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## Pregnancy Resource Center of Athens Co.

# COMPASSION

#### The First Newsletter

The Pregnancy
Resource Center is a
Christian, pro-life ministry providing emotional,
spiritual, and material,
assistance to women
and men who face pregnancy or abortion related issues.

"...I have set before you life and death, blessing and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live".

Deuteronomy 30:19

After a rocky start, the Center is finally up and running and doing its best to comply with HIPAA, CLIA, OSHA, IRS and other scary acrony is It has been about three years since Athens has had a Crisis Pregnancy Center. We pray that God will bless us with clients and the volunteers to assist them. Please pray for wisdom and guidance as we will be and have been in many spiritual battles.

Jannie Wick is our abstinence coordinator and has been extremely busy presenting the message of sexual abstinence before marriage to area schools. Abstinence is a controversial issue today and hard for one to defend without facts. Please visit www.choosingthebest.org and

www.ohioabstinencecampaign.com for answers to tough questions regarding abstinence education.

Our major focus will now be to market the center especially to the University population. Look for us in next year's Yellow Pages, the OU graffiti wall, and ads in various newspapers.

I want to thank everyone who has participated in the revitalization of this ministry and hope and pray that we will be able to share the love of Jesus to those in need.

Scott Wright Board President

#### Local Doctors Offer Free Services with State-of-the-art Ultrasound and Christian love

43A S. Court St. 592-4700

Hours: M W F 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

24 hour helpline 1-800-395-HELP

athensprc@yahoo.com

Drs. Michael Clark and Jack Ramey have agreed to provide free uttrasound services to Pregnancy Resource Center (PRC) clients.

They have also agreed to allow PRC to refer clients to them for other obstetrical and gynecologically related services.

Our heartfelt thanks to Jeff Benseler for the initial contact with the doctors. Moreover, thank you to Drs. Clark and Ramey for honoring God's mandate to maintain the sanctity of human life and minister God's love to those in need.



Ultrasounds have proven to be one of the most effective ways in changing abortive minded women.

## Harvest Plenty, Laborers Few

Volunteers needed

The PRC is in need of client consultants and office assistants. Please prayerfully consider volunteering or asking someone that you are well acquainted with to help.

The next training session will be Nov. 21 & 22 at the Parkersburg Care Center. Call us for times.

The training is free. We do ask that a training manual be purchased at \$16.



To date we have trained four client consultants who are volunteering at the Center. The OU Pro Life Club and Campus Crusade has members volunteering as office assistants.

Office assistants do not need to attend the training in Parkersburg. We are only asking for three hours a week of your time for both types of volunteers. If you don't want to be committed on a weekly basis, think about helping in the Baby Bottle Fundraiser (see below) or other special opportunities.

#### Baby Bottle Boom! Spare Change to Spare a Life

Our main fundraiser so far is to provide churches with empty baby bottles, have the congregation take them home for a few weeks and fill them with change or checks. So far, we have raised \$4,794 which enables us to purchase much needed client materials and educational resources. However, our annual budget is over \$16,000.

Thanks to the following churches that have participated:

Christ Community Wesleyan

St. Paul's

Bethel Worship Center

Grace Christian

New Life

Christ the King

Church of Christ

Risen Redeemer



### Donations are Appreciated

Very generous supporters of the PRC have provided baby and maternity clothing, new furniture, pictures, lamps wallpaper and paint. Three rooms at the Center have been decorated whowing us to have a more professional, welcoming atmosphere.

Thank you to those who contributed these awesome gifts, as well as to those who painted and wallpapered,

When four women go shopping and agree on everything to decorate one room, we are blessed with spiritual unity indeed.

Look for us in December at www.athenspregnancy.com

When you take your next walk down Court St., look for the "Free Pregnancy Tests" sign and stop on in for a tour!