



# BIKING FOR BABIES



2025 Annual Report

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“Woe to you if you do not succeed in defending life!”

*-statement by St. John Paul II, which inspired our co-founders in 2009*



## A PROBLEM EXISTS...

Our culture often tells young people that abortion is the only compassionate response to unplanned pregnancy, while also pushing them away from God and their own sense of worth. When these messages collide, life is devalued, families fracture, and quick fixes replace sacrificial love.

## BUT WE KNOW THE TRUTH.

The capacity to give oneself authentically and joyfully is present in each person, and when invited appropriately, a positive response can be life-changing for the individual and transformative for society.

## WE SEE A TIMELY OPPORTUNITY,

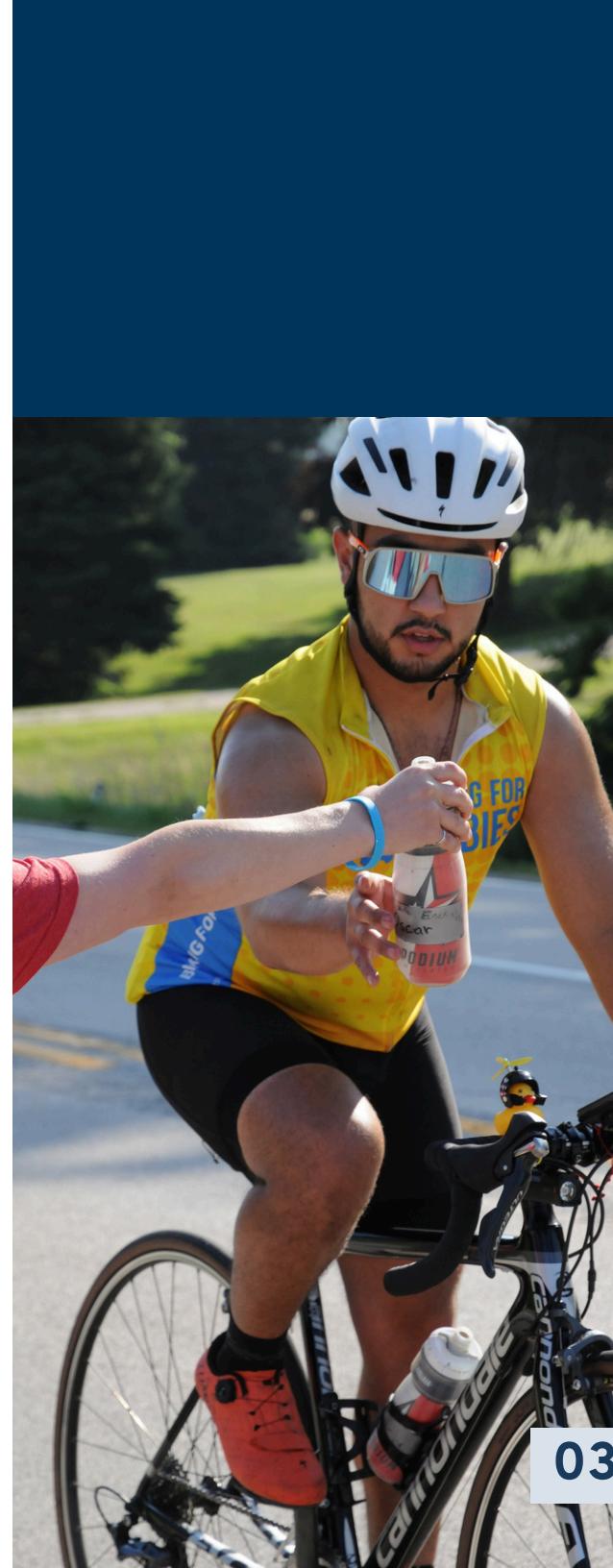
The stage is set to lead young adults to a life-changing response to the way God has made them, and help them experience the culture of life, one that highlights that each person has profound dignity.

