



MARY'S REFUGE



She's been working one-on-one with each mother to help set and reach personal goals, including budgeting and career planning. Read her bio below. We're grateful for the skills and heart she brings to our home.

FROM THE RESIDENTS

This season, our residents rolled up their sleeves for a deep spring clean—walls, fans, and floors all got a shine. They took pride in making their home beautiful and learned the value of cleanliness and care.

We're also proud to celebrate one of our moms who graduated with her certificate in Medical Billing and Coding. She's now preparing for an externship to build her skills and take the next step forward.

Our babies have reached sweet milestones—walking, rolling over, sitting up, and even counting to 10! Each day brings new growth and joy.

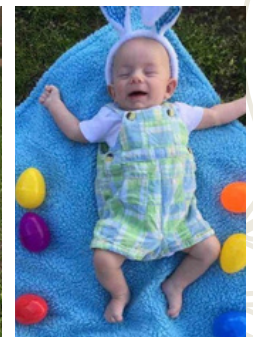
WARM REGARDS

Allison Ferrell

From the Desk of the Executive Director:

Spring was full of life at Mary's Refuge. We housed 9 mothers and 10 children. Easter brought joy and gratitude, with a backyard egg hunt that lit up the day. Mother's Day was especially lovely—we're grateful to Las Trancas for donating food and to the Adult Youth Group for serving and hosting Fiesta Bingo. Generous supporters donated raffle gifts, including a beautiful coffee and tea basket from Ms. Jean at St. Bernadette. The Ladies Auxiliary from St. Leo also blessed our moms with a heartfelt card and a gift card tree.

We also welcomed a new caseworker to Mary's Refuge. She's brought fresh energy and valuable guidance—leading group classes on barriers to employment, mock interviews, resume building, and time management.



Community SPOTLIGHT

Knights of Columbus

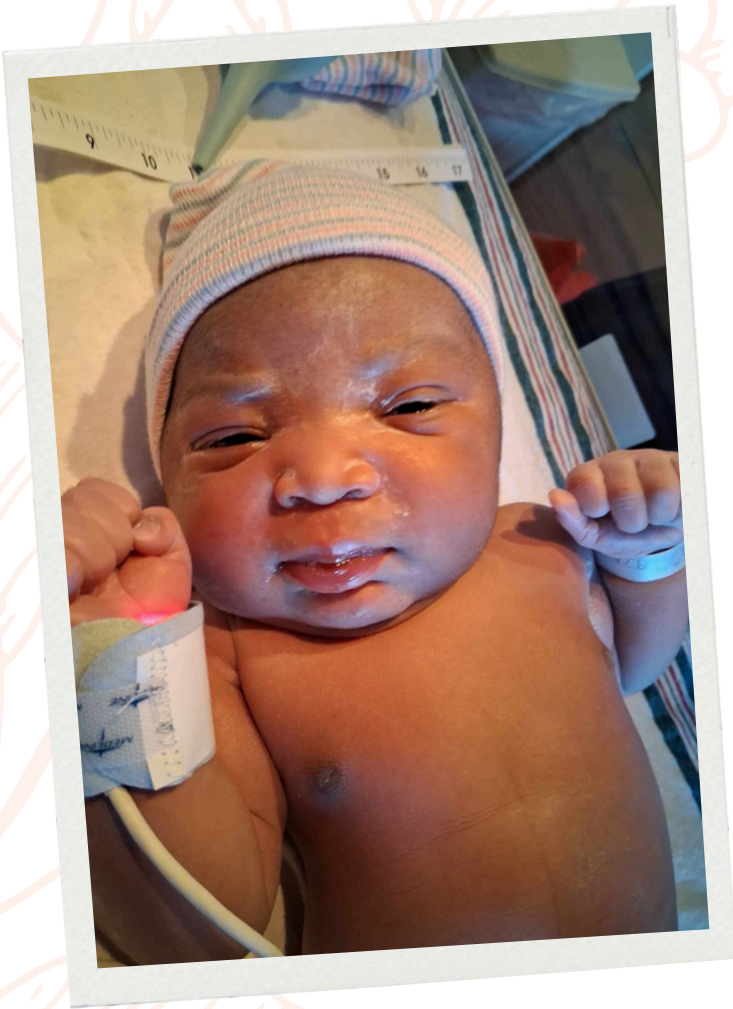
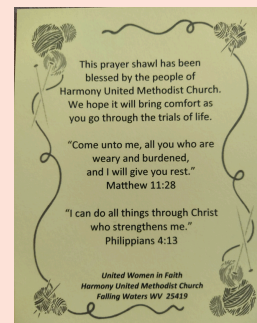
The Knights of Columbus at St. James the Greater in Charles Town held Lenten Fish Fries to support our mission. Every dollar raised—\$10,170 in total—was donated to benefit the mothers and children of Mary's Refuge.

