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"Life. The Other Choice." This is the Right to Life of Michigan message that we are encouraging across our County and State. With this prolife feeling in our hearts, we are striving to provide education to the community about life beginning at conception and ending when God has chosen to take us to our heavenly home. We are doing this through various activities such as: supporting the trained Sidewalk Advocates at the abortion clinic who hand out Blessing Bags filled with information about local crisis pregnancy resource centers; providing outreach to the local parochial school to support the next generation of prolife Americans; and being a presence at local events sharing this message to Choose Life. Your prayers and support are appreciated as we could not do any of this without each of you.

In political news, watch for information about the special election to fill the 35th State Senate seat, representing Bay County, which was vacated by Congresswoman Kristen McDonald Rivet. Right to Life of Michigan will be watching to support any prolife candidate. We need your vote to show our Governor we are not going to stand by and watch the State of Michigan sink into a culture of death.

Teresa Villano
President BCRTL

Membership Drive

Our 2025 membership drive is in full swing. Your financial support allows us to do local advertising to educate on the pro-life agenda, publish newsletters, sponsor a webpage and Facebook page, and support local high school and college prolife groups. Please consider making a contribution to Bay County RTL to continue our mission of creating a culture of life. The membership form is on the last page of this newsletter. We look forward to having you join us! Also, if you have an email address you would like to share with us, please give us a call or send us an email. We will add you to our email list instead of sending a printed newsletter to save on postage. Thanks!

Cherish Life

Thank you to Our Lady of Czestochowa and Our Lady of Peace parishes for participating in our Cherish Life fundraiser since our last newsletter. We are grateful for your support!

Memorials/Donations

Thank you to the following generous people/organizations for their donations to BCRTL since our last newsletter: Phyllis Megger; Kathy Niemann in memory of Eldine Parent; Veronica Lee; Gayle Ortner in memory of Eldine Parent; Richard G. Hall; Wayne & Carol Schulte; Gary & Charlene Fisher in memory of Ann Stein; Mary Jane Heynen; Geralyn & Michael McComb in memory of Ann Stein; and Anonymous.

2024 Annual Focus on Life Dinner

Thank you to all who attended and/or supported our annual dinner. It was a huge success and always a wonderful opportunity to see everyone. Thank you to our speaker Dr. Robin Pierucci, and thank you to The Grand in Essexville.





2024 Annual Pastor Appreciation Luncheon

This event was held on October 15 at St. Paul Lutheran Church. We hosted 7 area pastors who heard Ken Stults of Right to Life of Michigan speak. Thank you to everyone involved for helping with this important event.

Billboards

Thanks to all of you for supporting Bay County Right to Life. Because of you we have been able to purchase a billboard on southbound M84 (Westside Saginaw Road) just before SVSU from mid-October 2024 through March 2025. Below are the 4 posters that will be featured during this time period.









MiGen Leads

MiGen Leads is a project of Right to Life of Michigan designed to expand outreach to students and young adults. They have the following Contests and Programs: High School Oratory, Senior Prolife Essay Scholarship, High School Volunteers of the Year, and Young Adult Prolife Design Contest. For more information, see https://rtl.org/get-involved/migenleads/. Bay County's local oratory contest date is Sunday, March 23, 2025, entry deadline is March 14. New this year, we are also hosting a Middle School essay contest. See the enclosed flyer.

RLM Fall 2025 Conference Book ads

We are now soliciting ads for the Right to Life of Michigan Fall 2025 conference book. This conference book is distributed all over the State of Michigan. Businesses, organizations, and individuals are invited to advertise. If you are interested in more information, please call 989-895-8481 or email baycountyrtl@gmail.com. Thank you for your support!

2025 Annual Focus on Life Dinner

Our annual Focus on Life dinner will be held on Thursday, October 16, 2025 at The Grand in Essexville. Our featured speaker will be Kisha Martin. Kisha is a dedicated professional community advocate, currently serving as the Director M.O.M, of Birth Choice ICU Mobile Detroit. With an MBA in Management and Entrepreneurship Innovation from



Wayne State University, Kisha combines her expertise in business administration with her passion for healthcare to lead initiatives that support expectant mothers and families in Detroit. She has a 501C(3), Manicure for Mankind in the city of Detroit, in which she provides manicure and pedicure services to pregnant Moms, Dads, veterans, seniors, etc.

Since 2023, Kisha has also been a practicing Doula, providing compassionate and comprehensive support to women throughout their pregnancy, labor, and postpartum journeys. Her dual roles allow her to make a significant impact both on an organizational level and through direct personal

care, ensuring that women in her community receive the best possible support during one of the most critical times in their lives. Kisha's commitment to empowering women and improving maternal health outcomes is evident in all aspects of her work. Her leadership at Birth Choice ICU Mobile Detroit is marked by a focus on accessibility, education, and empathetic care, making her an influential figure in the field of maternal, child and community health and well being.



2025 Middle School Essay Contest

This essay contest is open to all Bay County, MI students in grades 6, 7, or 8. Bay County Right to Life is asking students to write a prolife essay on the topic "Why do you think each human life is precious in the eyes of God?" and read it aloud to a panel of judges. The essay reading needs to be 2-3 minutes in length. Prizes are: 1st place - \$50 gift card, 2nd place - \$25 gift card, 3rd place - candy treat. All participants will receive a prolife t-shirt from the rtl.org store.

Contest Application Form (Please print legibly)

Contestant Name:	
Address/City/ZIP:	
Parent Phone:	Birthdate:
Parent email address:	
School name:	
Are you a prolife student club member (yes/no):	
Grade (2024-2025 school year):	T-Shirt size:
*Student signature:	
*Parent signature:	

*By signing, you agree to allow Bay County Right to Life publicize contest results including your Information (name, grade and hometown), speech, contest photos and videos, as well as provide your contact information to any news media interested in stories about contest winners.

Return this form to: Lisa Goss, (989) 450-8128 or (989) 895-8481, baycountyrtl@gmail.com

Entry Deadline: March 14, 2025

Contest date: March 23, 2025

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