



Mother of Life
Center

Summer Appeal 2024



Dear Friends,

It is an honor to be serving as Executive Director of Mother of Life Center. I am grateful to all who have helped build and provide for this amazing organization over the past 40 years. I'm happy to report that since last July, we have served more than 407 families and given away over 18,000 baby materials, all provided by you, our deeply caring, generous benefactors. We are enthusiastic and have great hope for the future!

Our current priority is a new medical team. We need an M.D. and an ultrasound technician to ramp up our readiness to perform the *limited diagnostic ultrasounds* that enable us to confirm pregnancies and give women insight regarding the precious reality of life in their wombs. Talk to your network and ask if anyone can refer to us these pro-life professionals. Ask them to call me for a discussion of how we can work together to save lives.

As demand for our services increases, we are determined to meet the challenge. Your steadfast support is essential. Regular contributions, participation in fundraisers (see Rose Gala below), enrollment in our forthcoming Circle of Life Giving Society, gifts of stocks, QCDs, bequests, etc., and donations of baby and maternity goods, all these and more are the critical means by which we accomplish our mission.

Like any charitable discipline of mercy, recommitment is a necessary element of personal success, like the disciples of Jesus had to steady themselves through the difficult times.

We are always thankful to YOU—our donors, who sustain us financially and spiritually; our volunteers, who find new and innovative ways to serve; and, our strategic partners, who join us in caring for and encouraging women to choose life for their babies. Your support and prayers are invaluable to us as we nurture a culture of life in today's world. Together, we can make a difference and bring hope to those who need it most.

May God bless you abundantly for your dedication to the cause of Life.

Lise Doyle
Executive Director

Rose Gala to Celebrate Our 40th Anniversary



On Thursday, October 24, your presence will be the key to celebrating the organization's anniversary because every blessed day of those 4 decades has been made possible by your steady support. In the honor of your company we will host our annual Gala at Kirkbrae Country Club, 197 River Road, Lincoln, at 6:00 p.m.

For tickets and information scan the QR code or visit motheroflife.org/purchase-tickets or contact Lise@motheroflife.org or 401-421-0821. RSVPs are due by September 28.



Sponsorship, advertising information, and sales are on the same page. For inclusion in the program booklet, commitments and ads are due by September 17. Contact richard@motheroflife.org or 401-421-0821.

Positive Impact Report: Layettes were given to mothers for the birth of their 150 babies among the 18,744 baby & maternity items given away and 407 families served.

Biking for Babies: "Would I do something this crazy for them?"

Imagine riding a bicycle 100 miles per day for 6 consecutive days. Even if you're the qualifying 18 – 39 years young, it's still a daunting challenge, especially if you were not previously a cycling athlete, as our 2024 Biking for Babies Missionary Rider, Amanda Nolan, a Boston resident, admits she was not — "I didn't even own a bike."

Yet, like her 8 teammates, she trained physically and spiritually to ride from Charlotte, North Carolina to Arlington, Virginia, July 8 – 13. They were among the 76 Missionary Riders whose teams conquered 8 different routes in several states to raise more than \$300,000 for 88 pro-life pregnancy resource centers in the U.S.

Amanda represented our center with outstanding love, awareness, eloquence, grace and cheerfulness from the moment she was partnered with us. Furthermore, she alone raised \$12,000 of the aforementioned aggregate that will be granted to the centers.

After visiting on June 12, Amanda wrote to her many supporters, "What a JOY it was to see the Center in action and meet the staff who are truly the hands and feet of Jesus to pregnant women and families in need. There is no limit to their devotion and generosity. No one is ever turned away, no situation is insurmountable, and they walk with their clients every step of the way. They are angels among us and I'm so thankful to all of you for supporting their work through your donations and prayers."

To read more of Amanda's soul-stirring introspection and observations, scan the code in her photo.



Two important signs on our building received much-needed makeovers because of the beneficence of several proactive donors, including artist Jan Gendron who hand-repainted the gold-trimmed Our Lady of Guadalupe sign over our main entrance.

We also thank: Arthur & Shirley Andolfo, Stephen & Marie Andolfo, Knights of Columbus JFK Council #5701, William & Barbara Melone, and Jim & Beth Italiane.



If you see something you'd like to help with, we'll be ever so grateful!

In our Spring newsletter we drew attention to our leaking 20 year-old roof. Your recurring generosity enables us to pay the insurance premiums that resulted in full coverage of the cost of new shingles for the entire roof and repainting of water-stained ceilings — a perfect example of the power of monthly contributions. Thank you for covering us!

Share this appeal with a caring friend!

Rose Sale Report

With the blessed participation of 56 churches, and dozens of volunteer coordinators, drivers and sales assistants, plus exuberant contributory purchasing by thousands of parishioners, we distributed 11,450 roses during May, resulting in record-breaking donations!



For all of you and St. Thérèse, whose intercession we invoked, we present to Heaven a bouquet of gratitude.

Our Autumn Rose Sale will be conducted Oct. 19 & 20 in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary.

Ways to Give to the Center

- Recurring gifts, especially monthly.
- Legacy giving, including beneficiary designation.
- IRA/QCD, Donor Advised Funds, and Stocks.
- Employer Matched Contributions.
- Vehicles and Real Estate.
- Memorials – pew plaques and bricks available.
- Make a special donation in honor of the September 8th Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Contribute easily online at motheroflife.org/donate or mail your gift to **Mother of Life Center, 400 Atwells Ave., Providence, RI 02909**. For further assistance please phone Lise Doyle or Richard Lafond at 401-421-0821.

In Their Own Words: "I want to cry every time I come in here. You have no idea how much you are helping the community. You're really helping us!"