

## Program Development

Tri-City Life Center is continually seeking funding through foundations and fundraising events. Some of the past grants that have been awarded to Tri-City Life Center are from the Alcoa Foundation, the Avon Foundation, the Bozzone Family Foundation, the Community Foundation of Westmoreland County, Radio Shack Corporation, the Diocese of Greensburg Catholic Campaign for Human Development and the United Way Special Project Fund. A variety of local business leaders have contributed, and private donors regularly support Tri-City Life Center through donations and the United Way donor options program. These partners have been invaluable to the Center's continuing efforts to provide services to families. Baby Bottle Campaigns in local churches and schools and a fundraising banquet are some of the vehicles utilized to increase funding for the programs. The Baby Bottle Campaign is a simple way for entire families to be involved in Tri-City Life Center's work in the community. Participants fill baby bottles with "change for changed lives". Tri-City Life Center is always searching for other forms of activities that are fun and interesting. Tri-City Life Center believes that if a lot of people do a little, a lot gets accomplished.

## Your Help

Tri-City Life Center is grateful for the numerous volunteers who donate their time, talents and/or money. Some volunteers are those who have been helped and want to give back by serving others. Tri-City Life Center would appreciate your help in serving the needs of our community. Feel free to call us at 724-339-9399 to discuss how you may help.

## Client Appreciation

"Thank you for the food and furniture, and all the help you have given me and my boys. I'm really grateful that there are nice people like you who care about other people's problems." B. U.  
"Tri-City Life Center has been a true life saver for me and my children. Thanks for everything." E. M.  
"Thank you for all your support, concern and loving kindness. I could not have done it without your help and love." T. A.  
"Your staff and volunteers helped me to believe that there are people who genuinely care. They have been angels in not only providing me with material things and education, but a support system as well." J. M.

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# Tri-City Life Center, Inc.

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## Tri-City Life Center's Story

Tri-City Life Center, a faith-based organization, was birthed in January 1997, with the express intention of helping young pregnant women. Since that time, the Center has flourished to include a variety of programs designed to serve families in the communities throughout the Alle-Kiski Valley, including parts of Allegheny, Armstrong, Butler and Westmoreland counties. All programs are designed to give families and youth the tools to make informed and healthy decisions.

**Our Motto: We listen. We care. We help. We inform.**

## Our Mission

Tri-City Life Center, Inc. is a life-affirming pregnancy and family resource center dedicated to promoting physical, emotional, financial and spiritual well-being through confidential counseling, education and material support.

## Our Standard

Tri-City Life Center is a recipient of the Seal of Excellence awarded by the Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO) for successfully completing the Standards for Excellence certification Program in 2005. PANO's *Standards for Excellence: An Ethics and Accountability Code for the Nonprofit Sector* is based on fundamental values such as honesty, integrity, trust, responsibility and accountability. Tri-City Life Center's programs and services, management, fundraising, and financial practices were examined in depth before the certification was awarded. Tri-City Life Center is one of the first organizations to be certified under the Standards program that began in 2002. Tri-City Life Center was recertified in 2008.

## Our Programs

### ♥ Parent and Baby Program

Tri-City Life Center's primary concern is for the needs of parents and their children under three years of age. The Center provides:

- 24-hour hotline
- free pregnancy testing
- maternity clothing
- confidential counseling/post-abortion help
- food, clothing and furnishings for the baby
- client education

All of these items are provided at no cost to the client.

### • Confidential Counseling

Confidential counseling has become an important aspect of the Center's efforts. Families today have numerous needs that can be supported through counseling. Tri-City Life Center is a good source of information and referrals for those who have special needs.

### • Client Education

Through viewing videotapes and digital video discs and passing tests on them, clients are educated in the aspects of pregnancy and birth, child rearing, relationships, health issues, facts about abortion, alternatives to abortion and information about adoption. Through this education, clients earn "Baby Bucks" to earn new or gently used items from our baby boutique. These items can be earned also by receiving confidential counseling, volunteering at the center and speaking at community and church functions. "Baby Bucks" can be accumulated for the client to earn valuable items such as a crib, car seat, highchair and stroller. Tri-City Life Center helps with housing, emergency food and furniture when a person has moved or is in need.

Clients are referred to attend classes and seminars provided by other community service agencies with whom Tri-City Life Center collaborates.

Tri-City Life Center has instituted a Dad's Program using materials from the National Fatherhood Initiative through which fathers are educated on the impact he has in his family.

### ♥ Sexual Integrity Program

The Sexual Integrity Program of Tri-City Life Center has trained a team to present the program "*Worth Waiting For*" to teens and single adults in schools and community outreach. A Christian curriculum is also presented to youth groups and churches.

Tri-City Life Center encourages youth to make healthy decisions, setting a plan for their lives with the emphasis on integrity, respect, purity and commitment. Abstinence or chastity lifestyles are the only way to avoid sexually transmitted diseases that are epidemic now. Tri-City Life Center does not advocate or promote any type of birth control method (which has been proven ineffective by the Center for Disease Control). Youth are encouraged to commit or recommit their lives to make a fresh start. Each person is unique and special, and "worth waiting for" until marriage. Marriage is "*worth waiting for.*"

### ♥ Heart-to-Heart Mentoring Program

The mentoring program was developed at Tri-City Life Center to help attract relationships between mature men and women and young parents. The experience, empathy, maturity and wisdom these men and women offer are a tremendous resource to young parents. The Heart-to-Heart program can become a source of healing, strength and growth as the mentors influence the lives of others.