



BIRTHRIGHT
of Onondaga County
RESOURCE CENTER
for Pregnant Women
and Mothers in Need

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*Thank you... On behalf of many
pregnant women, new mothers
in need and the unborn!*

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CNY Resource Center for Pregnant Women and New Moms

We walk with moms
in need everyday ...
serving all pregnant women
and new mothers in CNY.

**You can
help too.
JOIN US!**

Make a
difference and
help create a
"Culture of Life"
Be Pro Life
and Pro Active

Send your donations to:

Birthright @ 346 N. Midler Avenue, Syracuse, N.Y. , 13206
Visit us at Birthrightsyr.org or visit Facebook or Instagram



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and 2025 DONORS
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RESPECT LIFE:**

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*And all those who fill our emergency needs-
You know who you are; we are always grateful.*

**PLEASE CONSIDER REMEMBERING
BIRTHRIGHT IN YOUR WILL or**



*Make a special
memorial gift
in the name of
your loved ones -
What a precious
way to respect life.*

**CELEBRATE MOTHERS AND FATHERS DAY
THIS YEAR BY GATHERING BABY SUPPLIES
TO SUPPORT NEEDY MOTHERS, BABIES
AND FAMILIES IN ONONDAGA COUNTY.**

See our current WISH LIST below.

We care for mothers and babies!

Birthright

**A Resource Center for
Pregnant Women and
New Mothers in Need**

2025 SPRING WISH LIST

- Baby Bottles and Pacifiers
- Plush Blankets
- Baby Wash and Towels
- Receiving Blankets
- Diapers: Newborn and #4 to #6 and Wipes
- Baby Cereal and Baby Food
- Sleepers: Newborn/0-3, 3-6 and 9-24 mos.
- Onesies: Newborn/0-3, 3/6 and 12 to 24 mos.
- Newborn to 6 months sweaters,
- Hats/Booties, Hoodies
- Infant Toys
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste for Toddlers

**Walmart Gift Cards for Food/Formula
or Direct Donations**



BIRTHRIGHT IS:

A Resource Center to rescue and encourage women during and after pregnancy – a caring place without judgment or cost.

OUR MISSION is to offer support, necessities, options and information to local women so they can make positive and informed decisions for the best health and wellness for themselves and their families – for new beginnings with hope.

- ♥ Resources focused on relieving family stress and on mothers' and families' overall health and well-being.
- ♥ We give immediate support for pregnant women before birth by offering free pregnancy tests, personal care products, maternity clothing, outerwear and referrals for other necessities – medical, dental and mental health care, immediate and safe housing, meals and food and much more as well as complete layettes at birth and after.

PRAYER FOR MOTHERS

Dear Lord, we thank you and ask you to honor the gift of motherhood. We are forever grateful for the strength of my mother and all mothers and the unconditional love they give.

We pray that new mothers find rest in Your presence during difficulty and when they feel overwhelmed or afraid. Give them the courage to make decisions for life and according to Your will.

We ask that You bless all mothers with peace and joy that only comes from You. Help them to always remember their worth in Your eyes, and to know that no matter how hard life can be at times, you are still with them. Let Your grace continually fill their heart so that they can continue to offer love and faithfulness to all those around them.

We remember especially the mothers who are no longer with us but whose memories live on. Grant them peace and let Your perpetual light shine upon them. We thank You for all the lessons our mothers taught us throughout life. May I strive every day to become more like my mother - to live each moment in godliness, humility and joy as they did and walk in obedience to Your commands.

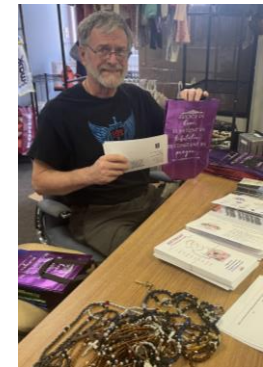
We also pray for all who nurture and care, whether as biological, adoptive, foster, spiritual mothers, caregivers and social workers. Recognize their dedication and bless them with Your love and protection.

May they all know the true value of their service in the hearts they shape and the lives they touch. Amen.

OUT AND ABOUT – GOOD NEWS:

Birthright is privileged to help volunteers in Oswego County establishing a new pregnancy resource center at the former St. Mary's School, named "Mary's Closet" to serve women in need in Fulton, Phoenix and Oswego. Congratulations to Fr. Scardella and that caring community for their courage and hard work.

On March 29, Birthright attended the Syracuse Catholic Men's Ignite Conference as an exhibitor with help from Frank Sylvester, Knights of Columbus #7928 and Michelle and Ed Kirk.



We also participated in the Onondaga County Health Department's "Wellness Expo" for Black Maternal Health Week on April 26 at the Southwest Community Center to offer our resources to mothers before, during and after pregnancy. We provided personal care bags for moms and mini gift bags for newborns.





In 2024, Birthright of Onondaga County served 758 children and provided 130 layettes to new mothers - thanks to our dedicated volunteers who served over 2400 hours and our generous donors.



BABY TALES

A few short stories about families we love serving:

A mother with two small children was sheltered in a motel in Syracuse. She needed warm clothes for her kids; we provided coats, hats, clothing and special fleece blankets, made by our volunteer, Marty S. This mother was truly grateful and volunteers were happy to assist.

A teen mom was referred to Birthright by a caseworker from St. Joseph's Hospital. Her baby was a two-month-old preemie, just released from the NICU. We provided a layette with preemie clothes, diaper bag and referral for a car seat.

A father just received custody of his three children because the mother was in rehab. He needed "everything." The caseworker came the same day to pick up multiple bags for these needy kids.

A pregnant mom was frantic...she was having twins and was due at the end of the week. She was in desperate need of two layettes...No problem. The case worker picked up two gift bags the next day.

A bad fire in Syracuse one night left this family without clothing and blankets for their toddlers. The next day we provided diapers, blankets, coats and clothing to this needy family as well as referral to Sleep in Heavenly Peace for beds for children.

A caseworker from a local hospital called for help for a new mother. We provided a complete layette and contacted a local organization to provide a new pack and play - everything at no cost to this new mom.



OUR PERSONAL CARE CORNER

We offer pregnant women and moms much needed personal care bags with shampoo, body wash, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes and other personal care items.

We also have toothbrushes, toothpaste and baby wash for toddlers.

All goods on our shelves are donated by volunteers and caring friends.

Thank you all!



CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS



We always need sweaters, hats and booties for newborns. A matched set goes in every layette along with 30+ other necessities for newborn "starter" gifts bags. Also, we are requesting special white blankets for infant baptisms.

Time to get busy.....Let us know if you can donate for all our special newborns.

Thank you for your labors of love!

