

## Compassion Pregnancy Center

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### Mission Statement

Compassion Pregnancy Center is a pro-life, Christ centered outreach ministry which educates, encourages, and supports those who face an unplanned pregnancy to empower them to choose life.



### Prayers Are Powerful

We have a prayer group that meets every other Monday at 4:00 p.m. at the center. Please consider joining us. All are welcomed.

### Please pray for:

- All those that are undecided in their choice for their pregnancy to find us.
- Transportation to be available for clients to meet their appointments.
- The unborn

### Please give praise:

- Faithful volunteers
- Abortion clinic in Southfield temporarily closed due to investigation of abortion practices.
- 70 life decisions in 2014 through our hotline and ultrasound machine.
- 300 ultrasounds performed in 2014.

### Letter from Kathy

#### Executive Director

Have you ever had to defend your Pro-Life views?

1 Peter 3:15 states “But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect.”

Here are some thoughts to proceed with a rational pro-life argument.

A pro-life person contends that an elective abortion takes the life of a human being who is defenseless. Clarify the issue with your listener.

When speaking to a pro-choice person a great place to start the conversation is, “Can we both agree that the unborn fetus is a member of the human family? If the unborn are human, we shouldn’t destroy them in the name of “choice” anymore than we should kill someone that is born and alive.

Who doesn’t love choice? Choices like where to go to dinner, what to wear, where to work, go to school or church are great choices to have. Choices like these should not be taken away from anyone. The future of our human race however should not be disposable in the name of choice. The destruction of innocent human beings that cannot defend themselves for the matter of “choice” is morally wrong.

Stephen Schwarz states that there is no morally significant difference between the embryo that you once were and the adult that you are today. Mr. Schwarz uses the acronym **SLED** as a reminder of non-essential differences: <sup>1</sup>

**Size** doesn’t determine value. Are large people more human than smaller people?

**Level of Development.** Embryos and fetuses are less developed than the adults they’ll one day become. Why is this relevant? Infants, toddlers, children, young adults and the elderly are all developmentally different and all considered part of the human family.

**Environment:** Does your value change when you cross the street? If not, how can a journey of traveling down the birth canal change the nature of the unborn from non-human to human?

**Degree of Dependency:** Are those that depend on a medication of less value to the human race? The unborn have one option and that is to depend on his or her human family to let them live.

**Size, IQ, self-awareness, area of development or location** does not define us as part of the human family. Ask your listener to compassionately and courageously follow the truth where it leads no matter what the cost to their self-interest.

Your support of life enabled Compassion to celebrate **34** life decisions from the abortion-determined women that walked through our doors in 2014 and **36** life decisions from our hotline. We are truly grateful for those that give of their time, talents and treasures.

<sup>1</sup> Stephen Schwarz, *The Moral Question of Abortion* (Chicago: Loyola University Press, 1990) p. 18



## SAVE THE DATE:

### “Rooted in Love” - Thursday, April 23, 2015

Annual Fundraising Banquet at The Mirage Banquet Center

Speaker: Fr. Agustino Torres

Fr. Agustino Miguel Torres is the Director of Evangelism for the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, co-founder of Catholic Underground, Founder of Co-razon Puro and is Executive Director of Casa Juan Diego an outreach to the poor in Yonkers, NY. He is known for his ardent zeal in bringing the light of Christ to the youth all around the world.

Check him out on 

To be a table host or reserve seats, please call 586.783.2229 and ask for Kathy or Chris or email: [info@compassionpregnancy.org](mailto:info@compassionpregnancy.org)



### Giving in Your Will



It is easy to name a charitable organization such as Compassion Pregnancy Center as a beneficiary in your will or trust. Whether it is a large or small amount, it is such a great way to leave a legacy of your support for life. Such a gift, if you have a large estate, can have tax benefits for all your beneficiaries. Even if your estate is modest, you can leave a lasting footprint with a gift to Compassion. If you do not have an estate plan, establishing one allows you to direct how you want your assets to be divided upon your death, rather than allowing state law to determine where they go. Prayerfully consider leaving a legacy for LIFE.



