

Volunteers Make It Happen!

Precious Life Shelter is always in great need of volunteers. Come join our family.♥

Health & Education

- ♥ Mentor
- ♥ Birth Coach
- ♥ Instructors/Professionals
(Parenting, Labor/Delivery, LifeSkills, Career Development, Anger Mgt/Coping Skills)
- ♥ Tutors
(Reading, Math, English)

Childcare

- ♥ Rock-a-baby
- ♥ Volunteer Aide
Call (562) 431-3365
- ♥ TB Test required to volunteer

Miscellaneous

- ♥ Office Volunteers
- ♥ Publicity/Public Relations
- ♥ Baby Clothes Sorting Assistant
- ♥ Fund Raising
\$ An Affair of the Heart♥ Dinner Dance
\$ Golf Tournament
\$A Taste of Precious Life BBQ/Wine Tasting

Thrift Shop

- ♥ Assist at Super Saturday Blowout Sale
(2nd Saturday of each month) 8am to 3pm
- ♥ Staff Store
- ♥ Sorters

Maintenance

- ♥ Electrician
- ♥ Plumber
- ♥ Carpenter
- ♥ Yard work
- ♥ Light Housecleaning & Maintenance



This program is made available through a partnership with the Children and Families Commission of Orange County.



We're Glad



You Were Born!



THRIFT & GIFT SHOP

Located at 3622 Florista St.
corner of Reagan and Florista.
(562)430-7309

Income from the sale of donated items from the community generates approximately 35% of the operating budget for the three-phase residential program, allowing over 100 women a year to find a safe haven until their child is born.

Quality items and household goods to be used by our residents or sold in our Thrift & Gift Shop are always welcome. Donations are accepted during store hours. We are constantly in need of volunteers to staff the store and work the blow-out sale. Contact the shelter to share your talents or visit the store to sign up for a shopping spree. Make sure you stop by the Thrift Shop front counter and ask for a "Frequent Buyer Shopper Punch Card" on your next visit.

Thrift & Gift Shop Hours:

- Mon-Friday 10am-4pm
- Saturday 10am-3pm

Super Saturday Blowout: Special sale items

- 2nd Saturday of every month
8am-3pm

Dollar Day Sale

- Last Thursday of every month
10am-4pm

For additional specialty items please visit
Precious life ~ eBayPreciouscollectibles347

*Shop to your heart's content
at prices you can afford*



*Precious
Life
Shelter*



*"Provides
residential and
supportive services
for homeless
pregnant adult
women..."*



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Precious Life is committed to creating family values in a loving, caring environment. The shelter's supportive services are designed to help residents become more independent and self-reliant through education while enhancing their self-worth. Services include: emergency and transitional housing, food, safe living environment, counseling, education, and life skills training. We pledge to help our residents realize their babies are "precious."

Precious Life Shelter offers assistance to homeless, pregnant adult women, regardless of race, color, creed, marital or financial status. We strive to maintain a high standard of quality supportive services while focusing on our women and their babies. We are committed to assisting residents to become well prepared and motivated for themselves and their babies.

WHAT IS PRECIOUS LIFE SHELTER?

Precious Life Shelter is an emergency, transitional and single parent efficiency program providing a safe environment for the pregnant woman with no place to live. The woman may be facing an immediate financial, physical or emotional emergency which threatens her with loss of housing, food and/or necessities for daily living. The woman has decided to have her child, and she needs a place to stay. Our program will help her realize that both her life and that of her baby are precious. We are located in Los Alamitos, convenient to hospitals, doctors, churches, shopping centers, bus lines and the 405 and 605 Freeways.

Precious Life Shelter, Inc. is a private, non-profit, non-denominational 501(c)3 California Corporation with a local volunteer Board of Directors and over 200 volunteers in staffing and services.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Precious Life Shelter is open to homeless, pregnant women regardless of race, creed, financial or marital status.

Requirements:

- ♥ 18 years of age or older
- ♥ Verified proof of pregnancy w/due date
- ♥ Valid form of I.D.
- ♥ Original Birth Certificate desired

WHAT IS PROVIDED?

Emergency Program provides housing, food and immediate necessities for a limited time, on a first-come, first-serve basis, while the resident completes specific requirements and seeks a permanent residence. Her stay can be from 1 to 30 days. If requirements are met and space is available, residents may apply for our Transitional Program.

Transitional Program provides a continued structured environment with a modest program fee, plus a one-time deposit. She buys her food, prepares her own meals, and shares in the responsibilities of house upkeep, while learning independent living skills and continuing her employment. She shares a room with another woman, finds companionship with other residents, and shares her joys and frustrations. Stays can be up to 2 months after the birth of her child.

Single Parent Efficiency Program allows the woman (and infant) who has completed the first two phases of PLS, is working full-time, or in a job training / school training program to apply for staying until her child is 24 months. She is responsible for a modest program fee, food and some utilities, enabling her to work toward self-reliance, while still having a structured support system. She will continue with case management, monthly budget reviews and parenting programs.

SERVICES OFFERED:

A variety of programs and support services have been developed to benefit our women and their babies:

Health Classes offered: Volunteer health care professionals teach baby care, breastfeeding, Lamaze, labor and delivery, parenting, dental-care, sexually transmitted diseases, etc.

Education Program includes classes on nutrition, adoption, self-esteem, counseling, finances, budgeting, job skills, anger management, etc.

Mentor Program for Transitional and Single Parent residents: Each resident meets, one on one, with a Mentor who helps the resident work through her situation to meet her goals and objectives of the program. They develop a supportive system outside of PLS.

Parenting Program: Weekly classes for residents with new babies, toddlers, and those working toward family reunification.

12 STEP Programs: CODA, AA, NA meetings (provided off-site); provide a safe and supportive atmosphere in which women can express their feelings without fear, embarrassment or disapproval and get needed support.

Alcohol, Drug & Smoking Cessation Program (The shelter is not a drug or alcohol rehabilitation facility) We are a drug and alcohol free program.

Case Management (required weekly)

Off-site Counseling (when needed)

Licensed Childcare available for working mothers, as space is available.

Your Support Makes A Difference

- ♥ Major sources of income are from corporations, foundations, and private donors, usually in the form of monthly pledges, and daily sales from the Thrift & Gift Shop. Monthly pledge can be made by credit card.
- ♥ Corporate Matching Gifts are greatly appreciated.
- ♥ Contributions are welcomed In Honor of or In Memory of friends and loved ones. Acknowledgment cards are sent per donor's request.
- ♥ Capital donation investments are always designated for future development of program and resident necessities.

SPECIAL MESSAGE

- ♥ Per a donor's request, permanent In Honor and In Memory donor plaques for contributions over \$500.00 are engraved and located throughout building. Every contribution is greatly appreciated by the many women and babies we serve.

(Please Print)

Name _____

Address _____

City, St, Zip _____

Donations can be made by MasterCard, Visa or Checks payable to:

Precious Life Shelter, Inc.

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All Contributions Are Tax Deductible
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