



Hand in Hand

CARE HELP HOPE

Katie* came to us several years ago at our former center on Ludington Street. As a senior in high school, she was raised in a Christian home and she lived with her parents. In a moment of weakness, she went further with her boyfriend than she intended and a few weeks later, **she found out she was pregnant**. She was in despair because she realized this changed her life plans. A friend told her that Pregnancy Services could help so she gave us a call.

Katie had always considered herself to be pro-life and knew she could never have an abortion. However, although she had experience babysitting her neighbor's kids **she felt inadequate when it came to raising a baby**. Also, **she knew her parents would be very disappointed** and she did not want to tell them she was pregnant. To make matters worse, her boyfriend recently broke up with her and **she felt very alone**.

As we talked with her, **we showed her LOVE** (Listening & Learning from her; Opening her Options; showing her a Vision and her Value; and Extending & Empowering her). We encouraged Katie to tell her parents and we gave her the words to say. **We also explained that we would walk hand in hand with her on her journey** through our *Earn While You Learn* parenting classes and mentorship. We told her that through her participation, she would be able to earn necessary things for her baby such as diapers, wipes, baby clothes, and baby furniture. **Katie felt empowered to face the difficulties** placed before her.

In the months that followed, **Katie's parents became her biggest supporters**. Katie graduated from high school, gave birth to a beautiful baby boy, Colin, and enrolled in classes at Bay College the following Fall. Throughout this time, she continued living with her parents and participated in our *Earn While You Learn* classes. **Katie eventually got a job as a receptionist and moved into her own apartment with her son**.

Recently, one of our volunteers saw Katie in town. Colin is now in kindergarten and is learning to read. He loves playing with his friends, 4-wheeling with his Grandpa, and reading to his Grandma. **Katie remembered all the help she received from Pregnancy Services those years ago and she is very grateful!**

Each day at Pregnancy Services, we journey with clients just like Katie to help them choose life, as well as, help on their parenting journey. Soon, you will also have a chance to help us walk hand in hand with our clients. On Saturday, June 8th, we will hold our 10th annual *Walk for Life*. Please **consider participating in our Walk for Life** and supporting the journey that we walk with our clients. **Together, we can continue to support clients like Katie as we walk with them Hand in Hand.**

Together for Life,

Jamie Fisher, LAS, Executive Director



*Names changed to protect identity.

DEDICATION OF THE NEW ULTRASOUND

Thank you to everyone who helped celebrate a huge milestone that has been in the works for almost a decade. On Friday, January 26th, we had an open house to dedicate the new ultrasound machine and we are pleased to announce we now offer limited ultrasound services. Our professional team is ready to provide their services in loving and non-judgmental atmosphere and has already performed several ultrasounds for our clients.

If someone you know is experiencing an unexpected pregnancy or is in need of a first trimester ultrasound, please call us at (906) 786-7474. We are here to help. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their dedication and commitment to help make this goal a reality!



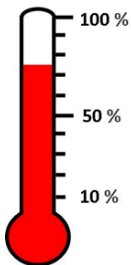
WELCOME ALESHA SWANSON



Alesha had previously served as an Advocate for several years and she now joins our staff as the new Client Coordinator. Alesha and her husband Phil have been married for ten years and they have three children: Kasadee, Jackson, and their angel baby Maverick.

Alesha and her family love playing outdoors, watching sports, golfing, having movie nights, making crafts, and spending time with extended family. She especially loves helping others and sharing the love of Jesus. We are grateful for Alesha and her dedication to Pregnancy Services!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE



Thank you to everyone who has given or pledged for our capital campaign! We are now at 75% of our \$750,000 goal; however, there is still time to be a part of this incredible endeavor! Gifts may be given as a one-time gift or a three-year pledge. If you are interested in learning more about our capital campaign please call Jamie Fisher at 906-786-7474 ext 105 or email her at directorofpsdc@gmail.com.

Scan our QR code to make your donation via our safe online page today! Thank you for your support!



WAYS TO SUPPORT

There are various ways to give a gift to PSDC that will have a lasting effect on our community. Is estate planning in your future? If so, a portion of your assets could be distributed to PSDC. Wishing to make a one time gift or a multi-gift pledge? Support our capital campaign with a gift of \$500 or more, and a leaf will be placed on our *Tree of Life* in honor or memory of your loved one. For information about the various ways to give or to become a *Partner for Life*, bequeath a gift, or to *Sponsor a Visit, Day, Client, or Room*, please contact Jamie Fisher at directorofpsdc@gmail.com or at (906) 786-7474, ext. 105.





