

# PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER. INC Fall 2022 Newsletter

A 501(c)3 Non-profit California Corporation TAX I.D #51-0187577 providing for homeless pregnant adult women since 1989

"Saving babies, one mother at a time."

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# Our mission and vision is to "provide a safe, healthy, loving, residential environment with supportive services for homeless pregnant adult women and their children."



From the Executive Director's Desk...

Dear Supporters,

As we draw close to the end of 2022 and reflect on all that YOU have provided for the women and

children of Precious Life, we are grateful and humbled. Our women and their babies are growing and thriving because of your generosity. Our newsletter will share photos of little ones and those that are now in school. Look at their beautiful faces as they have been gifted by your goodness and generosity. Thank YOU.

We come to the end of the year celebrating 30 years of our Thrift and Gift Shop, and we are blessed to have this social enterprise to help provide for our operations. It has been a wonderful, successful year. We are looking to hire one or two HANDY HELPERS, Monday through Friday, 9:30 - 4:30. It is an outside position. It is manual labor in that one receives all donations, prepares them for sorting areas, arranges shelves, bags, moves objects, works with lots (never enough <sup>©</sup>), of Volunteers (Please join us), and meets great supporters. Those interested should a send resume to Kathy@preciouslifeshelter.org. We thank all our shop volunteers for the commitment they make to work in the shop as sorters and pricers, processing donations everyday. YOU will see a celebration of all volunteers in this newsletter.

In operating the shelter, it is important to maintain our property, and this year we have accomplished through your generosity and grants replacing two roofs, giving another roof a "tune-up", repairing state specs sky lights that were over 30 years old and cracked, weathering office sky lights for heat and replacing one Emergency Shelter washer/ dryer after 30 years. I think we got our worth from that donated machine. We totally upgraded the Infant Care Cribs and supplies to meet licensing standards. We have to completely replace the air/heating unit in the Infant Care building just now as it could no longer be serviced because of state regulations. All the trim on the five buildings on Reagan Street have been repaired and painted after a complete power washing. Much needed. We had our usual calls to plumber and electrician to take care of regular break downs with so much use of sinks, toilets, and light fixtures. A generous donor grant helped with some of these expenses, but YOU our supporters help us maintain the home for our clients and their children. Thank YOU.

We were blessed to receive funding from Grace Community Church Seal Beach to upgrade our Chrome Books for our women to attend school, required meetings they are ordered to attend, go to court virtually, and so many other appointments they cannot reach by public transportation. As "A Precious Christmas" approaches, we invite all of YOU to join us on December 11, 2022, from 3:30 - 6:30. Santa will arrive, tours and refreshments will be available. Come and see what YOU so generously provide for moms and babies.

We had a "SOLD OUT" fantastic 16th Annual "Tee Off for the Heart" in September at El Dorado Park Golf Course. See the fun had by all in this newsletter. Thank YOU for your sponsorships, support and participation. Mark September 20, 2023, and join us!!

Our event days are almost all set for 2023, so keep your eyes on our website and email blasts, and there will be some new ways to join us and support our women and children.

One special announcement we just received is that we have been selected as one of the charities that will benefit from the proceeds of the annual "Bang on the Bay" at The Boathouse on the Bay in Long Beach on July 3, 2023. Watch for more details and stop at the Boathouse and thank John Marris, Owner, for selecting Precious Life. We are excited and grateful.

As YOU prepare to join family and friends during this holiday season, we wish each of YOU the joy of being together . We try and create for our clients and children the family they may not have in their lives, and YOU have enriched their lives by your goodness and generosity for them.

So please know how much we cherish all of YOU and we leave you with this thought:

- S See M - Miracles I - In L - Life
- **E** Everyday

May this season upon us find each of you smiling in the mirror, reflecting what you have shared with us for the moms and babies we serve.

