

# PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER. INC SUMMER 2021 Newsletter

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

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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 Friends of Precious Life,

So the beauty of summer has come and what a wonderful time to be back among each other.

The past fifteen months have made each of us rethink how we contact one another and plan to gather to nurture relationships. We are excited to share that our 15th annual "Tee Off for the Heart\( \Psi \) "Golf Tournament will take place on September 22, 2021, at El Dorado Golf Course in Long Beach. Please join the fun, gather your foursome and call the office if you would like to volunteer or have an item you might like to contribute for the drawings. Of course, the Helicopter Ball Drop for cash prize will happen, and dinner in the big tent will culminate the day of great fun on the course. Details are in this newsletter and on the website. Early Bird prices are in effect, so join the fun. We will be honoring Don Gath and Jean Barbazette for being such inspirations in growing this event. May they both rest in peace and guide us as we strive to provide for PLS!!

Is life back to normal? Well, all of us have made adjustments to keep residents, babies, volunteers and staff safe and follow the recommendations of health authorities and California regulations. Certainly, I have learned "Zooming" these past 15 months. © So grateful for all the legal guidance that has helped the shelter and Thrift Shop stay in compliance.

Our census has been very different these past 15 months, with women coming in very late in their pregnancy with little or no prenatal care. Our staff has really tried to assist quickly, but the demands are great. What has not changed is YOUR goodness and generosity!! At a time when we could not have any volunteers or visitors, so many of YOU reached out to help us through needed financial donations, supplies, treats for the residents and staff, and just sending notes checking in on PLS!! What a blessing each one of YOU is to us, and we are grateful.

During this time, we are on-boarding new staff and an intern who is working on all our events coordination. Our new Infant Care Director, Denise Aguilar, joined us last month; Our Transitional House Supervisor, Elona Williams, joined us in March, and our intern, although a long-time volunteer, joined the PLS team in June. We welcome each of them and hope you will welcome them as well when you see them at the shelter or at events for PLS!

Other great news for Precious Life is our Volunteer Recognition Brunch, which will happen October 24th; A Precious Christmas will return December 12th; and if you aren't on our regular Constant Contact blast, you might miss great announcements for Popup Sales and special events at the shop. Contact Tammy at 562-431-5025 so we can add your name and email to our mailing list. Of course, volunteers are welcome and needed for events and activities, as well as at the Thrift Shop. Our sale days still remain Monday-Friday,10-4pm. Please visit our website www.preciouslifeshelter.org and click on Get Involved, then Volunteer, and below there you will find the volunteer forms. Please print them all and return to shelter office.

We thank YOU for your thoughtfulness and support, and we are preparing future development on the property we acquired on Reagan Street. All proceeds from planned events and our Annual Pledge Campaign will be earmarked for such. YOU have stood with us in each endeavor as we have expanded to provide for the women and children we serve, and we are blessed by your generosity. A saying that has impacted me since I began volunteering and working with Precious Life is, "They may forget what you said but they will not forget how you made them feel," which C. Buechner wrote to inspire others. Believe us when we share that our women feel blessed because of each of YOU caring for them and yet never meeting them. Regular calls and letters, postings and drop-ins let us know what a difference you have made in their lives.

May this summer season find us relishing how you have each come through a year of challenges and yet made others "feel" your presence.

With Gratitude,

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Theresa E. Murphy
Executive Director

### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

"Tee Off for the Heart♥": Golf Tournament Sept. 22, 2021 at El Dorado Park Golf Course

Volunteer Recognition Brunch: Oct. 23, 2021 @ 10am to 12pm

"A Precious Christmas" Annual Open House: Dec.12, 2021 @ 3:30 to 6:30pm

"Affair of the Heart♥" Gala: March 5, 2022 @ The Reef in Long Beach

### RESIDENT'S CORNER

## Our Newest Little Ones



## **APRIL**



Apollo

### **NEEDS**

Cr2032 Batteries
Scrubbing Bubbles Cleaner
Lysol Spray
Bona ~ Disposable Wet Cleaning Pads
Brother P Touch TZe Refill tape ~ Black on White
Powdered Laundry Detergent
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  $\sim$  32" x 16" (Pac N Play size)





# Baby Room Volunteers Needed







Newborn Layette Bags are given to each woman who enters PLS Program.

Do you love organizing things? If you do... we really need YOU! Our baby supply room needs some organizing, sorting, and someone to put together adorable Newborn Layette Bags and Mother's Starter Layette Boyes. We are so blessed and grateful for all the wonderful donations we receive from generous donors. All items are provided to each resident when entering the shelter and when they deliver. Contact the shelter and find out how you can get started. 562-431-5025



Newborn Layette Bags and Mother's Starter Layette Boxes are given to each new mom 3 weeks before she delivers.

