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November 13, 2025

**SOUTHLAND
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1414 Dr. Robert R. Martin Bypass
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Doors open at 6:00pm.
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6:30pm-8:30pm



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WOMEN'S HEALTH



FALL 2025

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Night for Life Set for November 13

In August of 1972, a 17-year-old girl was brutally attacked, raped, and left for dead on the side of the road. She pressed charges against her assaulter, and he was arrested and charged. Six weeks later, she found out she was pregnant. Her own mother advised her to pursue a back-alley abortion, and as she stood in front of the man who was about to do the procedure, the young woman changed her mind. She was hidden from the outside world for the remainder of the pregnancy and abandoned her baby at a small hospital in Ohio just two hours after giving birth.

This abandoned baby was Monica Kelsey—and this is where the story of Safe Haven Baby Boxes began. Monica will join us as the keynote speaker at this year's Night for Life on Nov. 13.



After spending years in the military and working as an emergency responder, Monica Kelsey took a trip to Cape Town, South Africa, where she was exposed to her first "baby box." The experience, coupled with her own history as an abandoned infant, ignited a profound and new sense of purpose for her. Determined to make a difference, Monica founded Safe Haven Baby Boxes, transforming her personal journey into a mission to save lives and support mothers in crisis.

The Night for Life is an annual fundraising dinner to benefit Affirm. In addition to hearing Monica's story, attendees will learn about Affirm's vision for 2026. If you are interested in investing in our mission to "value and passionately affirm the gift of life" and would like reservation information, email sarah@affirmky.org or call (859) 624-3942.

Safe Haven Baby Box Blessed in Berea

Madison County's second Safe Haven Baby Box was blessed on Monday, Sept. 29 at Fire Station #2 in Berea and is now available for use. It became the 58th box in Kentucky.

"We never know when or where we will be needed, so it is crucial to have options for mothers in crisis," said Monica Kelsey. "I am grateful for local advocates who take our mission to their community."

Since 2017, 69 infants have been safely and legally surrendered in a Baby Box. The National Safe Haven Crisis Line has assisted with over 170 handoff surrenders. Surrendered infants are adopted by families who have registered as foster-to-adopt.



Volunteer Spotlight



Pam Purdy began volunteering in the spring of 2024 as an advocate in our medical clinic by meeting with young women and educating them about their pregnancy.

"Serving at Affirm gives me the opportunity to be a seed planter of a different thought, and that is what I believe

God has instructed me to do. Life has taught me that I cannot change others, but through God's grace alone, change can happen as He grows the planted seeds. Life is valuable and being able to share God's truths on life, not only in this world but also regarding his eternal kingdom, is a blessed opportunity. I'm thankful to be a small part of what has and is being done here at Affirm. To God be the glory."

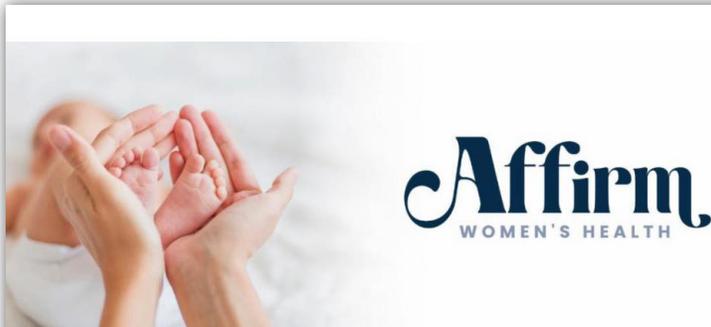
Pam and her husband have eight adult children and 14 grandchildren. She attends Ashland Church.



Affirm was represented at CityFest at ECU on Sept. 4.



Navigators from Enrich toured Affirm on July 3.



WE ARE HIRING!

Are you a nurse or do you know one who is interested in serving women facing a crisis or unplanned pregnancy?

Qualifications:

- Registered nurse or nurse practitioner
- Willing to travel and attend an in-depth training to become certified in performing limited obstetric ultrasounds
- Passionate about serving the pro-life cause through educating and empowering women

Requirements:

- Up to 32 hours per week in our Richmond clinic
- Agree to our Code of Christian Conduct and Statement of Faith
- Supports our God-given mission to "value and passionately affirm the gift of life"

If interested, email résumé to sarah@affirmky.org.

In Memoriam: Bill Wason

Our community lost a passionate champion for life when Bill Wason tragically passed away on Aug. 27. Bill was a long-time supporter of Affirm and was instrumental in securing funding from the Knights of Columbus for the new ultrasound machine at our Berea clinic earlier this year. Bill and his wife, Connie, were also active members of Madison County Right to Life.



The Value of Life

Heavy. That's the best way to describe recent events. The second week of September brought us news about a young girl being murdered on public transportation in North Carolina, a school shooting in Colorado, and the assassination of Charlie Kirk, a young man who spoke boldly about his faith and the "hot button" cultural issues of the day, including abortion.

Our culture has completely lost the value of LIFE. For nearly five decades, we were told that an unborn baby is nothing more than a blob of tissue. A choice. A woman's right. Reproductive freedom. We lost the war on words, and we lost our ability to defend LIFE.

As Christians, we know we are created in the image of God. Knit together in our mother's womb. Fearfully and wonderfully made. Given a plan and purpose by our Creator.

Let us proclaim those truths boldly to a nation and to a generation that desperately need us to lead when it comes to a multitude of questions, most notably, "What is LIFE?"

Thank you for standing with us as we seek to be a light in a dark world. You are appreciated.



For Life,

Sarah

Sarah Roof
Executive Director

Golfing for Life

The annual Golf for Life was held on Sept. 5 & 6 at Battlefield Golf Course. Over the two days, 49 teams participated (196 players). Special thanks to Ricky Clontz and Jeff Mounts who selflessly organize the event each year. Thank you also to the sponsors for their support! To view a complete listing, visit www.affirmlife.org/golf-for-life. We ask that you consider these businesses for your personal needs and thank them for their support for life!



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Members of Fairview Baptist Church held a baby shower to stock Affirm's Baby Boutique and presented the items to Sarah Roof after she spoke there on Sept. 14.



Silver Creek Baptist Church celebrated reaching their baby bottle goal with a pie-in-the-face event.