Blessings,

Thursn & Aurphy

Theresa E. Murphy Executive Director

P.S. Your pledge campaign funds for 2022 will begin our development for 2023 on our new property. Thank you.

### **RESIDENT'S CORNER**

# Our Newest Little Ones



Jeremiah - September



Andrew-July



Not Pictured: Mia ~ Girl

Leilani ~ Girl

BABY

# PLS Graduates Growing Up So Fast... First Day of School





1st Grade

Ezra

Audrina

# BIG gir

# BIG girl turns ONE!



Happy Birthday, Janice, who turned One Year Old this past September. You're a BIG GIRL now!

### **SHELTER NEEDS**

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1 1/2" Three Ring Binders Paper Clips ~ Standard Smooth Bright White Copy Paper ~ 20lbs (not recycled) Batteries ~ 9 Volt, AA, AAA, D & C Letter Size Manila File Folders Scrubbing Bubbles Cleaner Lysol Spray Bona ~ Disposable Wet Cleaning Pads Brother P Touch TZe Refill tape ~ Black on White Powdered Laundry Detergent ~ Small Black Drawstring Trash Bags ~ 33 Gallon White Kitchen Trash Bags ~ 13 Gallon Ziplock Storage Bags ~ 1 Gallon Canned Soups / Canned Chicken Forever Stamps for Residents Bassinette Sheets ~ 32" x 16" (Pac N Play size)

## Our Appreciation and Thanks...to

these groups, businesses, and individuals who have supported our mission and vision to help the women and infants we serve during these past few months:

#### American Legion

#### Food Finders

Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church ~ Los Alamitos Grace Community Church ~ Seal Beach Irvine Volunteer Association Mary's Kitchen National Charity League ~ South Coast Chapter Orange Grove Quilters Guild Old Ranch Women's Golf Association **Rotary Club of Cypress** Rozanne Williams St. Hedwig Respect Life Ministry ~ Los Alamitos St. Irenaeus Respect Life Ministry ~ Cypress St. Matthew's Catholic Church ~ Right to Life Long Beach Susan Cayhill **United Health Care** Woman's Guild ~ St. Anne's Catholic Church Women of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd ~ Buena Park



Thank you, Irvine Volunteer Association, for the delivery of baby layette baskets you put together for our new moms. We are grateful for your support.

Thankful & Blessed 💟



Beautiful, handmade quilts by Orange County Quilters Guild and Chickens and Hens Quilter Fellowship and delivered to Precious Life for resident beds. Look how colorful!

# Serve Los AL ...



Evergreen Alliance Employees

JFTB Sunburst Academy Graduates



Thank you, Serve Los Al volunteers for your service to Precious Life. SPE Units received a sprucing up and were given a fresh new look inside. Evergreen Alliance did all the paint prep. Sunburst Academy graduates did all of the painting of the walls inside each unit. Thank you to Ken Vechiarelli, of Golden State Water, as team captain for your direction and support.

Adopt A Family

We need YOU to help make this holiday season a special one for a mom and her baby by adopting them for Christmas. We will provide you with a list of their needs/wishes, and all you do is bring the unwrapped gifts to the shelter's office and we will place them under their tree.

If you are interested please call 562-431-5025 and ask for Tammy.



Here are some ideas for Residents & Babies: Women's Robes, Pajamas, Slippers, Socks, Bath Towel Sets, Forever Stamps, Hair Brushes, Combs, Gift Cards, Lip Balm, Stuffed Toys, Board Books, Bibs.