We are deeply grateful for their generosity and support.



Harmony United Methodist Church

The United Women in Faith of Harmony United Methodist Church donated beautiful prayer shawls. We are very grateful for their kindness and support.



HELLO

BABY

BORN JUNE 4, 2025

We were blessed with a beautiful baby girl on June 4th! As we celebrate the miracle of life, we are reminded of the boundless love and hope that fills our home each and every day.

Welcome

MARY'S REFUGE CASEWORKER



Haleigh Ruppenthal

I am a mother of four boys ages 22, 19, 18, 16 and have been married to my husband Jesse for over 16 years. I come from a troubled background where I experienced first hand what those I serve go through or have gone through today. My husband and children have been my main support and what drives me to continue to better myself and helped grow me into the wife, mother, and provider I am today.

I am a dedicated and compassionate Case Worker with over 5 years of experience supporting individuals through comprehensive care coordination, employment barriers/employment, addiction recovery, mental health recovery work, ADL's (activities of daily living), health care navigation and resource navigation.

I have a strong background in healthcare, social work, mental health services, trauma informed care which specializes in assessing client needs, developing individualized service plans, advocating for effective support systems that promote long-term well-being, navigating resource systems, addiction treatment/recovery plans, Fire ground operations/ management, and disaster planning/ ground operation. I also am known for a client-centered approach, excellent communication skills, and a deep commitment to empowering underserved populations. I want to help make a difference within my community and it starts with being the voice to those who have been looked past or have lost their way.





MARY'S
REFUGE

Gala

SAVE THE DATE

NOVEMBER 6, 2025

Join us for an unforgettable evening of hope, healing, and purpose as we come together to support the life-transforming mission of Mary's Refuge.

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM

Hilton Garden | 65 Priority Drive, Martinsburg, WV 25403



KEYNOTE
SPEAKER

Lisa Kratz Thomas

An extraordinary speaker whose life story is a powerful testimony of redemption.



LINKS OF LOVE
Golf TOURNAMENT

Details for our
2026 Tournament
coming soon!

CURRENT

NEEDS

SUPPORTING NEIGHBORS AND LIFE.

- Large bed pillows
- Diapers size 1 and 7
- Swiffer WetJet

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

Abby Hayes is a senior in the Bachelor of Social Work program at West Virginia University. She is passionate about mental health and child welfare and is committed to supporting individuals and families through advocacy, compassion, and evidence-based practice. Outside of her academic work, Abby is a dedicated musician who plays tuba in WVU's marching and pep bands. She is also learning piano and recently had the



honor of performing in the 2024 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade with the WVU marching band.

While volunteering during her summer at Mary's Refuge, Abby is learning as much as possible about case management, organizing classes, and running group classes.

MEET THE NEED VOLUNTEER

If you would like to volunteer, please fill out our application on our website. Virtus and background check is required.

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

JOIN THE CRADLE CLUB



LEARN MORE AT [MARYSREFUGE.COM/CRADLE-CLUB](https://marysrefuge.com/cradle-club)

THE IMPACT

The Cradle Club is a special way to support moms and babies at Mary's Refuge by providing consistent monthly donations. **We're looking for 10 people to join each month and make a lasting impact!** Every contribution helps create a safe, nurturing space for mothers to build brighter futures.

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

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