## AND EVEN HAVE A SOLUTION...

We believe that transforming the hearts and minds of young adults through missionary discipleship, with a deep focus on the Gospel of life, is crucial for renewing the culture of life which will shape future generations.

## WHICH CREATES GENERATIONAL IMPACT.

Having encountered Jesus through a lived experience of sacrificing time and energy on behalf of the culture of life, these young people walk away spiritually transformed. Their sacrifices deepen their love for God and neighbor, which they carry into their marriages, their careers, their volunteerism, and their philanthropy.





297

young adults  
formed in the Gospel of life  
and sent forth as missionary  
disciples for life

41K

miles ridden  
across 26 states, sharing the  
art of living with hundreds of  
communities

175

partnerships  
with life-affirming pregnancy  
centers

~\$2.5M

given to pregnancy  
centers  
for their support of families  
in need

SINCE 2009



**CHRIS MASSARO**  
PRESIDENT

## A YEAR OF BLESSINGS AND GROWTH

If you're reading this annual report, it means you're either already involved with Biking for Babies or you're likely thinking about it. Welcome!

Having just finished our 16th year, there's a lot to celebrate, most importantly that our missionaries have once again had a wonderful experience volunteering and partnering with pregnancy centers nationwide.

In addition to the missionaries and pregnancy centers, we've had an eventful year organizationally. Nikki Biese, our Executive Director of almost seven years, gave birth to her sixth child, prompting her to shift into a part-time Human Resources Manager role. Her skills and knowledge are certainly appreciated; we're glad she's still with us.

Formerly the Mission Advancement Director, I've now stepped into the role of President, effectively taking over Nikki's prior role with some differences. I'm looking forward to leading the organization into its next phase of life.

Sarah Wiese (former Operations and Marketing Director) changed roles and became the Recruiting and Marketing Director. To take over the operations of our National Ride and some other major events, we brought on Bridgette Behler as the Program Operations Director. To help with fundraising, we hired Joe Armen as the Advancement Coordinator. Finally, we brought long-time volunteer Josh Geinert on staff as the Missionary Formation Coordinator, helping the formation program succeed and improve.

All these developments are necessary to reach our lofty goals: by 2028, we intend to expand from coast to coast, forming missionaries, partnering with pregnancy centers, and sharing the culture of life on the National Ride in all four time zones.

From a personal life standpoint, in 2025, four Biking for Babies staff members welcomed new children and one staff member got engaged. Praise God!

As I said, there's a lot to celebrate! Including you! I hope you'll take a moment while reading the pages that follow to rejoice in all you've done to advance the culture of life in our country.

God bless you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Massaro". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the last name.

# 2025 RECAP BY THE NUMBERS

Beyond the numbers listed, hundreds of lives were impacted through missionary formation, pregnancy center partnerships, and evangelization during our National Ride and Rides for Life.

