

2024 annual report

Fiscal year October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024

Hope Rising is all about...

speaking the *truth* in love to those considering abortion...

helping them to see the **value of the life** they carry before the decision is made.

"But this I say, He that soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he that soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Let each man do according as he hath purposed in his heart: not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." **2 Corinthians 9:6-7** 

I believe God loves a cheerful giver because He is so generous. When we give, we reflect His character. I also believe it is important to have discernment when we give, which is why Hope Rising provides this annual report that shares details about the services provided and the resources given during the last fiscal year.

Hope Rising is committed to reaching those who are at risk for abortion, to sharing the love of Christ, and to faithful stewardship of the resources the Lord generously provides for His ministry. We are seeing God work in amazing ways.

I have worked in pro-life ministry for many years and I have never seen anything like the year we just completed. 107 people committed their lives to Christ at a Hope Rising Pregnancy Center during our last fiscal year (October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024).

107 souls found eternal security. 107 people found the HOPE that is only available through a relationship with Jesus Christ.

The seeds you have sown - through financial donations, volunteering, giving material supplies, prayers, and more - have multiplied and we are seeing a great harvest.

May the Lord be glorified for the great things He has done. And may you be blessed to know you have made an eternal difference in so many lives.

In Christ's Service, Sheri Lawson Executive Director

### **Our Mission:**

Hope Rising is a Pregnancy Resource Center that provides life-affirming information and compassionate services related to pregnancy decisions. We value life, support families, and demonstrate Christ's love.

### **Our Vision:**

We envision that every person in the greater Miami Valley will experience Gospel transformation that empowers them to choose life for their unborn children and God's design for sexual purity.





A client came to us overwhelmed and angry that her birth control plan had failed. Even though she was a married, Christian woman she was considering abortion because she had no health insurance, no family support, limited financial resources, and what felt like no hope.

No hope until she came to Hope Rising, where she found support from other believers and the strength to choose life for her child.

In her words:

### Each day, each appointment, it felt different. I felt stronger.

This client received the support she needed to make a life-affirming choice. After having her baby she said, "Thank you for making our dreams come true, and thank you for making sure that my son is here."







Hope Rising Pregnancy Center offers **compassion** and **nonjudgmental support** to those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Our no cost services and programs are offered in each of our four locations throughout the greater Miami Valley – Kettering, Xenia, Huber Heights, and North Dayton.



4,501

NUMBER OF CLIENT APPOINTMENTS



OF OUR CLIENTS CHOSE LIFE FOR THEIR UNBORN CHILDREN



## re.think

We want to help our young people to see sex as more than just a moment of passion and to rethink their attitudes and mindsets about sex. The **re.think** department has carefully developed programs for both teens and the influential adults in their lives. Teens are reached through classroom instruction and youth group presentations while adults are reached through workshops and provided with the tools to guide teens to make healthy, high-integrity sexual choices.

### **RE.THINKING...**

- the notion that if we don't talk about it, they won't know about it or do it
- the messages the culture sends: that sex is a casual moment of passion
- the messages you give about sex to pre-teens and teens under your care by remaining silent
- the mindsets and attitudes already in play in the minds of youth
- the role you play in educating the next generation on matters related to sex
- the danger of not giving teens the tools to make healthy, high-integrity choices

re, think more than a moment

If you are interested in scheduling a re.think presentation for your church or school, contact rethink@hoperising.org

139 ABSTINENCE EDUCATION

PRESENTATIONS

TOTAL NUMBER OF SCHOOLS SERVED

17

2,568

TOTAL NUMBER OF MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO HEARD THE WORTH WAITING FOR MESSAGE

statistics from the 2023 -2024 school year



STI (sexually transmitted infection) testing and treatment is offered, in conjunction with pregnancy care, at the Xenia and North Dayton Hope Rising center locations. Testing for Chlamydia and Gonnorrhea is offered to all clients at these locations with their pregnancy testing.









Our free limited ultrasounds performed by our in-house medical professionals are an important step in helping determine how far along our clients are in their pregnancy, determining viability, and helping clients connect to their unborn child.





POSITIVE PREGNANCY TESTS



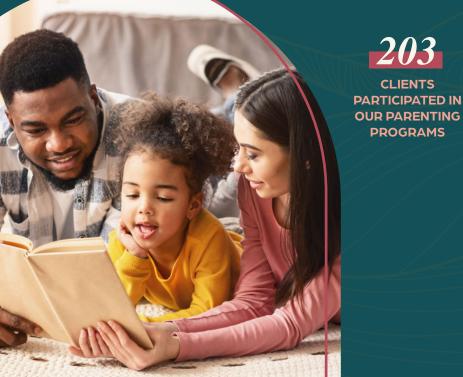


## parenting programs

We offer Parenting Classes to help men and women equip themselves with the knowledge and skills needed to thrive as parents. The Parenting Classes include a weekly meeting with a caring mentor, insightful educational material, and an opportunity to acquire new and gently-used baby care items, donated by our supporters.

