

Birthright of Pittsburgh, Inc.

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

– Louise Summerhill, founder, Birthright International (1968)

Taking first steps in planning



Birthright committee meets to plan fall luncheon and art show fundraiser. From left, Debbie Natali, Paul Hoffmann, Stephanie Lang, Mark Likoudis, and Lauren Lipinski.



BIRTHRIGHT WELCOMES NEW VOLUNTEERS!

I'm Katey Devine. I am from New Berlin, Wisconsin, and recently completed my freshman year at the University of Pittsburgh in April. I study political science and Arabic and am enrolled in the Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps program (ROTC).

When I initially learned about Birthright of Pittsburgh one Sunday at Mass at St. Paul Cathedral, I was immediately interested in finding out how I could help them. This is the first pro-life organization that I have served as a volunteer, but protecting the life of the unborn is a belief I have always felt strongly about. While being taught the value of selfless service as a student in the ROTC program, I find it very important to take time out of my week to give back, especially at a pregnancy support center, such as Birthright, because the mission and values are so positive.



Hello, I am Debbie Natali. I have been married to my husband, Tom, for 21 years. We have four children, Joseph (21), Jessie Marie (18), Johnny (15), and Jason (11). I graduated from Bethany College in 1991 with a B.A. in psychology, and worked as a counselor in the fields of drug addiction, pediatric mental health, and domestic violence. For the past 21 years I have been a stay-at-home wife and homeschooling mother.

Besides caring for my husband and children, I volunteered for The Pregnancy Resource Center (Curo), Genesis House and Rachel's Vineyard. I am excited to share in Birthright's mission of offering compassionate and life-affirming services to mothers and their children through our much needed services. Birthright is a blessing and I am honored to be a part of the organization.

FRANCISCAN ASSOCIATES GIVE BIRTHRIGHT BABY GIFTS



Franciscan associates present gifts to Paula Smith, executive director of Birthright, (L), for Birthright babies at luncheon. Millvale Franciscan Sr. Marie Grace Blum, (center), and LaVerne Winkowski, Franciscan associate director.



Mary Robson, volunteer, (2nd from L), with Pennsylvania volunteers at Birthright's 50th Anniversary Convention in June in Toronto, Canada. Mary has been helping Birthright moms and babies for 15 years.



A recent phone message from a Birthright client:
"How are you doing Miss Mary? This is Janine (named changed for confidentiality). The outfits you gave our daughter fit. The blanket is beautiful. We love quilted things. Thank you all so kindly for all the things you gave our son, too. Everything is beautiful. He's actually wearing the clothing now. I'll let you know how we're doing. Thanks so much for checking on us and calling yesterday.
We're grateful for you all and grateful for Birthright. Take care now."

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Birthright needs: wet wipes, shampoo, baby bottles, bibs, burp pads, sleepers & onesies.