## MISSIONARY FORMATION



**84**

young adults accepted into our formation program

## PREGNANCY CENTERS



**\$450,000**

given to 89 pregnancy centers in 28 states

## MISSIONARY FUNDRAISING



**\$337,991**

raised by the young adults in our formation program

## NATIONAL RIDE



**850**

people evangelized at 33 National Ride events in 55 cities

## CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE



**406**

attendees celebrating lives fully lived in St. Louis, MO, and Philadelphia, PA

## RIDES FOR LIFE

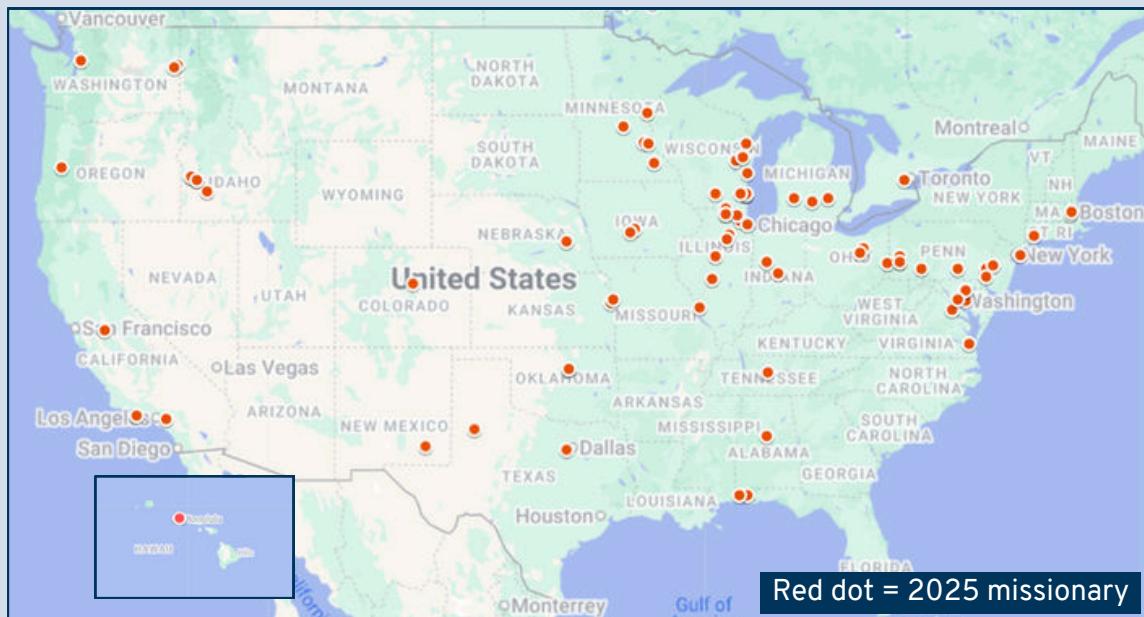


**215**

participants in our Central Iowa, Philadelphia, and Shippensburg Rides for Life

# MISSIONARY DISCIPLES FOR LIFE

Biking for Babies forms young adults through a unique blend of spiritual growth, community life, and physical challenge that fosters virtue and leadership. Missionaries deepen their faith and become joyful advocates for human dignity through intentional formation and shared mission. This experience equips them to carry a lifelong commitment to the Gospel of life into their communities and careers.



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*“It gave me a greater appreciation for what a gift life is, through my own lived experiences. It helped me see life through new eyes. It helped me to see that life is something personalized, unique, special. There's something very sacred about life. I could see it through my own experience, and I realize that it's just as true for everyone else. I see that God has given me a great gift, even if it is hard.”*

*-Aaron*

84

accepted  
missionaries

27

different states  
plus Canada

34

careers  
including teachers,  
seminarians, accountants,  
physical therapists, and more

36

returning  
missionaries

See our list of 2025 missionaries at  
[www.bikingforbabies.com/our-missionaries](http://www.bikingforbabies.com/our-missionaries).

# MISSIONARY FORMATION



Young adults learn about the Gospel of Life through virtual small groups and educational and spiritual curriculum, leading them to a lived, personal encounter with Christ and understanding of the holiness of every child of God.

Pursuing the discipline of a disciple, both rider and support crew missionaries embark on spiritual and physical training programs, preparing them for the National Ride, a 6-day, 600-mile bicycle ride: a lived experience of sacrificing time and energy on behalf of the culture of life.

As missionary disciples of Christ, missionaries are then sent forth into their workplaces, schools, families, parishes, and communities to boldly share the spiritual truth that “losing their lives” (Mt 16:24-25) leads to fulfillment and joy, and that we are our brother’s keepers.

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**94% of missionaries report growth in the virtue of sacrificial love through their formation with Biking for Babies.**

Missionaries often come into our program saying they want to grow in expressing their beliefs and not being afraid to share the truth and talk about being pro-life.

