

We Love Siblings!

It is exciting to welcome a newborn baby at the Inn; and no one is more excited about the newborn coming home than an expectant sibling. Many of the women we serve have dependent children with them. We support these mothers in the care of their newborns, but also in the care of their other children. When a mother has been in crisis, so too has her child. We assess each child's needs—material, developmental, and health related.



For all these children we emphasize routine, adequate sleep, healthy meals, playtime and developmentally appropriate behavioral expectations. We love working with the children who anxiously await the arrival of a brother or sister and want them to have the best we can offer them.

At times, a sibling with special needs may require special support and advocacy. In many cases, we can provide that support because our staff are dedicated, educated, experienced and credentialed.

In January, Summer and her six-year-old son, Jackson reached out to us for shelter. She shared that her son was non-verbal and had been diagnosed with Autism. The two were taken in and with the help of the Child Advocate in navigating the system, he started school, while obtaining an IEP providing for supports through the special school district. Mom and her son were both connected to resources for ongoing therapies and support. Due to his need for one-on-one support in the classroom, he was referred to an alternative placement.

Jackson is thriving in an environment where the curriculum is tailored to the needs of the child. Summer has recently delivered a healthy baby boy and has secured employment. Jackson loves being a big brother.

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Carla had been caring for her 7-year-old daughter, Lara, with Cerebral Palsy when they moved into Our Lady's Inn. Utilizing a wheelchair for mobility and relying almost completely on others to assist her with daily living tasks, Carla cared for her alone. Her daughter had long outgrown her wheelchair. Connecting with the disability services community, our VP-Program Services worked quickly to secure an appropriately sized wheelchair with features to ensure comfort and safety.

We saw great improvement in the wellbeing of both mother and daughter. Much of Carla's stress was removed with Lara's increased mobility and independence levels. We are happy when our newborns have well-cared for siblings who can love on them.



From the Chief Executive Office



Earlier this year, at our Annual Meeting, the Board of Directors welcomed a new member, Bryan Kirchoff. Bryan, holding a BS in Mechanical Engineering and an MA in International Affairs, is employed by the Boeing Company. He brings decades of experience volunteering in the

non-profit sector and has previously served on both the Young Professionals and St. Louis House Advisory Boards for Our Lady's Inn.

The role of the Board of Directors is to govern and is crucial in carrying out the mission of Our Lady's Inn. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated group of men and women serving in this capacity who so generously give of their time, talent and treasure for the benefit of those we serve. Inherent in the Board's governance role are two functions:

Protect the Public's Interest and Enable the Organization to Achieve its Purpose.

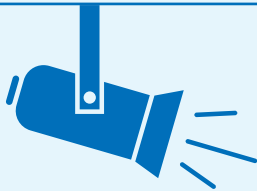
Non-profits such as Our Lady's Inn receive preferential tax treatment because they provide a "public" service that would not otherwise be

available without subsidy. The Board's job is to represent the public's interest in assuring that the agency serves effectively. To that end the Board is comprised of members with varied skills and talents. They accomplish this oversight and evaluation function by keeping well informed of the activities of the organization and communicating appropriate information to the public. They ensure the performance of an annual independent audit and support adherence to the standards laid out by CARF International - the agency which provides accreditation for Our Lady's Inn programs.

The Board must also enable the organization to successfully achieve its purpose and accomplishes this within its formal responsibilities which include selection of the organization's top executive to ensure excellent management of the organization, developing strategic plans; assuring the continuity of the organization through succession planning and supporting development efforts and policy making.

We are always on the lookout for men and women committed to our mission and willing to take on the responsibilities of Board membership. If the Lord is calling you to serve in this manner, reach out to learn more.

Peggy Forrest



Volunteer Spotlight

Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary *True Partners in Our Mission*

Local Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliaries have long been faithful partners in the mission of Our Lady's Inn, supporting mothers, babies and families through their generosity and service.

Their partnership includes financial gifts, event sponsorships, baby supplies, and advocacy throughout the community, including sponsoring a radio spot to share Our Lady's Inn's message of hope.

Their commitment is also reflected in creative fundraising efforts. A three-parish Baby Bottle Campaign raised more than \$6,000, while baby showers, bake sales, and general donations provide essential resources for the families we serve every day. Some Councils have made a long-term commitment to the Preparing for the Future campaign in support of our new building.

