



Mission Statement

Skylark is a Christ-centered ministry dedicated to advancing the Sanctity of Human Life and sexual purity.

Our Objectives to accomplish our Mission:

- By providing for the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of those with pregnancy-related concerns.
- By educating the community on sexual purity.
- By involving churches, organizations, and individuals in the ministry.
- By developing the Skylark ministry for long-term effectiveness.

General Information

Skylark, as an extension of the local church, is an outreach of Christian love and concern, with a unique program designed to offer guidance and compassionate Christian support to women who are experiencing an untimely pregnancy. Skylark exists to aid women who may not be aware of their alternatives, by providing information, encouragement, practical help and counsel as they sort through the pressures, anxieties and fears.

Skylark is committed to serve any woman in an unanticipated, stressful pregnancy regardless of age, race, creed, color, national origin, or marital status. Services are also made available to her family and the father of the baby. Our clients receive help with their respective needs through the local churches as well as referrals for existing community services. All assistance given by the center is free.

Skylark recognizes that prevention of unplanned pregnancy with sexual risk avoidance is in the best interest of our entire community. BRAVEheart program has been commissioned to reach youth with a positive character-based abstinence program that encourages ongoing support from parents, peers, teachers, school administrators and other adults in the teens' life. The BRAVEheart program is offered to any interested group.

Skylark, a locally organized and funded nonprofit ministry, is governed by a local board of directors and managed by a director who carries out the activities of Skylark through a staff of volunteers.

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Jesup
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St. Marys
203 Lakeshore Pt Ste 203
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Mobile Unit
912-258-9879

Services Provided- Free of Charge

- Pregnancy testing / consultation.
- Limited STD/STI testing and treatment.
- Limited obstetrical ultrasounds.
- Education on pregnancy, adoption, abortion, and parenting.
- Clothing and furnishings for expectant mothers and babies (through age 2).
- Referrals for adoption, medical care, legal assistance, community and social services.
- Post abortion counseling, support education, and post abortion support groups.
- Assistance in learning basic decision making.
- Ongoing counseling and friendship throughout and after pregnancy.
- Classes offered in prenatal nutrition, childbirth preparation, parenting, and Christian discipleship.
- Mentoring in parenting, marriage, and Christian growth.
- After school character-based abstinence clubs and programming.

History of Skylark

In fall 1990, Founder, Barrie Parker, began the work of establishing a steering committee to follow the “How to Start a Crisis Pregnancy Center” manual established by Care Net. By June 20, 1991, the steering committee made way for the original Board of Directors to govern the foundation and be incorporated September 30, 1991 as Crisis Pregnancy Center of Coastal Georgia, Inc. The Board of Directors determined affiliation with the national organization Care Net would best prepare the organization to be a Christ-centered professional organization. On October 1, 1992 the Brunswick Facility opened to serve the Golden Isles.

In 1996 the transition was made concerning the distribution of maternity and baby supplies to the clients served through Crisis Pregnancy Center. The Dedication Dollars program (known today as Earn While You Learn) provided a means for clients to better themselves and receive the goods necessary to parent their child.

By the summer of 1998 a steering committee developed in Wayne County to prepare for a second office opening in Jesup Georgia, October 4, 1999. A third office in Kingsland, Georgia opened in April of 2003. Also in the spring of 2003 a medical steering committee lead by Dr. Bob Davis developed to explore the transition of the ministry into a medical model. Medical conversions were completed in Brunswick in 2007, in 2008 in Kingsland, and in 2012 in Jesup. As a result limited sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment along with limited obstetrical ultrasound are provided to clients.

The Kingsland office relocated to its current location in St. Marys in 2013. In 2017, the staff and Board of Directors saw a need for a new name and branding to broaden our reach to more women, thus the name Skylark was born. Also in Fall of 2017 the Mobile Medical Unit was launched, serving more communities in Southeast Georgia.

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Serving at Skylark

We're looking for someone just like YOU to be a part of this ministry! From meeting face-to-face with clients to stuffing envelopes in our mailings to organizing donations in the Boutique, there is a position for you here.

There are many tasks to be done at Skylark™ and none are to be considered more glamorous or more important than others. All are essential to the smooth operation of Skylark™. We hope you will come visit one of our centers and find which volunteer position might be best for you and your skills. If Christ has given you a passion for women and families in crisis, volunteer at your local pregnancy center. Just a few hours a month can have an everlasting impact.

Service Opportunities

There are many ways you can contribute your time to the ministry at Skylark™. Below is a brief overview of the variety of opportunities available for involvement.

Positions marked with an (*) indicate that additional in-house training is required.

- Patient Advocate (peer counselor) *
- Receptionist *
- Clerical Assistant
- Church Liaison
- IT Personnel
- Mailing Helper
- Medical Personnel *
- Material Services (sorting clothing and baby items)
- Table Host at Banquet
- Cleaning Crew
- Aquarium Care
- Special Event Helper
- Men's Ministry
- Teen Initiative Help
- Ultrasound Technician *
- Abortion Recovery Services *
- Mobile Unit Pit Crew
- Mobile Unit Driver
- Mobile Unit Peer Counselor*

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