### YOUR OPTIONS MEDICAL | SUMMER 2023

# WHAT'S NEW AT YOM

Serving women, saving lives

### **A PATIENT STORY**

When Drew informed her boyfriend that she was pregnant, he was adamant that he did not want her to have the baby. He made it perfectly clear that he expected Drew to have an abortion, but she refused.

Drew could not imagine getting an abortion and eagerly began searching online for help. She discovered Your Options Medical's website and made an appointment to confirm her pregnancy.

When she walked in for her first appointment, Drew felt safe. She was greeted by the staff who were welcoming and kind. During the appointment, she shared with her Advocate that though she was receiving pressure from the father of her baby to abort, Drew had told her parents about the baby and they were supportive of her decision to continue her pregnancy and parent.

Both Drew and her mother were able to see the baby during her ultrasound which helped affirm what she already knew: she was having a baby! This Spring, Alesandra was born – a beautiful, healthy, baby girl.



Many women who find out they are pregnant unexpectedly want to have their babies, but face many pressures to choose abortion. Because of your financial support, Your Options Medical can continue to provide vital medical services and support for women like Drew.



### **SEVEN WEEKS COFFEE**

We are thrilled to announce our newest partnership with Seven Weeks Coffee, a pro-life coffee company that donates 10% of every sale to pregnancy care centers across the country, now including ours!

Seven Weeks Coffee was founded less than a year ago, and to date, they have been able to donate thousands of dollars to pregnancy care centers across the country. Now, we are a part of their



partnership program, and you can support Your Options Medical by simply ordering a bag of coffee by using the QR Code to order.

With something as simple as drinking your daily cup of coffee, you now have the opportunity to support our efforts of serving women in need and protecting the life of their pre-born babies. When you purchase a bag of coffee through this link, 10% will be donated to our center! Use code "Seven" for 10% off your first purchase!



## YOUR OPTIONS MEDICAL PARTNERS WITH CAPE COD PRO LIFE ALLIANCE TO OPEN PREGNANCY CENTER ON CAPE COD

The Cape Cod Pro Life Alliance (CCPLA) is a new faith-based ministry with membership currently drawn from fourteen churches on Cape Cod and the Knights of Columbus.

In drafting their mission, the Alliance recognized both the intrinsic value of the life of the pre-born child and that of the baby's mother and father.

"Our belief in God and knowledge of modern science, taken together or alone, make it a moral imperative to protect babies while they are in their mothers' wombs and to support moms as they raise their child."

After surveying the services that are available on Cape Cod for women facing unplanned pregnancies, members of the Alliance found there is an unmet need for life-affirming counseling, accurate information, pregnancy support services, spiritual guidance, and an outpouring of love to empower women to choose life instead of abortion. The need for such services has become acute given the State of Massachusetts doubling down on its pro-abortion agenda.

After several months of conversations and more importantly prayer, CCPLA Alliance and Your Options Medical have chosen to partner together to establish a new life-affirming pregnancy resource center in the mid-Cape area. With a solid base of several churches already supporting Your Options Medical, our goal is to engage additional churches and individual donors to join us in ensuring long-term success.

Initially, we will provide free pregnancy testing and life-affirming options counseling through our mobile medical clinic. By launching the mobile clinic, we will be taking an innovative and strategic approach to reach women and couples in need, wherever they are. In an area as large and diverse as Cape Cod, the mobile clinic will enable us to go into different communities and help us determine the area of greatest need for a fixed location.

This endeavor will need strong support and a unified effort that will require time, talent and treasure. If you would like more information on how you can join the CCPLA on the local level, please contact Ellen D'Ovidio @ **508-292-4346** or Joe Meeks @ **612-430-4225**.

#### Staff and Volunteers Needed:

- Client Advocates
- Mobile Clinic drivers (no special license needed)
- Registered Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, RDMS
- Church Liaisons to help with fundraising and support

• Prayer Team

• Licensed physicians: Radiologist, OB/GYN

If you are interested in attending an Informational Training Session for potential Advocate and/or Nurse positions, please email **teresalarkin@awcprc.org**. Session will take place on either Saturday 7/22 or 7/29 from 9:30 to 2:00 PM. Location TBD.