We are deeply grateful for the Knights of Columbus and Ladies Auxiliary. Their faithful support strengthens our mission every day and helps bring hope to mothers and families in need.

"As Knights of Columbus, we're called to protect the most vulnerable among us. Our Lady's Inn lives out this calling through its support of mothers and their children. Council 2117 is honored to support Our Lady's Inn because every life is sacred, and every mother deserves the chance to choose life for her child without fear of walking that path alone."

Tony Jarboe, Grand Knight, Council 2117



Staff Spotlight

Hannah Coffman Resident Support Staff



What interested you about this position?

I studied counseling in college and have been working in the behavioral

health/residential field for the last 7 years. My first job was at a teen maternity home and I really enjoyed working there. I was excited when I learned about Our Lady's Inn and being able to work at a maternity home again. No doubt about it: children are a gift from the Lord; the fruit of the womb is a divine reward. Psalm 127:3.

How many nights do you usually work?

A typical workweek for me is working four 10-hour overnight shifts, Thursday-Sunday from 10 pm- 8 am.

What are your main responsibilities during an overnight shift?

There is so much that we do, no night is ever the same. We take phone calls, ensure bedtime and morning routines are followed, assist with fussy babies, clean and sanitize common areas, prepare a room for the next family to move in, cook breakfast and sometimes transport a mom to the hospital for delivery. However, our main responsibility is ensuring safety. We check on the babies several times throughout the shift ensuring safe sleep practices are followed. We set the security alarms and monitor security cameras.

Safe Sleep is important in caring for babies at OLI. Can you explain what "Safe Sleep" means and why it is so important?

Safe Sleep is a best practices protocol Our Lady's Inn has adopted to help reduce the risk of suffocation, choking and falls. Safe sleep dictates that a baby sleep alone in his/her crib, not in bed with mom or with siblings. No toys, blankets, pillows or anything that could cause suffocation may be in the crib. Propping of baby bottles to feed is not allowed as this can cause choking. Three times a night, we are checking in on the babies ensuring they are either being attended to by their mother or in the crib.

What do you enjoy most about being an Overnight Resident Support Staff?

What I love about overnights is having quiet, one-on-one moments with clients. Nighttime is a peaceful time when clients come to the office for a moment to share about their day or how they are feeling. Having uninterrupted time to share what's on

their mind helps build trust and positive rapport. These are special moments.

Working through the night takes some stamina!

What's your secret to staying alert and ready to help?

The most challenging aspect of working overnight is making sure we have enough energy to last through the shift. Thankfully, I am already a night owl, so I have a little bit of an advantage. The best thing to do is to keep moving! I get up to walk around or stretch, and I stay busy. I work with another staff person so we help keep each other alert. I prioritize sleep in between shifts; being well rested makes a huge difference in energy levels!

Is there something about your role that people might be surprised to learn?

I think many assume working overnight means napping throughout the shift and not having any work to do. We have many tasks to accomplish and mothers and children to monitor. We have interactions with the moms, who may be up most of the night needing support in some way. Sometimes we will help with a newborn to help give mom a rest.

What makes working with the moms and babies at Our Lady's Inn especially meaningful to you?

Being able to support pregnant women in crisis by advocating for them, empowering them with tools to navigate motherhood and encouraging them with support and guidance brings purpose to my life.

I see the ways that mothers and their children are impacted by our program; whether it's through a staff-led fun activity that brings joy to their day, witnessing parenting skills learned, seeing moms connected to pre-natal care and prepared for birth, or having peace descend on a family who now lives in the safety of the Inn. When a child runs up to me to say hi and give me a hug, that means everything!

A scripture that guides me in the work I do is 1 Corinthians 13:4-7: Love is patient, kind, does not envy, does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs, it does not delight in wrongdoing but rejoices with truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

A Message from David and Lelia Farr Honorary Chairs

Preparing for the Future Campaign

For nearly 15 years, we have witnessed the life-changing impact of Our Lady's Inn. Since 1982, thousands of pregnant women and their children have been offered safety, compassionate care and resources for a brighter future.

As more and more expectant women in St. Louis County seek these services, a new maternity home is essential. We are proud to serve as Honorary Chairpersons of the *Preparing for the Future Campaign* in support of this effort and invite you to join us in creating this haven of hope.

