legalization of abortion through all nine months of pregnancy on Issue 1 in the November election. Opposition comes quickly but every effort on our part holds great value! Before Ohio's Heartbeat Act was held up in court, thousands of babies' lives were saved in the short three months it was in effect. This fact was made apparent in the Ohio Department of Health's 2022 Statistics release which showed a 15% decrease in abortions. In just 3 months, 3300 babies' lives were saved in the State of Ohio. This is why it is so important that we vote NO on Issue 1.



Sometimes we can feel like we are fighting an uphill battle, but then God gives us moments to remind us it is worth it! Just last week we had a woman come to RPS who was considering an abortion. During our conversation with her, she shared that she had prayed for God to show up and help her know what to decide about her pregnancy. She came into RPS for her free ultrasound appointment and God absolutely showed up, not only did she see the baby on the ultrasound, she saw her TWO babies! She is having twins and she is choosing LIFE!

We know that regardless of the State or Federal Laws, unplanned pregnancy will happen. We know that choosing life is more than a one-time decision that a woman makes when she meets with a client advocate or sees an ultrasound at RPS. It is a decision that she must make every day until abortion is no longer an option. Currently, in the state of Ohio, abortion is an option through 22 weeks of pregnancy. Of the 1700+ appointments we have met with this year, some are with women who came to us considering abortion and then chose life. Some of those appointments were with support services others were parenting classes or mentor meetings. Some appointments may just have generated excitement at the chance to shop for their new baby in our boutique. Every one of these appointments are just as important as the first one. Each one of these supports a woman who may be walking out of our doors to face the same pressures and influences that caused her to initially consider abortion to begin with. Choosing life is not a one-time event, each interaction with RPS helps to foster attachment and strength so that on the next day she might be struggling and feeling like she can't do this alone she might be reminded that we are here to help support her. We pray that she remembers we believe she can be a good mom and he can be a good dad and they can not only have their baby, but they can continue to grow as parents with the support of Richland Pregnancy Services.

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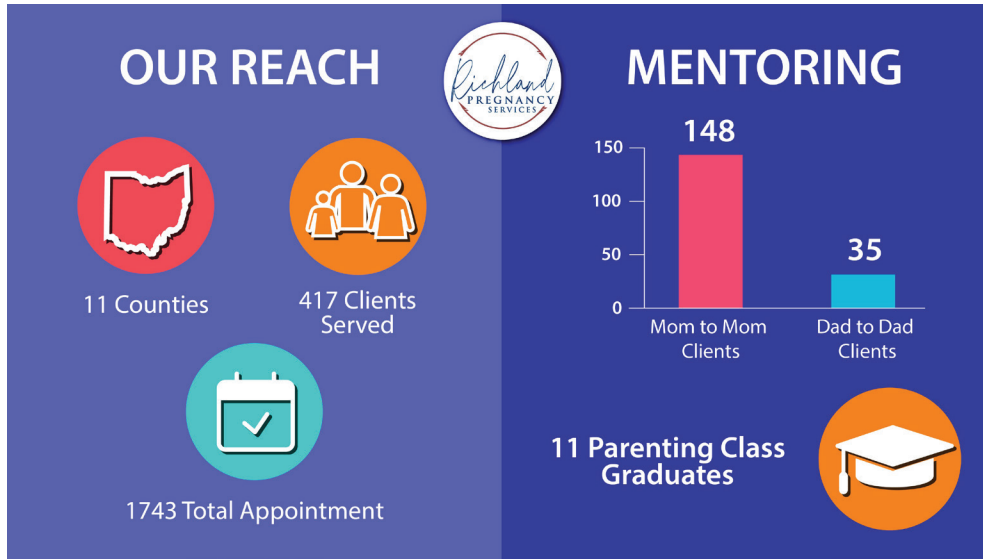
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Your Donations Provided:



These services we provide free of charge regardless of income:

867 Mom to Mom hours
(If billable hours)= \$73,695

115 Dad to Dad hours
(If billable hours)= \$9,775

RPS actual cost for services from a mom's first intake visit through the child's first 2 years = \$1,207.31

Projected costs are based Casemanagement averages for local counseling services in Ohio.

Your donations allow us to provide these tests free of charge:

175 Ultrasounds = 25,812
75 STD Tests = \$3,750
222 Pregnancy Test = \$15,429

Boutique shopping hours
=38/week open 1,938 hours/year

Projected costs are based on Ohio state averages for these procedures. Ultrasounds \$136-159, STD Testing \$50, Pregnancy Testing \$50-\$89

SERVICES WE PROVIDED THIS PAST YEAR



175 Ultrasounds

75 STD Tests

222 Pregnancy Tests

Continuing to meet needs & build relationships through:

688 Boutique Shoppers



Increasing Our Visual Presence Locally

Are you aware that Google suppresses ads from pregnancy centers like RPS? We are often shadow-banned on social media which limits our reach. Because of the support of our donors, we have been able to increase our presence locally. We have placed billboards in various areas of town; near the Ohio State/North Central State Campus, downtown Mansfield, the North End Community, and a directional billboard at the intersection right outside our doors!

Services Growing for Spanish Community

Another exciting expansion of our services has been the opportunity to offer services in Spanish. We have had an increase in online inquiries from Spanish-speaking women who are seeking the abortion pill. God was at work in providing us with several women and men who are able to translate those inquiries and responses as well as being available for in-person appointments. We now have Mom-to-Mom and Dad-to-Dad lessons available in Spanish! This progress can only happen through the continued support of our donors!

Want another way to help us earn a bonus?



Text @rpsgives to 81010

to get a reminder text to donate \$10 during the Golden Ticket "most unique donors" POWER HOUR on Tuesday, Nov. 29 from 4-5 p.m. and we can get an ADDITIONAL chance to win \$1000.

We will text you when its time to give!



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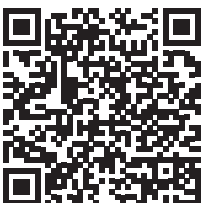
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