Plan to join us at our 10th annual *Walk for Life* on Saturday, June 8th at the Chamber of Commerce building at the UP State Fairgrounds (1001 N Lincoln Road, Escanaba). Registration begins at 9 am; the program will start at 10 am with the walk to follow. After the walk, a lunch of hot dogs, brats, and hamburgers will be provided. To celebrate our 10th annual *Walk for Life*, we will have live music, a silent auction, and a bounce house; *Stages of Life* stations will also be incorporated into the walk.

To register as a walker, please visit www.psdcpartners.org/events, scan the QR code, or call (906) 786-7474. You may also pick up a pledge sheet at our center at 2501 1st Avenue North, Escanaba. Walkers are encouraged to raise \$150 in pledges. However, any walker raising at least \$25 will be given a *Walk for Life* T-shirt. T-shirts will be available on a first-come first-served basis.



Sign up to be a walker!

This year's theme is *Hand in Hand*. Your support will help us walk hand in hand with our clients as they journey to choose life and become better parents for their children.

THANK YOU FOR THEIR GENEROSITY

Holy Family Church, St. Anne's Church, St. Joseph Church, Perkins and Wellspring Community Church **FOR HOSTING CHANGE FOR LIFE.**

Christ the King Lutheran Church, Escanaba Church of Christ, Ford River Lions Club, Garden Christian Fellowship, Knights of Columbus of Escanaba and Knights of Columbus of Gladstone **FOR THEIR ORGANIZATIONAL GIFTS.**

Thank you to **Brent Challier, and his dad, Brad Challier**, who helped with installing the cupboards in our facility and in our new ultrasound room. Thank you also to **Rob Morrow** who spent hours plumbing our washer and dryer and also made it possible to have running water in our ultrasound room.



Thank you to **TV-6** for prepping and airing our capital campaign commercial.

Thank you to **Lakeside Christian Church** who collected baby items on behalf of Pregnancy Services. For one month they accepted donations of diapers, wipes, baby clothes and cleaning supplies. [If your church or organization would like to collect baby items for Pregnancy Services, please call Jamie at \(906\) 786-7474 ext. 105. By participating in our Earn While You Learn program, our clients learn how to become better parents while they earn necessary items for their baby.](#)



Join us!

For the Tree of Life Unveiling

Tuesday, May 7, 4:00-6:00 pm

Ceremony at 5:00 pm

In thanksgiving to our supporters who have given or pledged to the capital campaign, we will have an open house on May 7th to unveil the *Tree of Life*. Those donors who have given or pledged at least \$500 to the capital campaign will be honored with a branch or leaf. (Leaf colors have been modified from previously announced colors of gold, silver and bronze to be more reflective of the brilliant autumn leaf colors in our area.) If you would like to be recognized with a branch or leaf, there is still time to do so. Alternatively, your leaf inscription may be anonymous or in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Recognition Levels

BRANCH \$15,000 + RED LEAF \$5,000 - \$14,999 ORANGE LEAF \$1,500 - \$4,999
YELLOW LEAF \$1,000 - \$1,499 GREEN LEAF \$500 - \$999

At the open house we will also be unveiling sponsored rooms. As a reminder, rooms may be sponsored by those donors giving at levels of \$125 per square foot of a room's area. Rooms are currently available for donors who give at least \$15,273.

For more information on room sponsorships, please

call Jamie at (906) 786-7474, ext. 105

or email her at

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We are grateful to Ryan Bouchard of Lakestate Industries who is designing our Tree of Life. Ryan stands with Annabella McKeage (Jamie Fisher's niece) in front of the design he created.

THANK YOU!





Thank you to our Capital Campaign Donors!

We appreciate all those who gave or pledged to the capital campaign. Each donor has helped us realize the dream of purchasing the new building and expanding our services. Those who gave at least \$500 will have a leaf or branch on our tree of life, which will be unveiled at the open house on May 7th.

Thank you to the following partners who gave at this level.

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 • Let the Little Children Come to Me. - Mark 10:13-16 by Mark & Carol Povich





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- Lab quality pregnancy tests
- Ultrasound services
- Pregnancy options education
- Earn While You Learn parenting classes
- Material assistance
- Adoption support
- Referrals to community agencies
- Post abortion support and recovery
- 24 Hour pregnancy helpline
- Prenatal and postnatal support
- Breastfeeding support
- Man to man mentoring
- Healthy relationship education

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