

LCC CONNECTION

Get to Know a Ministry

living|alternatives Pregnancy Resource Center

Living Alternatives is a pregnancy resource center located in Bloomington, IL. They have several locations around Illinois and Indiana. The organization began in 1985 in Springfield then moved to Lincoln and spread to other locations. LCC started supporting them in 2008. Currently, Ellen Orns is the Center Director. Ellen is also the sister-in-law of David Orns, a member here at LCC.

Support Offered

Living Alternatives (we often refer to this as just PRC) offers a host of services to mothers as well as fathers. They are open Monday -Thursday for scheduled appointments and walk-ins. They provide pregnancy tests, ultrasound scans, STD testing, etc.

PRC is dedicated to educating those who come to them and offer classes and mentoring for parents. These cover areas like what to expect during pregnancy, preparing for the birth, post-abortion support, adoption support, and support and mentoring for men.

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PRC is staffed by 11 nurses (RN) and 2 Sonographers. Their additional volunteers include 16 nurses (RN), 2 Sonographers, and 5 Physicians as well as many other individuals.

Residential Support

PRC offers two different residential options for women. The ladies are approved through an application process and must be willing to follow the programs' guidelines.

Birchwood Apartments is in Kankakee, IL and is a 9-month housing program to help alleviate housing issues for mothers as they get established in a good community.

Merci's Refuge is a 6-12 month program for women with traumatic past experiences or unhealthy patterns. During their stay they are provided counseling and educated on day to day skills of finances, parenting, social relationships, etc., to help get them headed in a good direction.



How We Participate



LCC supports PRC monthly as well as participates in an annual fund-raising walk. During the month of May we collect baby items for the center. We also participate in their "change for Hope", filling baby bottles with loose change for the ministry. The Mission Team hosts a table at PRC's annual banquet. This year the speaker will be Alan and Lisa Robertson.

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PRC has an open house May 11th, 4-6pm if you are interested in learning of ways to volunteer.