# 2022 "TEE OFF FOR THE HEART ?"

# "Remembers lovingly" Don Gath & Jean Barbazette"



# Congratulations to all the Winners!

PRESENTING SPONSORS Deanna & Joey Anderko Pacific Premier Bank

### **Putting Contest**



Jeremy Gardner

# ONGOING BENEFACTORS

**Angel Advocate** 

Joey & Deanna Anderko Pacific Premier Bank

Wish Associate

Faith Fellow James & Karen Zagorski

Aspire Participant Roger & Connie Udabe Kathy Wachter Knights of Columbus #3629

### **Closest to the Pin ~ Men**



Henry Aguila

Low Score ~ Men



**"The Ridgebacks"** Rex Winters, Ken Lehrer, Dan Carter & Shane Smith.

#### Low Score ~ Wom-



**"Shots of Fire"** Barbara Baldassano, Susanne Duit, Janice Harbin & Shane Smith.

#### **Longest Drive** ~ Men



Henry Aguila

#### **Longest Drive** ~ Women



#### Steffnie Molley

# THANK YOU SPONSORS

#### **Eagle**

Accurate Property Restoration Don Gath Insurance Agency Edward Jones ~ Sean Payne Richard Barbazette

<u>Birdie</u> Knights of Columbus #3052

#### <u>Hole</u>

Jim & Theresa Murphy The Steinhauser Family Golden State Water Co. Dave & Mary Chamberlain St. Pius X, St. Matthias Academy

> Lunch John & Anne Price

> > **Dinner**

Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of Long Beach In Honor of Don Gath

Bloody Mary Bar Rose Angiuli United Rentals Trench Safety

#### Margarita Bar

Lloyd Mantong ~ Notary RGS Inc. ~ Michael Roide

On-Course Beverage Eagan Rose Inc. John & Chryl Eagan

Chopper Dropper Dean & Wendy Grose



### **The Winning Ball**



Theresa Murphy - Executive Director Maddy Salvador - Intern Kathy Madrid - Social Media Special-

### **Round Ball Rally Winners**



**"Putt Pirates"** Steve Castonola, Robert Douglas, Henry Aguila & Mark Castonola.

### Wonderful Volunteer Crew



Cathy Hughes, Rose Angiuli, Tina Shaw, Theresa Murphy, Virginia Fitzsimons, Anne Price, Kathi Eyeserbeck, Kathy Mills, Martha Alejandre and Maddy Salvador.

#### Special Thanks to :

Our Intern Maddy Salvador, for putting together another successful event.

Our great Golf Committee: Anne Price, Greg Gath, Inja Chung, Jeff Malone , John Passinisi, Wendy Grose, Kathy Mills.

Cathy Hughes and Jennie Donaldson for putting together the beautiful auction items.

Thank you to all our hardworking volunteers for making this day a wonderful success.

### Chopper Dropper Winner



John Grossi

#### **Beloved Sponsors**



Deanna and Joey Anderko with their winning item.



#### **Ball Launcher Winner**



Mike McCrary

#### **Baked For A Cause**



Linda Barrett and Former Resident Tanya, her daughter hosting at the baked treats hole.

#### **Speed Golf Winners**



**"11C ~ LB 908"** Paul Slater, Jake Armstrong, Dave Zancanaro & John Grossi.



#### Fun on the Course



Volunteers Deanne Dillenbeck and Patti Johnson handing out cards for the poker game.

# Grateful to these donors:

Back Swing Golf Event, Inc. Craig Cartozian & Tequila Mandala Daniel & Marla Welsh Desert Willow Golf Resort El Dorado Park Golf Course Kathy Corbett Lauri Blanchard, Stylist Marah Fineberg-Kuck Mary Mehus Mike & Becky Schliskey Recreation Park 18 Golf Course Rita Mattero South Coast Repertory Terry McCarthy Tim Pearce



On Saturday, October 8, 2022, Precious Life Board of Directors, Staff, Volunteers and former residents came together for our Annual Volunteer Recognition Brunch. Held at El Dorado Park Golf Club in celebration of our volunteers honoring all that YOU do for the shelter. We are so blessed and truly grateful for each and everyone of YOU.