### Future Home of the Bridge of Faith Youth Center



Your Options Medical is pleased to report that we will once again have an office in Southbridge. Through a partnership with the Bridge of Faith Youth Center, we will be providing life-affirming counseling and support to pregnant and parenting teens and young adults. While this center will look different from our previous center, we share the vision of the founders and board members of Bridge of Faith who recognized the need to offer a place for young people to hear a message that supports life and family values.

We are excited by this new opportunity than can possibly be replicated in other faith based community centers. Our mobile medical clinic is also ready to be redeployed to Southbridge if the need arises.



## PREGNANCY CARE ALLIANCE OF MASSACHUSETTS

Founded as a response to the negative publicity and damaging attacks against pregnancy centers like Your Options Medical after the Dobbs decision, the Pregnancy Care Alliance consists of independent nonprofit organizations who voluntarily join in order to benefit from shared resources and broad network support, with the ultimate purpose of offering the best possible care to women throughout the Commonwealth.

Your Options is a founding member of the alliance and is excited by the enthusiasm of its fellow members to support each other in our service to women facing unplanned pregnancies. Currently, seven organizations representing thirteen locations are active members.

One of our primary goals is to educate the public as well as our elected officials about the valuable and necessary role centers play in assisting women and families during a crisis pregnancy. On Saturday, June 17th, pregnancy care alliance centers opened their doors to the public and invited interested citizens in to tour the center and learn more about the services each center provides. It was a wonderful opportunity to engage our supporters. Protesters appeared at several centers and we took the opportunity to dialogue and answer questions in a respectful, Christ-like manner.

#### Did you know?

In 2022, over \$1.5 million in free medical services and nearly \$1 million in free diapers, clothing, and other material resources were provided to moms and families through these seven organizations because of the generosity of people like you!

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has earmarked \$1 million dollars to produce public service announcements to warn the public about the dangers of pregnancy centers. We are strategizing on the best ways to counter the negative press by creating a positive, lifeaffirming public awareness campaign that highlights why pregnancy centers are good for Massachusetts.



If you would like to donate to this special campaign, please make a donation through the **pregnancycarealliance.com**.

# **NEW GIVING OPPORTUNITY!**

**ROUND-UP GIVING** makes it easy to support Your Options Medical. Donate your spare change with your every day purchases by joining our new Round-up Program. You can set and control how much you want to give each month and every time you make a purchase, we will automatically round-up to the nearest dollar. As you go about your day to day living, you can make a difference in ensuring that more women are reached and more lives are saved.

#### 1.) Link your card.

Activate any card you use for regular purchases in order to turn even the smallest purchase into a giving opportunity.

#### 2.) Set your monthly giving.

You control how much you want to give each month and you can adjust it up or down anytime you want.

#### 3.) Make a difference with every swipe.

Every purchase on your card will be automatically rounded-up to the nearest dollar and donated directly to Your Options Medical.

## PLANNED GIVING

Your Options Medical is launching a Planned Giving Program to help our donors consider various ways to support this mission through legacy giving that will ensure the long-term success of the ministry. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Teresa Larkin at **teresalarkin@awcprc.org** or **617-939-6654**.

Ways to Give to Your Options Medical

- By check: Please make checks payable to Your Options Medical and mail to: Your Options Medical P.O. Box 282 Revere, MA. 02151
- Credit, Debit or EFT through our Donate Now at partnersofyom.org
- Venmo: @youroptionsmedical
- Set up Recurring Giving online or by contacting Janet Pioccone at janetpioccone@awcprc.org or 617-419-6112.

### LOCATIONS REVERE

103 Broadway Revere, MA 02151

#### FALL RIVER

25 North Main St. Fall River, MA 02720

### BROOKLINE

1180 Beacon Street, Suite 5D Brookline, MA 02446

SOUTHBRIDGE

(New location pending)

### **OUR MISSION**

• ENGAGE with life-honoring services

• EMBRACE with life-saving truth

• EMPOWER with life-changing support

For more information or to make an online donation, you can visit us at our partners website: parntersofyom.org



# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

- Have you ever wanted to help women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant?
- Do you want to do more to help, but you are not sure how?
- Do you have compassion and empathy for those in need?

Consider volunteering with Your Options Medical! We are currently looking for Patient Advocates and General Help. For more information, contact our Revere office at 781.284.8747.