> "When I started my course I was a nervous" father, constantly doubting my ability. Over the 5 weeks I gained confidence in my ability. I feel prepared to be the father my son needs. I also feel closer to God and believe He brought me here to remind me of His love, power, and purpose. I would encourage everyone I know to come to Hope Rising." – Jonathan

> > CLIENTS

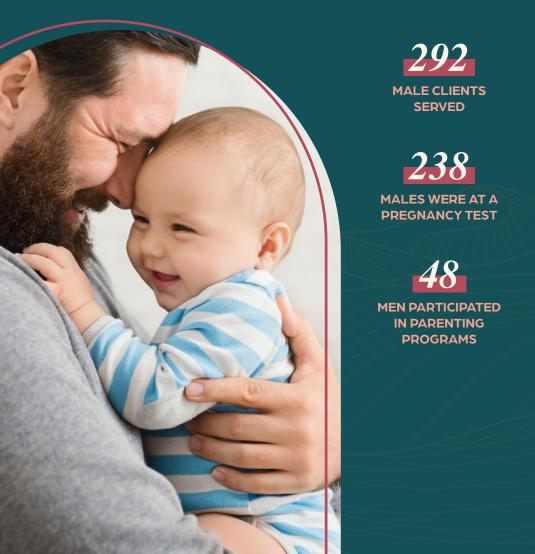








Our goal is to welcome and get to know men who visit our centers. We discuss their role and responsibility in a pregnancy, giving them solid facts on pregnancy options and consequences with a prayerful hope they will pursue a decision for life. We seek to bring stability and peace into a potentially stressful time in a man's life by inviting him to participate in a parenting program that gives him the tools and confidence he needs to be a great dad!







We are dedicated to supporting our clients in their parenting journey, long after a decision for life. We provide emergency diapers, formula, and baby food, and provide gently-used clothing up to size 5T and/ or maternity clothes to our clients at no cost. Our staff and volunteers work hard to make sure that the clothing we offer is clean and in good condition. All the items we provide to our clients are given to us through donations.

> "What a blessing! Your programs and GREAT people have made such a difference in our family. My husband and I have often wondered how we would make it without you all. You have been an immense blessing." – Miranda



54,983

DIAPERS GIVEN AWAY



OUTFITS GIVEN AWAY



NUMBER OF CLIENTS WHO RECEIVED CLOTHING OR OTHER MATERIAL RESOURCES

# spiritual support services

Our Spiritual Support program includes one–on–one evangelism and discipleship. Bible–based studies are offered for clients seeking answers to questions about God and for Christian clients who want to strengthen their faith. Our greatest desire is for clients to come to salvation in Jesus Christ, gain knowledge and understanding of God's word, and connect to a local church body where they can continue to grow, experience life transformation, and produce much fruit.

I found that Hope Rising was very helpful. It has helped me grow a lot as a human and parent. I learned a lot that I did not know and probably would never know had I not taken the classes. It has helped me form a better relationship with God having been a former non-believer. I have learned that through God anything is possible. I feel very prepared for when my children come home. Overall, I loved my experience with Hope Rising. – Kyle



#### SPIRITUAL DISCUSSIONS

**972** 

PRESENTATIONS

**107** CLIENTS COMMITTED THEIR LIVES TO CHRIST

### *abortion recovery ministry*

This important ministry offers abortion healing for women or men who are experiencing pain from a past abortion through one-on-one and group support. We offer clients a listening ear and the opportunity to find healing from the hurt of abortion in a confidential and compassionate environment. The Abortion Recovery Ministry is not only for people who personally struggle with a past abortion, but includes those that have also been affected by the abortion, such as the father of the baby or a grandparent.





### *community outreach*

Hope Rising is committed to reaching those in our community who are considering abortion. In order to ensure that Hope Rising is well known in the community in the past fiscal year we have:

- Purchased 11 billboards in high-risk areas of Dayton
- Participated in 11 events in the community in which we distributed over 1,000 promotional items
- Held 4 community awareness events (1 at each center)
- Purchased 3 sandwich boards for the Kettering, Xenia, and North Dayton centers
- Purchased 1 mural and 2 banners at Fairfield Commons Mall
- Joined "Hope for" community groups in Miamisburg, East Dayton, Huber Heights, West Carrolton, Centerville, and Kettering.









You can make a difference! Hope Rising is compassion-focused and offers nonjudgmental support to women and men facing difficult pregnancy decisions. If God is leading you to serve in this area, connect with us today.

#### Volunteers are needed in the following capacities:

- Administrative support
- Baking team
- Church Liaison
- Cleaning
- Client Advocate
- Group project coordinator for baby shower, diaper drive, or baby bottle campaign
- Handyman/maintenance
- Mailing team
- Medical services
- Photographer
- Prayer support team
- Resource volunteer
- Student outreach





MONTHLY PRAYER WARRIORS CLIENT ADVOCATE VOLUNTEERS



**Serve** one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

- Galatians 5:13-14



#### You can make a difference too! If this mission tugs at your heart, volunteer with us and embrace our clients with the love of Christ. Scan here to get involved or visit supporthoperising.org.



TOTAL VOLUNTEER HOURS

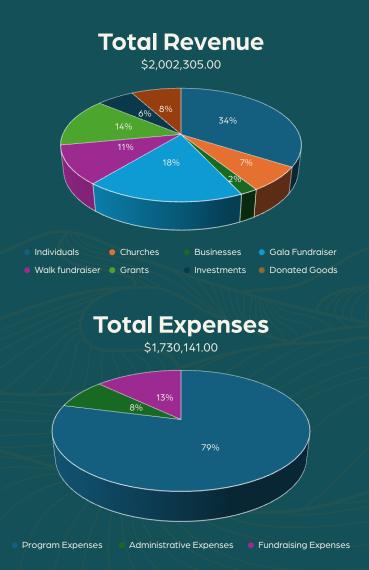


TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVED AT HOPE RISING



### financial stewardship

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## *compassion* and *freedom* are found *here*

### Four convenient locations

Kettering/Administrative Office 2345 W. Stroop Rd. Dayton, OH 45439 (937) 298-9998

Huber Heights 7079-A Taylorsville Rd. Huber Heights, OH 45424 (937) 236-2273 North Dayton 4247 Philadelphia Dr. Dayton, OH 45405 (937) 262–7420

Xenia/re.think Office 245 S. Allison Ave. Xenia, OH 45385 (937) 374-0023

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