Mid-Year Update  
JANUARY - JULY 2020

SAVE THE STORKS

STORKS snapshot

Your $35 a month is such a gift to pro-life! Here is the impact of your donation:

- Consulting, training, and marketing support for pregnancy resource centers (PRCs)
- Pro-life awareness, education and social media
- $1 million+ in grants committed to PRC partners in 2020

FUNDRAISING for Storks and other pro-life initiatives and organizations

AS OF JULY 2020 THERE ARE 58 STORK BUSES ON THE ROAD IN 25 STATES

2020 STORK BUSES: 8 IN PRODUCTION • 20 FUNDRAISING • 3 DELIVERED

In May, Save the Storks participated in Giving Tuesday Now where we raised over $90,000 to give to 5 of our PRC affiliates located in California, Pennsylvania, Texas, Florida and Illinois.
Eight months ago, Kendra walked into an abortion clinic in Schenectady, NY after escaping an abusive relationship.

A relationship that forced her to flee her home town in the middle of the night to protect her daughters. And left her with another baby on the way, with few resources, and no hope of reconciliation.

The receptionist at the front desk of the abortion clinic told her she needed Medicaid or another form of insurance to get the procedure done.

“I have cash,” Kendra said. “I can’t have this baby and I need to do it fast.”

They booked her appointment for the next day.

“I walked out the clinic with a million thoughts in my head,” she said.

Distracted and unsure of whether or not she made the right decision, she was startled when Kelly Mapes approached her outside of the clinic and asked her how she was doing.

Mapes is a sidewalk advocate who works with Alight Care Center, a pregnancy resource center serving the Schenectady and Albany areas. She volunteers with Alight’s Stork Bus, also known as a mobile medical unit. The same unit parked outside of the abortion clinic where Kendra was that day.

“Kendra’s story is a lot,” Mapes said. “She has five children. One of them has sickle-cell anemia. She’s on her own. She had just moved here, and had nowhere permanent to stay.”

Mapes understood immediately why Kendra felt like abortion was her only option.

“It was the toughest story I’d ever heard,” she said.

Mapes asked Kendra if she wanted a free ultrasound on the Stork Bus so they could talk more.

The two women boarded the bus and the center’s licensed nurse practitioner gave her a sonogram. As soon as the heartbeat came through the speakers Kendra broke down and sobbed.

Mapes looked at Kendra at that moment and told her: “You’re not going to go through this alone. You’re not going to ever get rid of me.”

And she meant it.

Kelly and the people at Alight “caught me off guard,” Kendra said. “I’ve never had that kind of kindness before. They genuinely cared...If I could turn back the hands of time I would have never thought about an abortion. He or she really deserved that chance to be great. I have great girls, and I believe my next baby is going to be the same. This life growing inside of me is one of the best things that has ever happened to me.”

Watch more of Kendra’s story at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yVDu3O_PSGy