

Akron Pregnancy Services

Riverwood Partnership Summary

PARTNERSHIP AND MINISTRY OVERVIEW

Theme:

“Love them where they are and provide community. Show them what their life could be through Christ”. APS provides support and services for women and families in crisis pregnancies by providing material, physical, and spiritual assistance during pregnancy and after delivery. APS’s sister organization, Eva, also provides no cost pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, and education on life options. The care and provision for Mom and Baby are priority throughout, extending support including important material goods (pack-n-play, car-seats, clothes, etc.) all for free while the parent(s) participate in Christian parental training and equipping classes. This also includes additional support for the families (food, diapers, advocacy, etc.). Parenting classes (including state-approved, court-ordered classes), Hope and healing recovery classes, Bible studies, and “Moms Group” – which is a weekly meeting of moms to encourage one another, and build community. These are all part of support offered on either a short-term or long-term basis. APS also can provide referrals and resources based on client needs.

Schedule:

Mon-Fri and on call.

Needs:

Female volunteer **advocates** to work one on one with clients. Training provided (3–4-week training program), then serving one time per week or every other week. Men are also needed as advocates as a part of our Fatherhood program. Non-advocate volunteers are also needed to work in childcare, administrative support, and processing material donations.

- **Ongoing physical needs** - diapers, wipes, baby items, clothing 0-5 years
- **List of immediate needs:**
 - 0–3-month white onesies, 2t/3t boy pullup, 12-18-month clothing (new or gently used), 4-5T clothing (new or gently used)
- **Common, ongoing needs:**
 - NIV Bibles, Jesus Storybook Bibles, Diapers/Pullups, Wipes, Formula, Baby blankets

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- **Amazon Wish List Link**

- Here is a link to our Amazon wish list as well. Feel free to put this on the website for people to check out. Sometimes this is helpful for people who want to go out and buy things but don't know where to start. This list is all for clients and their children. Anything that we would receive from this list would be processed and distributed to APS clients throughout the year.

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