



MARY'S REFUGE



Through the kindness of generous donors, the mothers and children at Mary's Refuge received gifts, turning our home into a place of joy during Christmas. It's a true blessing for these mothers to have a home with a church family, especially during times when they might not have any other place to go.

These celebrations are more than just events; they are moments of creating a home filled with love, support, and the warmth of community. The generosity of St. Bernadette, the creativity of St. Joseph School's preschoolers, and the kindness of donors have woven a tapestry of love around Mary's Refuge.

As we reflect on these moments, our hearts are filled with gratitude for the support that surrounds us. Mary's Refuge is not just a safe haven; it's a home where everyone is family. Thank you to all who contribute to making Mary's Refuge a place of hope, love, and joy.

WARM REGARDS *Allison Ferrell*



From the Desk of the Executive Director:

Gratitude and Joy: Celebrating Thanksgiving and Christmas at Mary's Refuge.

During the fall season, we celebrated autumn's warmth by decorating pumpkins. A heartfelt Thanksgiving feast, generously provided by the wonderful ladies at St. Bernadette, filled our home with joy and the spirit of togetherness.

As the festive season unfolded, we adorned Mary's Refuge with handmade ornaments and stockings, creating a sense of love and belonging. The preschoolers from St. Joseph School added their magical touch by crafting ornaments for one of our Christmas trees in the family room.

MYLEE & TIFFANY

Mylee and Tiffany have completed certifications for Life Coach...and will start taking classes in January for a Degree.

This opportunity to further my education gives me new hope for a brighter future. It is vital in building a better life for my daughters and me."

MYLEE



"I have a passion for helping people, and with this training, I can make a difference in someone's life the way Mary's Refuge did for me."

TIFFANY



HELLO

BABY

We had four babies born in October, November, and December.

Welcome to Elowyn, Giovanni, Roland Jr., and Shiloh!

COMING IN

2024

MAY
5

MOTHER'S DAY DINNER

Spice up Mother's Day with Love, Tacos, and Tiny Tootsies! Join our Cinco de Mayo Fiesta

4-6 PM

Knight of Columbus Hall
108 W. Stephens St.
Martinsburg, WV

JULY
29

MEN'S COOKOUT

We warmly welcome men of all trades with a heart for making a difference. BBQ, baby bumps, and building community

4-6 PM

Backyard of Mary's Refuge

RSVP AT LIFE@MARYSREFUGE.COM

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SAVE

THE DATE

NOVEMBER 7, 2024

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CURRENT

NEEDS

SUPPORTING NEIGHBORS AND LIFE.

Our work is only possible because of private donors like you who go the extra mile. Currently, our maternity home has a small list of needs that will make a huge impact.

✔ PJ sets for Women sizes, XS, S, M, L, XL

[SEE OUR WISHLIST HERE](#)



WHERE EXPECTANT MOTHERS
NEED HELP

LEARN MORE AT [MARYSREFUGE.COM/HOW-TO-HELP](https://marysrefuge.com/how-to-help)



Volunteer Spotlight

We want to shine a spotlight on Jess; she is a dedicated mentor in our community through the Young Lives program. Jess goes above and beyond, offering her time and heart to support a young mother living at Mary's refuge. She gives valuable advice and often helps with childcare and transportation. We are incredibly grateful for the positive influence she brings to this young mother.

MEET THE NEED VOLUNTEER

WE'RE ALWAYS IN NEED OF A
FEW EXTRA HANDS

- ✓ Stable Housing
- ✓ Educational Resources
- ✓ Prenatal Care
- ✓ Parenting Classes

JOIN THE CRADLE CLUB



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THE IMPACT

HOW YOUR CONTRIBUTION HELPS

Your contribution to the Cradle Club will help us make a lasting impact on the lives of expectant mothers. This foundational fund will be used to directly support our Mothers by covering:

- ✓ Building Maintenance
- ✓ Food & Clothing Necessities
- ✓ Maternity Home Utilities
- ✓ Transportation
- ✓ Stable Staffing

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