**Excitingly, 97% of our missionaries self-report growth in confidence for sharing their pro-life beliefs.**



## GROWTH IN VIRTUE



## RACHEL'S STORY

*Rachel is a rider missionary from Connecticut who rode with the inaugural 2025 Maine Team. She shared this testimony after her first National Ride.*

Biking for Babies has been a vessel through which God has taught me so much about what it means to truly live. God is continually pouring His love out to us in each moment. When we free our hearts to be present to the moment He has us in and receiving His love through the gift of the person placed in front of us, we can come to know God more intimately and experience true joy. Those moments of experiencing God through one another are some of the most powerful and tangible experiences of God's love for us as humans.

In the final moments upon the cross, there are two final remarks Jesus made and continues to speak to us today. One is the promise of eternity with Him to the repentant sinner who seeks refuge in Him (Luke 23:40-43). The other addresses how we should live our lives in relation to one another:

**"When Jesus saw His mother and the disciple whom He loved standing beside her, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son." Then He said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home." - John 19:26-27**

This moment is so significant for us to ponder. Jesus thought that addressing His mother Mary and the disciple and telling them to care for one another as kin was important enough to be one of His final words. This speaks volumes about how we should love one another and how much God desires to give His love to us through the vessel of one another.

During my experience on the National Ride, I experienced this encounter of self-sacrificing and unconditional love so tangibly in each moment through my teammates, our generous hosts, and each person we encountered along the way at churches or even the most unlikely of stops.



## RACHEL'S STORY, CONTINUED

This intentional encounter with God's love is what stirs true joy, a desire to choose to embrace the abundant life that God has waiting for us, and frees us to allow the Lord to use us a vessel through which He allows others around us to experience His love.

I have come to recognize that this is truly **the foundation and purpose of the pro-life effort and the Biking for Babies mission at large**. If a mother and father know the love of God for themselves through the care they receive from those God has placed in their life, they will have an encounter with true love and can more freely choose life for both them and their child.

Yes, being pro-life and the Biking for Babies mission is about helping mothers and fathers to recognize the beauty of the life of their unborn child and to assist them in getting the resources to choose to carry their pregnancy to term, but, more deeply than that, it is about loving those parents in a way that they understand their own dignity, worth, and experience God's intense love for them.

And this extends far beyond solely mothers and fathers who find themselves in challenging pregnancies. **It is for every person.**

God desires first and foremost for our own souls to have an encounter with His love in the present moment we are in, and yes that means right now as you are even reading this God is desperately pouring out His love to you and desiring you to be open to receiving it.

Once we receive and know His love for ourselves, we can be free to be God's vessel through which He allows those around us to experience His love. This is what I believe was in part what Christ was pointing to when He said those final words to His mother and the disciple. They were first receiving His love for them through His sacrifice on the cross and then He turns them to one another and commands them to be the vessel through which they will continue to experience His love.

*-Rachel*

# PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER PARTNERSHIPS

We are proud to invest in pregnancy centers, the agents of change in so many lives experiencing crisis as well as an impactful witness for our missionaries.



89

partnerships  
with life-affirming  
pregnancy resource  
centers, maternity homes,  
and medical clinics

28

different states

33

centers  
partnering with us for the  
first time

100%

of missionaries  
visited a pregnancy  
center



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*“I loved visiting my pregnancy resource center. It made me so much more excited for the mission. I especially loved seeing the way that my center focused on fathers and families. I love connecting with the staff there and seeing such an on-fire group of people.”*

*-Karina*

# PARTNERSHIP IMPACT

Because you give generously, we too are able to give generously to these pregnancy centers and their life-saving work. This year, we contributed **\$450,000 to 89 centers**. Our overall donation total is now an incredible and impactful

**\$2,479,180!**

This partnership directly affects the women served by our pregnancy resource center partners, including Faith-Ann (pictured right) who was first served as a client of PRC Rolla and now serves as a coach for other women there. She shared,

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“Since opening in 2007, PRC Rolla has saved 4,125 babies – my baby being one of them. So on behalf of PRC of Rolla and mothers facing unplanned pregnancies, thank you, Biking for Babies missionaries. You have been part of saving 4,125 babies’ lives – and, quite frankly, saving their parents’ lives as well. I say that because abortion would have changed me forever. It’s something I would never have come back from, and would have deeply regretted. But thankfully, my story turned out very differently. Please allow my face, and my son’s face, to stand for just one of the thousands you have impacted.”