Dedicating the Program Services Wing

In honor of her extraordinary legacy and 40 years of service, Our Lady's Inn is dedicating the Program Services Wing in the new facility to Gloria Lee. The wing will serve as the heart of the trauma-informed support services and individualized care our residents are offered.



Former board members, colleagues, and volunteers have made gifts and multi-year pledges to help dedicate this wing to someone who represents the heart and history of Our Lady's Inn.

We invite you to join them with a gift in Gloria's honor—or in tribute to someone who has made a lasting difference in your life.

Together, we can carry forward Gloria's legacy of loving service and ensure that future generations of women experience the care and compassion that defined her life's work.

Construction



On September 8th, construction began on the future Our Lady's Inn in St. Louis County. The excitement of all those involved was palpable as we saw crews clear the way for the driveway leading up to the site of the new home. The ranch style facility, designed by St. Louis architectural firm, JEMA, combines Our Lady's Inn's 45 years of experience serving pregnant women with a focus on privacy, safety and sustainability.

The Inn sits in a quiet natural landscape overlooking Big Bend Road in unincorporated St. Louis County. BSI Constructors has been entrusted to build the home, bringing its depth of experience to bear in transforming our dream into reality.

Stock & Associates, The Striler Group and Montgomery Bank round out our partners in this project. Construction is expected to be completed in late 2027, followed quickly by its opening.

A special groundbreaking ceremony is planned for October 7th. Community members, supporters, staff and all those who have played a role in this project will gather to celebrate with hard hats and shovels!

70% Missouri Maternity Home Tax Credit

A donation of \$100 or more may be eligible for a Missouri Maternity Home Tax Credit equal to 70% of your donation amount. Donors may claim up to \$100,000 in tax credits per tax year; credits may not exceed taxpayer's state tax liability for the year. The tax credit may be carried over to the next year,

if it cannot be claimed in the tax year the contribution was made.

To learn about eligibility for a tax credit or to request an application, please call 314-736-1544.

Has Begun!



The ceremony marks more than the start of construction—it marks a significant step in Our Lady's Inn's mission of providing pregnant women a home where life is cherished.



A Life-Affirming Legacy

A special debt of gratitude is offered to those who have so generously pledged or made a special gift to the Preparing for the Future Campaign.

We invite everyone to consider making such a life-affirming gift. There are Naming and Heart of the Home opportunities available which offer a meaningful way to honor a loved one or leave a memorial legacy. You may pledge a multi-year gift or make a one-time special contribution. QCDs, gifts from a Charitable Foundation and donations of stock are welcome.

Thank you for believing that every mother and baby deserves safety, dignity and a chance at a life filled with opportunity and hope.



For information about naming opportunities or to make a contribution visit www.ourladysinn.org or contact Kimberly Johnson at kjohnson@ourladysinn.org or 314.736.1544.



\$3,000

Total donation over one year to Our Lady's Inn

– **\$2,100**

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\$900

Adjusted Donor Investment

\$10,000

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Maternity Home Tax Credit (70% of Donated Amount)

\$3,000

Adjusted Donor Investment

Here's a Look at Our 2026 Events...



22nd CHARITY GOLF Tournament

July 27, 2026



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**Mark your calendar for next
year's Golf Tournament:
June 7, 2027**

Angel Gala

Sunday, April 12, 2026

Honoring: Jean Flanagan

Guest Speaker: Dr. Sam Goodwin

Master of Ceremonies: Rene Knott

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**Angel Gala
April 18, 2027**

*Celebrating 45th
Anniversary*

TRIVIA NIGHT On BROADWAY

**Saturday, October 17, 2026
St. Monica Parish Gym**

To register or for information, visit
www.ourladyssinn.org or scan code.



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The Stork was busy this June!



The stork was certainly busy this June! Between both Our Lady's Inn houses, six beautiful babies were welcomed into the world. Two of those little ones were born just two days apart at the same hospital, making it an especially busy and joyful time for our dedicated nurses and staff.

welcome baby

These precious babies were born at Our Lady's Inn between January 2026 and July 2026.

Amira	•	Jream	•	Na'Riyah
Damien	•	Maizy	•	Reign
Hendrix	•	Miguel	•	Trevon
Jakhori	•	Naiad	•	Zyheir

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