# 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 this past few months:

Barbara Kanapoli Book Group ~ Oat Cain Charleen Fitzgerald Chloe Serrano & Family ~ Youth Group Food Delivery Cottonwood Church Deanna Villegas Debi Qualls DeRMA .E think ~ Nicole Partise Fit 4 Mom ~ Melissa, Chelsea & Courtney Food Finders Hawaiian Gardens Food Bank Hen's and Chickens ~ Nora Peardon Hooks and Needles for Charity Hope Lutheran JSerra Prolife Group Kay Fielder

Los Alamitos Parks & Recreations Marcia Corona Marge Mont Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church NCL ~ Las Amigas Neilson Family Orange County Quilters Guild Orange County Rescue Mission Pat Montagnoli Peggy Heath St. Hedwig Respect Life Ministries St. Joseph High School Students The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints ~ Los Alamitos The Giving Spirit Valerie Decker Vicki Witt



Thank you, Chloe, Helen, Hector and Camden for blessing PLS residents with a delicious home-cooked meal.



Girl Scout Troop 2803 Bethany Christian Long Beach

We graciously thank donors for continuing support throughout 2020 Annual Pledge Campaign:

Mr. Bruce Buehner Knights of Columbus #3052 Ms. Rosemary Nuss



Thank you to the Neilson boys, Marcus, Alexander, Peter, Felix and baby Damien and their mother Lisa, for the delivery of baby food they collected for PLS.



Executive Director Theresa Murphy and Office Assistant Tammy Krause receive monetary donation from NCL. We are so grateful for all they do for PLS.



Precious Haley made each resident a Mother's Day card and delivered them to the shelter along with her mother. She is the granddaughter of Bill Greening, longtime volunteer "IT Guru!"



Mother's Day Gift Baskets delivered to PLS residents from St. Hedwig Respect Life Ministry Representatives Santa, Maryanne and Cathy.

# A Mother's Day Celebration

We would like to thank the ladies from Branch Church for continuing to bless our women by hosting this fabulous Mother's Day celebration.. Residents were treated to a delicious Mexican Fiesta, fun craft project and spectacular Spanish dancers. Thank you for giving these women a very fun day!



Permanent Housing resident Cinthia and Audrina are ready for the fiesta.



PLS Residents and their babies ready to have a good time.









Thank you to the dancers for providing a fabulous show.



Residents enjoyed craft time painting wooden boxes as keepsakes.

# Overwhelmed by Kindness

National Charity League is a community outreach group made up of mothers and daughters who serve the needs of the community together. We have been so blessed by these amazing women over the years, and especially this past year during COVID; they have gone above and beyond in everything they do. They continue to provide weekly meals, handmade holiday cards, delicious home-baked treats each week, and love to babysit our infants in a moment's notice. We can't thank them enough for being there when we needed them the most.



Baked Treats





Holiday Cards

Sunday Supper



We thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

## Congratulations



A very special Volunteer, Maddy Salvador, has graduated from St. Pius X-St. Matthias Academy and will be attending Ave Maria University Southwest Florida in the fall. We are excited to announce that she will be working at Precious Life as an Intern for all our events.

### INTRODUCING



Denise Aguilar
Infant Care
Director



Welcome to the PLS Team!

# "Tee Off for the Heart♥" 15th Annual Golf Tournament Presenting Sponsor Pacific Premier Bank

## **Donor/Sponsor Information**

Thank you for your contribution to our 15th Annual Golf Tournament (Please include this form with your item so that we may properly credit your gift)

| <u>Donor Information</u>  |                    | <u>D</u>  | onation receipt will be mailed  |
|---|--------------------|-----------|---|
| Company Donor Name:   |                    |           |   |
| Address:  |                    |           |   |
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| Retail Value of you donation:   | \$                 |           |   |
| Any restrictions, expiration dates or                                 |                    |           |   |
| Special instructions:   |                    |           |   |
| Tee Off For The Heart Sponsors  |                    |           |   |
| □\$5,000 Dinner Sponsor   | □\$250             | 19th Ho   | ole Margarita Bar Sponsor   |
| □\$2,500 Chopper Dropper Sponsor                                      | □\$250             | Bloody    | Mary Bar Sponsor  |
| □\$2,000 Lunch Sponsor  | □\$2,500           | Eagle     | Sponsor - Foursome, dinner, sign on   |
| □\$1,500 On-Course Beverage Sponsor                                   |                    |           | Program recognition, podium   |
| □\$1,500 Golfer Swag Bag  |                    | -         | ition, 4 additional dinner tickets with   |
| □\$400 Driving Range Sponsor □\$350 Hole Sponsor - Sign on course and | d <b>□</b> \$1,200 |           | d seating and opportunity tickets   |
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| □\$200 Tee Sponsor - Program Recognition                              | on                 |           | , and opportunity tickets   |
| Ongoing Benefactors   |                    |           | HOLE IN ONE Prize Sponsored by  |
| □\$25,000 Inspiration Benefactor □\$1,000                             | Hope Patron        |           | Jeff Malone with Newfront Insurance   |
| □\$10,000 Angel Advocate □\$500                                       | Faith Fellow       |           | Package for two(2) include: accommoda-  |
| □\$5,000 Dream Family □\$250  | Guardian Asso      | ociates   | tions for a four (4) night stat at the Lodge at Pebble Beach, and rounds of golf at |
| □\$2,500 Wish Associate □\$100  | Aspire Particip    | ate       | Pebble Beach, Spyglass Hill and Spanish   |
| Yes, I would like to participate in this wonderful e                  | event by:          |           | Bay. Airfare also included.   |
| Sponsoring the selected items above or making                         | a donation in      | he amo    | unt of \$   |
| Please register golfers @ \$200 ea. (\$180                            |                    | ıst 30th) | \$  |
| Please reserve dinner only tickets @ \$50e                            |                    |           | \$  |
| Golfer/Dinner names:  |                    |           |   |
| Chopper Dropper: 1 for \$10 or 3 for \$20                             |                    |           | \$  |
| (500 numbered balls will be dropped for all to watch;                 |                    |           |   |
| need not be present to win - \$500 CASH PRIZE)                        |                    |           | Total \$  |
| Enclosed is my check or Charge myVisaN                                |                    |           |   |
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| Please send donations to: Precious Life Shelter, F                    | P.O.Box 414, Los   | s Alamita | os, CA 90720. We would like to rec  |

