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JOIN US FOR THE 2025 GOLF FOR LIFE!

September 5 & 6

Battlefield Golf Course

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WALK FOR LIFE: AFFIRMING LIFE ONE STEP AT A TIME

On Saturday, June 21, supporters of Affirm gathered at White Hall State Historic Site for the 3rd annual Walk for Life. With food trucks, an ice cream truck, bounce houses, face painting, and community tables, the goal is to provide a family-friendly event and encourage young people to become champions for the sanctity of life.

"It's energizing to see how many people came out on this hot day to walk for the precious sanctity of life," said Board Chair James Taylor Davis. *"I believe it's so important to lead the next generation to fight for life of the unborn AND the care of women in crisis."*



SAFE HAVEN BABY BOX NEAR COMPLETION IN BEREA



Installation of the Safe Haven Baby Box at Fire Station #2 on Glades Road in Berea is complete. The next step will be to install an alarm system that will be tested before the box is available for use. Once that is done, a blessing will be scheduled for the public. Stay tuned for more details!

This will be the second Baby Box in Madison County. The first was blessed last August at Fire Station #1 in downtown Richmond.

BEREA OPEN HOUSE



On Wednesday, June 4, in partnership with the Berea Chamber of Commerce, Affirm hosted an open house at the Berea location. The event celebrated not only one year in that location but also a new ultrasound machine. The purchase of the machine was made possible thanks to a generous donation at the 2024 Night for Life, as well as a financial gift from the Knights of Columbus. Father Tom Farrell of St. Mark Catholic Church was on hand to pray a special blessing over the ultrasound machine.

CONTINUED VICTORIES FOR LIFE

In the summer of 2022, the U.S. Supreme Court reversed the infamous *Roe v. Wade* decision that had legalized abortion nationwide. Because of Kentucky's "trigger ban" law, abortion became illegal in the Commonwealth. In November of 2024, the ACLU filed a lawsuit on behalf of a woman, who was 7 weeks pregnant at the time and seeking to challenge the current law.

On May 30, the ACLU withdrew the lawsuit, known as *Poe v. Coleman*. They did not provide a reason but did indicate they will continue to fight for abortion access in Kentucky.

"Kentuckians can be proud that our pro-life values won the day and innocent lives will continue to be saved as a result," said Kentucky Attorney General Russell Coleman.

FAMILIAR FACES JOIN THE AFFIRM STAFF



Janis Marr returns to the staff as the Community Outreach Coordinator. Janis brings her passion for serving because of her own experience as a teenage mother, as well as her previous work with social services. Now, the mother of five, she and her husband, Mike, attend Southland Christian Church.



Amy Lilly is the new Director of Client Services. She previously served as a teacher of Family & Consumer Sciences at Madison Central High School. A lifelong resident of Madison County, Amy is the mother of two young adult children. She and her husband, Corey, attend First Baptist Church.



Pam Francis joins the staff at Affirm as Client Services Associate. She previously led various parenting programs with the Madison County Cooperative Extension Service for 15 years. Pam is the mother of four adult children, 10 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. She attends Ashland Church.

SAVE THE DATE

Night for Life

Thursday, November 13

6:30-8:30pm

Southland Christian
Church

Keynote Speaker:

Monica Kelsey
*Founder of
Safe Haven Baby Box*



CURRENT NEEDS

- Size 3 & size 6 diapers
- Individual packages of baby wipes
- Paper towels
- Diaper cream
- White copy paper
- Sensitive skin toiletries

CONTACT INFO:

Getting duplicates? Changed your address? Want to sign up for occasional emails?
Email info@affirmky.org.

BUILDING A CULTURE OF LIFE

My daughter loves Legos. She's now 16, but she has built countless Lego sets over the years, many of which are still on display in her room. Yes, I have a small fortune of building blocks in my house, AND I've stepped on my fair share of those painful play pieces.

Anytime you build something, you must start with a solid foundation, particularly if you want it to last. At Affirm, our foundation is Jesus Christ, and I believe it's why we're still here over 30 years later. Our name has changed, our services have expanded, but our mission to "save the children" and their mothers by valuing and passionately affirming the gift of life will not waver.

As you can see in these pages, we've been busy. However, these public activities pale in comparison to the day-to-day ministry we are doing behind our doors. In the first six months of the year, we've already held over 300 visits in our parenting programs. We have also had more than 150 visits to our medical clinics (Richmond and Berea). The best news? **TEN KNOWN LIFE DECISIONS.**

Our desire is to not only serve those faithfully who entrust us with their care – and education – regarding pregnancy and parenting decisions. We are also tasked with shining a light in our community and continuing to build a culture of life in Madison County and beyond. Thank you for your faithful support in allowing us to be that light.



Blessings, in Christ,

Sarah

Sarah Roof
Executive Director

"Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock."

~ Matthew 7:24

Thank You!

Thank you to the following churches who allowed us to come and speak or had groups come to the center recently.

- Liberty Avenue Baptist Church
- Eastside Community Church
- Kingston Forks Baptist Church
- Journey Community Church
- White Lick Baptist Church
- First Baptist Church
- Fountain Park Church of God

Need a Speaker?

Do you want someone to come address your church or small group about Affirm's ministry efforts? Call 859-624-3942 or email sarah@affirmky.org



If you have not returned your baby bottle, please return it to our Richmond office between M-TH from 9:00am-4:00pm.