### Kroger Community Rewards Program

Please link your Community Rewards card to Compassion. We will receive a % of all your purchase. Compassion Pregnancy Center #91853.



### Amazon Smile

Go to Amazon Smile and select Compassion Pregnancy as your charitable organization and we receive money from your Amazon purchase at no cost to you.



### Cartridges for Kids

Bring in your used print cartridges or old cell phones.



### Ebay

We now have a volunteer selling things on EBAY for us. Do you have something you would like to donate so we could receive the funds from the sale? Email: [info@compassionpregnancy.org](mailto:info@compassionpregnancy.org)

## TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS

### Orientation Dates

March 30, 2015	10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
April 27, 2015	10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
June 29, 2015	10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
July 27, 2015	10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.
September 28, 2015	10:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m.

### Extended Training

Spring May 18-20, 2015	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m.
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If you are interested in volunteering, please call the center and ask for Linda Neeper or email [info@compassionpregnancy.org](mailto:info@compassionpregnancy.org) to explore our many volunteer opportunities

**Receptionists, Peer Counselors, Store Workers,  
Ultrasound Chaperones & Housekeeping.**

## CHANGE FOR LIFE

This is a great, easy way to make a difference. You will be amazed at the amount you can raise with this approach. This is great for churches, women's/men's groups and inside of your workplace. Just follow these 3 easy steps:

1. Call Compassion and put a hold on baby bottles for a specified date range.
2. Distribute the bottles to your church, organization or school.
3. Ask participants to fill their bottles for a month and return by a specified date.

Compassion will take care of the sorting, counting and rolling! This is a great campaign for churches in the month of January for Sanctity of Human Life. Start planning now and call us to reserve your bottles.

Also, great to do for February – Valentine's month, May – Mother's Day month, or June – Father's Day month. Youth groups have been really effective and a blessing to us in running this campaign.



**Here's what the clients are saying at Compassion...**

**What has Compassion done for you?**

*"I started doing Bible studies which has really opened my eyes to different choices I've been making in my life.*

*"I've realized certain people in my life only have negative thoughts towards God and will hold me and are holding me back from moving in the right direction."*

*"I also know God sees all the hard work we do. I really feel I should be doing right because you never know who may be watching...we have the ability to be a positive change in others' lives.*

*I could be having the worst day when I walk into Compassion and by the time I leave all the burdens have been taken off my back—Christina*

**What has Compassion done for you?**

*"The peer counselor would pray with me and along with a combination of different things in my life at the same time really got me thinking. I started going back to church and doing Bible Studies. The father of my kids and I are now getting married. I feel like I've been on this long journey and now for the first time in my life all this stress is gone. I've found what it is I've been looking for...my faith.—Marla*

Collectively at Compassion we defy the notion held by some that to be pro-life is to also be angry and judgmental. What we have found is that we can love them, we can teach them but we can't judge them. At Compassion we are Pro-Love regardless of our client's situation or choice.

- Honest Answers
- Sincere Concern
- Free & Confidential



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### Store Needs:

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- Diapers - Sizes 4 & 5 and Newborn
- Baby Bottles
- Newborn Boys and Girls Sleepers
- Newborn Onesies
- Manual Breast Pumps
- Car Seats (New)
- Socks & White Tights (Newborn to 4)
- Lotion & Diaper Rash Cream
- Baby Cereal
- Baby Shampoo & Wash
- Pacifiers & Teething Rings
- Baby Bath Towels & Wash Cloths

We accept donations of new and gently used clothing up to 4T.

Cribs and Car Seats must be new.

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### Do you have an email address?

In order to best use the funds God has blessed us with, we would love to send you our newsletter via email.

Please email your address to:  
[info@compassionpregnancy.org](mailto:info@compassionpregnancy.org)