*-Faith-Ann*

**Additionally, the centers have shared that both our financial support and partnership with young adults is tremendously impactful.**

“We are absolutely overwhelmed by this gift and your tremendous support. This means more than you all can imagine, particularly in a state where abortion tourism is being pushed excessively. While we are hearing of abortion facilities around the country closing down, it seems those in Washington are doubling down and become even more aggressive.” -Path of Hope

“It was truly a privilege to meet our missionary rider this year and to witness firsthand the passion, faith, and sacrifice that fuel the Biking for Babies mission. Their dedication is a beautiful reflection of Christ’s love in action, and it inspires us to continue saying “yes” to the work God has placed before us.”

-Martha’s House of Hope



# PARTNERSHIP IMPACT

The pregnancy center-missionary partnership continues to be a catalyst to conversion for the missionaries as they heard stories of lives changed and lives lost, and learned about the services provided to their own communities.

**Each missionary visited a pregnancy resource center in 2025, and 94% self-reported growing in empathy for pregnant women and families. The vast majority of missionaries named visiting a pregnancy resource center as both informative and profoundly impactful. Amanda (pictured right) was able to share her center visit with her teammates during their National Ride; Richard (pictured right with Amanda), a staff member at Mother of Life Center, coordinated the team's stay.**

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*“It's been shocking how freely they give to women and families in need. Hearing testimonies from people who have visited the centers as well as the staff has brought a deeper meaning and purpose to Biking for Babies. It made it more personal and meaningful in a way I don't think would be possible otherwise.”*

-Monica

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*“I feel more prepared solely by the intense desire I have grown in to defend life. Through Biking for Babies I came to see more of what it means to be pro-life, upholding the dignity of life at every stage. It means standing up for the babies AND the mothers. I want to get more involved with PRCs through volunteering, and just spreading the word about the great ministry these organizations do.”*

-John

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*“We've built a relationship with the pregnancy center director, attended some events like their annual gala, offered prayers and encouragement, and we were able to recommend their services to our neighbor's granddaughter who is a single woman expecting her first child.”*

-Anna Marie



# TREY'S STORY

A longtime cyclist, Trey feels most like himself on two wheels. So when he heard about Biking for Babies, he knew that, combined with his openness to helping others and his pro-life beliefs, this was the mission for him.

Trey trained his best, wanting to honor God calling him to this mission at this time. He also called to mind his teammates, the mothers and families in unexpected pregnancies, and those working at pregnancy resource centers and offered up his sacrifice for them.