questions by emailing: maddy@preciouslifeshelter.org or call 562-431-5025.

## **In Memory**

#### **Intentions For....** Requests were made by... Adelaide Cousins Mr. & Mrs. Pal Seigman Bobbie Bloch t Woman's Club of Cypress Carol Sylvia t Robert & Santa Campuzano t PLS Board of Directors & Staff Carol Sylvia Dodie O'Keefe t Barbara Ybaben Doris O'Keefe Charles & Carol Meckler Dolores Bononi t Ronald Bononi Dolores Guido t Aura Bradford t Donald M. Watt Joyce E. Watt Kathleen Hughes Ed Hughes t Elizabeth J. Escobedo Rosemary Nuss Francis Van der Linden t Mary Ann Van der Linden Francisco Alvarez Martha Alkvarez Gail Colliard Marita Caruso Glenda Favilla Card Group Haydee Koppenheffer t Gerald Koppenheffer Joan Osterhout t Rosemary Nuss Jean Barbazette t Janis Isenberger Jeannie Anderson t Anne Hsiung t Jeannie Anderson Jack & Virginia Fitzsimons t Melissa A Denvir Jeannie Anderson t Jeannie Anderson PLS Board of Directors & Staff Linda Barisoff t Adam & Yuanna Barisoff PLS Boad of Directors & Staff Linda Coyne t Meg Zoerlein t Charles & Carol Meckler t Meg Zoerlein David & Linda Milligan Meg Zoerlein t Jack & Virginia Fitzsimons Meg Zoerlein t Robert & Santa Campuzano Meg Zoerlein t Stephen & Patricia Zoerlein Murray G. Isbell t Robert & Santa Campuzano Ned Heath t Robert & Santa Campuzano t Woman's Club of Cypress Page Betar t Robert Ernst Eileen Ernst Teresa Dewey Michael & Ann Weiman Teresa Dewey t Ronald Aimone Teresa Dewey t Patricia Essington t Teresa Dewey Jim & Theresa Murphy Teresa Dewey t Jack & Virginia Fitzsimons PLS Board of Directors & Staff Teresa Dewey

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### In Honor

### **Intentions For....**

Bill & Mary Jo Bolton ♥ Patr

Karen L. Hole

Steve & Nancy Stock

### Requests were made by...

- Patrick & Myrtle Gunning
- Mary Ellen Baker
- Melissa Stock

# $\frac{BIRTH/BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY}{\sim CELEBRATIONS \sim}$

Birthday ~ Mary Jo Bolton

Baselious & Beatrice Pius

Birthday ~ Tina Shaw

Rose Marie Angiuli Savina Crosetti

Birthday ~ Savina Crosetti Rose Marie Angiuli

90th Birthday ~ Kathy Wachter Robert & Pat Windrim

6th Anniversary ~ Leroy & Pam Hromadka-Ernest Cornelia Adkins



### **PLEASE NOTE:**



Beginning July 1, 2021
Designer Purses, Better Jewelry
and Collectibles are no longer
honored as Punch Card items.



In Loving
Memory

Deacon Don Gath
Past Board of Director

PLS Board of Directors & Staff Theresa Sherrin Theresa & Jim Murphy Jack & Virginia Fitzsimons



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## OR CURRENT RESIDENT

Residents, Volunteers. Staff and Board Members Join us to celebrate Volunteers and visit with

Long Beach. CA 90815

2400 Studebaker Rd.

RSVP required!

El Dorado Golf Club

Watch for your invitation...



calendar.. Mark your

Saturday - 10am to 12pm October 23, 2021 Volunteer Recognition Brunch

See Application inside

Shot Gun Start ~ 12:30

Long Beach. CA 90815 2400 Studebaker Rd.

El Dorado Golf Club September 22, 2021

Annual Golf Tournament "Tee Off For The Heart ♥" IbunnA Atel

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