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**HEART MATTERS**  
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## Planned Giving for the “Unplanned”

Sometimes there are unplanned circumstances when we are in desperate need. Especially, with an unplanned pregnancy where life and death hang in the balance. But, God makes no mistakes in the unique DNA and life of a little baby. Each child is designed after His own image and purposed for His kingdom work. He knows their names. He has a plan for them...

With your Planned Giving portfolio you can leave a lasting LEGACY of LIFE by designating Muskegon Pregnancy Services with your donation in your Will, Trust, Retirement Assets, IRA Distribution (required distribution at a certain age), Property, etc.

### DID YOU KNOW?

**77% of adults do not have an end-of-life plan in place!**  
**Only 5% of charitable donors have a Legacy Giving planned!**

Planned Giving is an opportunity to think ahead and have peace of mind to secure a plan for your final wishes to take care of your own family, but also a beautiful way to consider a charitable giving that extends beyond your years! The Bible tells us in Proverbs 13:22 “A good man leaves an inheritance to his children’s children.” Our Father, through Jesus Christ, left us a legacy, and blessings, and the Bible is His will & testament for us.

### Ask yourself: How do you want to be remembered?

You can plan to give a gift of LOVE and LIFE to help generations to come! Your planned gift helps to ensure that the critical services of Muskegon Pregnancy Services continues - not just for today, but for many years to come. We want to help make that plan easy and accessible to you. Here are a few resources for you:

- The Muskegon Community Foundation is a partner of FreeWill.com for a simple FREE online program to create a will for your family and faith partners like us. Designate Muskegon Pregnancy Services for your donation.
- Jeff Greve of Greve Law is a long-time supporter of MPS and can personally help you create an estate plan that meets the goals for your family and your charitable giving. Contact him for a consultation. 231-571-0757 [www.grevelawplc.com](http://www.grevelawplc.com)
- Contact your own Financial Planner to create your estate plan for planned giving.

You can impact future generations with life-saving & life-affirming services by supporting Muskegon Pregnancy Services! Let us know that you are thinking of supporting us for your end-of-life gift!

All for life, Abundant LIFE!

Deb Null  
Executive Director

**How do you want to be remembered?**  
**LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY**



39th Annual Fundraising Banquet  
September 19th  
RSVP NOW

Empowering Hope & Courage Since 1985



## 39th Annual Fundraising Banquet



**September 19th**

Trillium Event Center, Spring Lake

5pm - Registration and Photos

6pm - Program and Dinner

Semi-Formal Attire

**Speaker: Janet Porter**

Founder-President of Faith2Action, Author,  
Architect of the Hearbeat Bill



Scan here to  
learn more and  
RSVP

### \$500 Table Sponsorships

Table sponsorships reserve and cover 8 seats for you and your invited guests. Anticipated donations at the event supports the life-affirming and life-saving services of MPS!



Use this QR code  
TO learn MORE!

# mp Seriously Funny Recap

## Comedy Night & Silent Auction

With a total of 112 attendees on March 16, our first ever comedy night was a HOOT! Rik Roberts had the crowd laughing their hearts out! We had the chance to share the mission of MPS to the community, and had a wide array of auction items ranging from enormous donuts to beautiful artwork. All the proceeds went to support MPS!



## \*Donor Communications\* We are Transitioning to a New Donor Partner Platform! Coming mid-summer!

To be better stewards of the funds we are gifted with, we are transitioning to Neon One to automate our process for donations, receipts, and improve our communication with you... our donors and partners! We ask that you extend extra patience with us during this time as we work to provide you with continually better ways to connect with MPS!



OUCH...Stamps are sky high!  
Please help us save funds by  
updating your contact information below  
along with your preference of communication!



# Volunteers needed



We have a GREAT NEED for volunteers!

### Medical Clinic Advocate

- Advocate meets with women facing unplanned pregnancies.
- No medical credentials required for this position.
- Training is provided.
- Commitment of 2 1/2 hours each week or more.

### Support Services Advocate

- Advocate meets with expectant/current mother or father, providing support and skills for success.
- Training is provided.
- Commitment of 2 1/2 hours each week or more.

### Special Ops

- Help in different areas depending on need.
- Count change, lawn care, baby boutique, events, and much more!
- Church Liaisons - Help us stay connected with your church!

Call Hailey at 231-726-2677 or email [mpsoutreach@bestoptions.org](mailto:mpsoutreach@bestoptions.org) to schedule a tour and learn more about how you can be a part of MPS with your time and talents!

# LIFEWALK RECAP



We met our goal! Thank you!

## \$24,185 raised

51 Walkers and 259 Sponsors!

Sponsors from 13 different states... as far as Hawaii!



We had 82 attendees at our Celebration Picnic on June 13th. Additionally, 15 churches were represented, with Prince of Peace bringing 6 Walkers, and winning the prize for Most Walkers with the Most Funds. We were blessed to have Ross Park and beautiful weather to join our community in prayer for the unborn, students, families, MPS, and more! We celebrated with chili dogs and root beer floats!

1st Place for Most Funds Raised this year went to previous Board Member, Zach Krause, 2nd Place was Paula Beck, and 3rd Place was the Nolan family! Thank you for joining us for a wonderful LifeWalk!



## Client Corner



"I've been coming to Muskegon Pregnancy Services since I was eight weeks pregnant. My daughter is now almost 11 months old. I wasn't expecting the impact it would have on my life and my relationship with God. I was introduced to Embrace Grace early and met some people who have changed my life and my relationship with God.

I went from loving God in private to reading my Bible daily and living for God. I want to give a special thanks to Kim, Linda, Molly, and Emma for always being so kind and welcoming. I always look forward to coming to see Kim every week. She listens to me and is full of knowledge about parenting. It is so nice to have someone to look up to."

~ A recent client