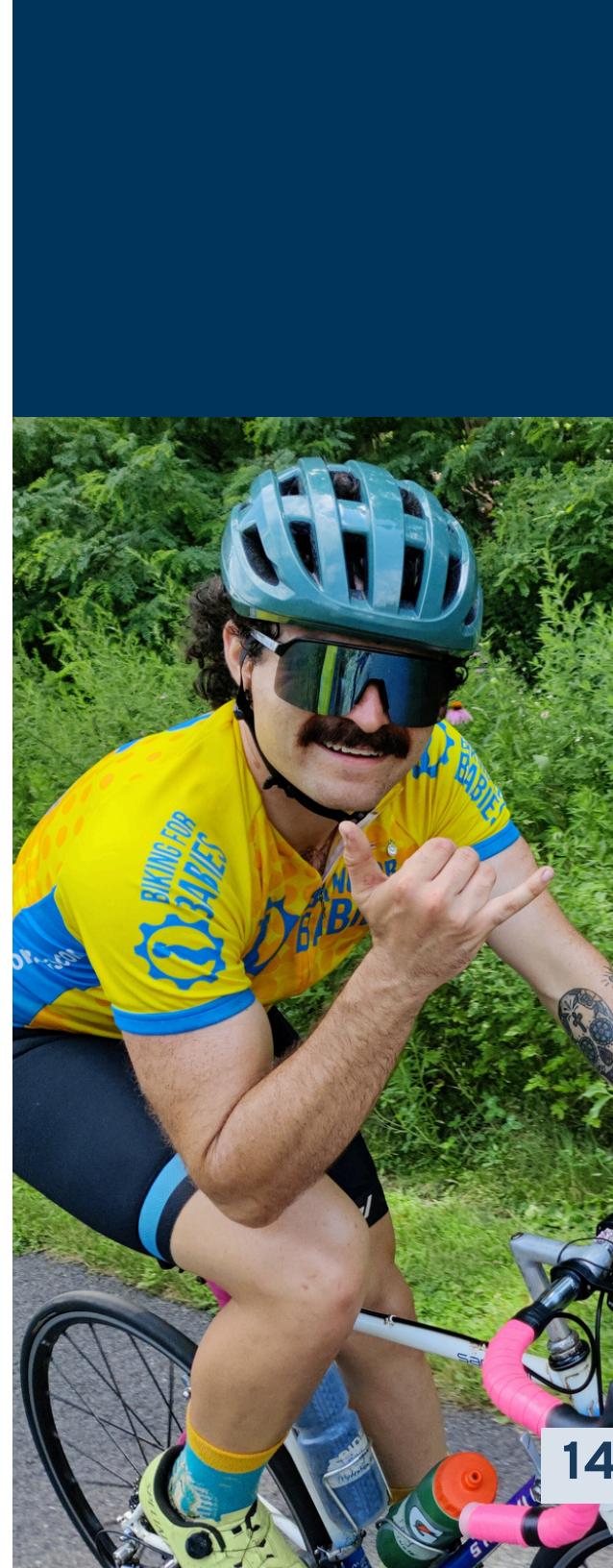
What was supposed to be a 16 hour journey from his home in Hawaii to his National Ride starting location in Maine turned into 33 hours after multiple flight delays. But Trey turned this annoyance into an opportunity for evangelization, wearing his Biking for Babies shirt and capitalizing on opportunities to share about the mission and what pregnancy resource centers are and what they can do for mothers and families.

Trey rode into this mission full of life and joy. He recognizes that joy is a gift from God, but what he didn't expect is how much he was able to grow in that gift during his time with Biking for Babies. He says, "it makes me so happy that God gave me this gift and I am able to share both that joy and the mission with others!"

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*"This year with Biking for Babies has completely rejuvenated my zeal for Christ and how I turn to Him in all aspects of my life. During formation I could feel Him working and using the sacrifices I was making in training to help me grow closer to Him, and leading up to the National Ride where I was able to be wrapped in His love in a way I haven't felt in such a long time. Coming back from that has allowed me to unapologetically live for Him and see and love others the way He calls us to. I feel so much more comfortable speaking about my faith and not worrying about what anyone will think because I know He will always take care of me."*

*-Trey*



# CELEBRATIONS OF LIFE

We gathered with local community in St. Louis, MO, and, for the first time, Philadelphia, PA, to celebrate the missionaries at the end of their National Rides.

Throughout the years, the Celebration of Life (COL) has been an opportunity to be inspired and reminded of the importance of walking with others in love and truth. Co-founder Mike Schaefer once shared, "what I observe every year is literal culture being built." And in our mission to renew the culture of life, it's such a gift to build culture alongside supporters across the nation through these two events.