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#### "TWENTY" YEAR



Diane Hassell & Carol Foster (Not Pictured: Dawn Foor)



"FIVE" YEAR

Nancy Lopez, Gail Larderuccio & Cheri Crocker. (Not Pictured: Anne Price, Sean Kavanaugh, Nyra Carranza, Lauise Hunter, Judy Hughes, Carol Kunkle, Christina Watson, Wilbert Pete Mascarenas, Victoria Johnson, Clarence Lloyd, Veronica Matlock)

Beautiful Dining hall ready for guests to

arrive.

#### **"TEN" YEAR**



Theresa D'Agostino (Not Pictured: Phyllis Nordstrom, Majella Maas, Lynn Nguyen)

#### "THIRTY" YEAR



Betty Hart (Not Pictured: Shirley Ensch)





#### Thank you...

Guests enjoy a delicious brunch.

our wonderful volunteers for your valuable contribution and service to Precious Life. We could not do what we do without YOU!

#### SPECIAL RECOGNITION "above & beyond the call"



Linda Hall, Jennie Donaldson & Paul St. Onge (Not Pictured: Lori DeLillis & Gina Parker)



#### **"TWENTY FIVE" YEAR**



Sisters, Neva Senske & Shirley Ashford

#### GRADUATE AND HER SONS



Antoinette Consiglio was a resident back in 2002 , sons Anthony and Mateo – age 19 who was born at PLS.

### **In Memory**

#### Intentions For....

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#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**"A Precious Christmas" Annual Open House:** Dec.11, 2022 @ 3:30 to 6:30pm

"A Taste of Precious Life" Santa Maria BBQ, Wine & Craft Beer Tasting: June 4, 2023 @ St. Isidore's Plaza Mini Rec "Putting Cup: TBA

**"Tee Off for the Heart♥":** Sept. 20, 2023 @ El Dorado Park Golf Course

Boathouse on the Bay "Breakfast Buffet Kick-off: Jan. 8, 2023 Bowling Bonanza: March 25, 2023

### **In Honor**

Intentions For.... Requests were made by... Jack & Virginia Fitzsimons Margaret Dunn **BIRTH/BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY** ~ CELEBRATIONS~ All Of My Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren Theresa Sherrin Birthday ~ Rose Marie Angiuli Savina Crosetti 90th Birthday ~ Marlyn McMasters Cheryl Downing PLS Board of Directors & Staff 50th Wedding Anniversary ~ David & Laurie Harlow Theresa Sherrin PLS Board of Directors & Staff 57th Wedding Anniversary ~ Larry & Savina Crosetti Rose Marie Angiuli 65th Wedding Anniversary ~ Gene & Marlyn McMasters Cheryl Downing PLS Board of Directors & Staff Wedding ~ John Spisak & Christy Reilly Henry & Donna Eagar In Memory ~ John Byrne & Mary Kay Healey Jim & Anne Hughes Join ebay Team

Need a vintage book lister - Contact Gina Parker 714-488-1942 or Email to ginaparker@me.com

#### **Thrift Shop Handy Helper Needed**

Visit preciouslifeshelter.org, Employment Opportunities for detail.

## WAYS YOU CAN HELP IRA Charitable Distribution

If you are age 72 or better you can make a tax-free gift by instructing the Trustee of your IRA to transfer the withdrawal directly to a charity. While not tax deductible, the funds transferred from your IRA to a charity count toward your RMD and you do not incur any federal income tax liability. Talk to your financial advisor. Be sure to tell your trustee to include your name and indicate it is from an IRA so you can be issued a correct receipt.

#### **Donor Advised Funds**

If you are one of the "one in a million" who has established a Donor Advised Fund it's easy to recommend a grant to Precious Life, our tax ID # is 51-0187577. Feel free to contact Chris Arnaldo at Edward Jones (714)901-5654 or Chris.arnaldo@edwardjones.com with any questions or talk to your financial advisor.

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2:20bw - 6:30pm

December 11, 2022

"A Precious Christmas"

Please join us at our Annual Open House

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