



Birthright of Charleston

April 2025 Newsletter

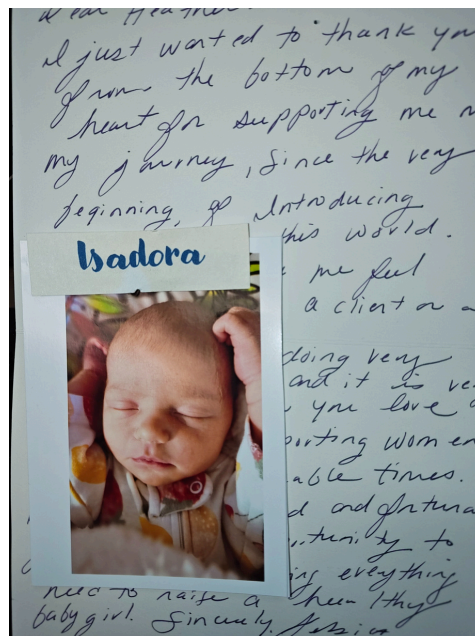
“It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth, and the right of every child to be born.”

Letter From A Client

Dear Birthright,

I just wanted to thank you from the bottom of my heart for supporting me on my journey since the very beginning of introducing Isadora into this world. You always made me feel like more than a client or a number. You are doing very important work and it is very clear how much you love the role of supporting women during their vulnerable times. I feel very blessed and fortunate of having the opportunity to get to know your volunteers and having everything I need to raise a healthy baby girl.

Sincerely, Jessica



Feedback like this from our clients is what motivates our volunteers to come in week after week to serve mothers and babies in need. We are grateful to help women like Jessica feel empowered to support her daughter, Isadora.

Carolina Catholic Professionals



The Carolina Catholic Professionals group invited Birthright of Charleston to give a presentation at their January 3rd luncheon. Executive Director, Heather Diamond shared Birthright's story and information regarding our clients and services.

Volunteer Spotlight: Diane Dufour Brumley



Diane has been helping keep our supplies organized and our offices tidy for the last 5 years. She also helps with special projects and connections with other organizations to help Birthright gain support. We asked Diane why she continues to serve with us and she said:

“After retiring from a long career in pediatric healthcare (just prior to the pandemic), I was searching for volunteer opportunities in the community. At that time in 2020 most places would not allow volunteers with all the COVID-19 restrictions.

I was fortunate to attend a meeting at Stella Maris Church around that time. The speaker was Heather Diamond who was the new director of Birthright. I was very impressed with her enthusiasm and support offered to mothers and babies. At that time, she mentioned the need for volunteers. Shortly after the meeting, I signed up.

I have continued to volunteer with a group now a little over four years. I enjoy helping to support the mission to help new moms in the care of their babies. One question that the team often asks when there's uncertainty involved with the new mom is "I would keep my baby if _____." The Birthright team then tries to help find the resources needed to accomplish this for the family. This is what it's all about."

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for compassionate people to come work with our clients in office. No experience is necessary and we provide training. A commitment of just 2 to 3 hours weekly is all that is requested of our volunteers and schedules are flexible. Please call Heather at (843) 556 - 4403 or email birthrightofcharleston@gmail.com to request a volunteer registration form today!

Birthright of Charleston does not exist without the generosity of our donors!

Meet Our Board of Directors



Pictured from left to right: Richard Garcia, *Board Chairman*, Kat McKee, *Treasurer*, Dr. Mary Lenda, Heather Diamond, *Executive Director*, Peggy Wojcik, *Secretary*, Carrie Mummert, Mary Svendsen, Paul Stanley

Kuznik Charitable Foundation Grant



Birthright of Charleston has been awarded a \$20,000 grant from the Kuznik Charitable Foundation through Pinnacle Bank! This generous funding will ensure that we keep up with the needs of our growing client base while allowing us to expand and enrich the services we provide. Pictured above is our board chairman, Richard Garcia, executive director, Heather Diamond and volunteer, Joanne Gottschall excited to receive this grant! Thank you, Kuznik Charitable Foundation and Pinnacle.

Thank you, Donors! January - March 2025

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Memorials

Birthright of Charleston received generous donations in memory of **Elizabeth Enearl** from VFW Auxiliary Post #445 and **Joe Napoli** from Mary Ferri.

Making a Financial Donation is Easy!

We make it easy for your to donate using the following convenient methods:



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Credit card payments accepted on our website: www.birthrightofcharleston.org



Mail a check to: Birthright of Charleston, PO Box 30191, Charleston, SC 29417

Most Needed Items

1	Wipes! Wipes! Wipes! - we run out of wipes frequently
2	Maternity Clothes - sizes XL, XXL, & 3XL - shirts, pants, dresses
3	Infant Clothes - sizes NEWBORN & 0-3 months - onesies, pants, sleepers
4	Diaper bags - any size or style
5	Infant hygiene items - shampoo, body wash, lotion, diaper cream, grooming items

Pray with us for women to choose life for their unborn children

Lord Jesus, you came to bring us the fullness of joy and to free us from all the pale imitations of happiness. Remove any barriers we have put up to keep you out of our lives. Teach us to welcome your presence wherever we find it, even in the difficulties and challenges of daily life.

As we reach out in love to others, may we come to know in our hearts that we are welcoming you, our Lord and Savior.

Bless our Birthright mission, making it more effective and bless all of its personnel who work to make this life-giving ministry prosper. And Lord, bless the unborn and all children with the loving care of conscientious parents. Protect them from all that would steal their childhood from them and guide them to seek and find you, the source of everlasting joy! — **Amen**

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