*Missionaries and alumni at the COL St. Louis*



*Missionaries from the Ohio West Team at the COL Philadelphia*

**406**

attendees  
between both events

**\$11K**

from sponsorships

**30+**

volunteers  
from local parishes



save the date

Our 2026 Celebrations of Life will be on July 18. You can learn more by visiting

[www.bikingforbabies.com/events](http://www.bikingforbabies.com/events)



# RIDES FOR LIFE

Although our annual mission opportunity is designed for young adults, Rides for Life (RFL) unite entire communities across generations. Locally coordinated by volunteer mission partners, these one-day biking events raise both funds and awareness for formation initiatives, pregnancy resource centers, and maternity homes. Riders of all ages participate together, reflecting a shared commitment to life.

## CENTRAL IOWA RFL

97 riders joined in the fifth annual Central Iowa Ride for Life, raising \$30,274 for four pregnancy resource centers and maternity homes near Ankeny, IA. It's a joy to continue to support the ongoing efforts for life across Iowa, and it was the best turnout and weather we've had of the past five rides. Join us for the next Ride for Life on June 27, 2026.

## SHIPPENSBURG RFL

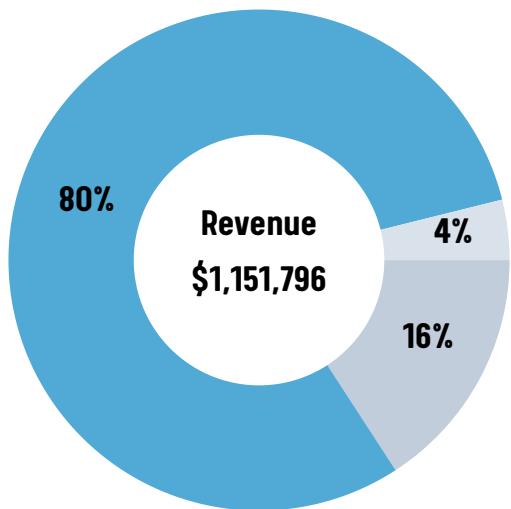
The first ever Shippensburg Ride for Life, an off-shoot of the Philadelphia Ride for Life (below), was a big success, with over 50 participants and a great group of volunteers. Participants endured the elements at the end of April in central Pennsylvania, which meant riding through the rain and little bit of chill. The plans are already underway for round two on April 25, 2026!



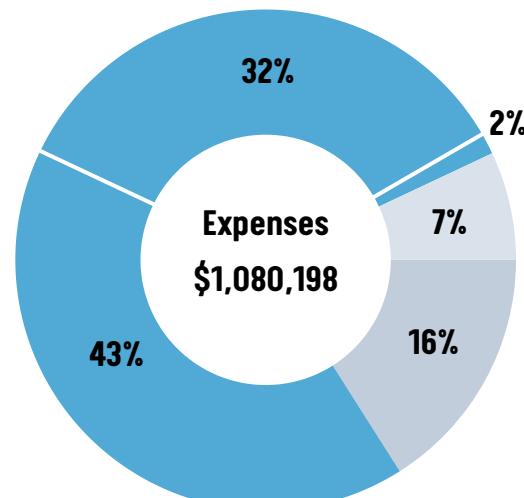
## PHILLY RFL

The fourth Philadelphia Ride for Life included around 65 participants; more kids joined this year than in the past, which was nice to see. Unfortunately, like in Shippensburg, participants had to endure some nasty weather as well. But that didn't stop everyone from enjoying the ride and it gave them something to "offer up." Save the date for our next ride: June 27, 2026!

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT



- 80% Personal Donations
- 16% Grants
- 4% Interest, Fees, In-kind Gifts



- 32% Missionary Formation
- 43% Pregnancy Center Contributions
- 2% Pregnancy Center Awareness
- 16% Fundraising
- 7% Administration

## TOTAL EXPENSES

### PROGRAM

Missionary Formation	\$ 344,526	32%
Pregnancy Center Contributions	\$ 463,372	43%
Pregnancy Center Awareness	\$ 26,170	2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 834,068</b>	<b>77%</b>

### FUNDRAISING

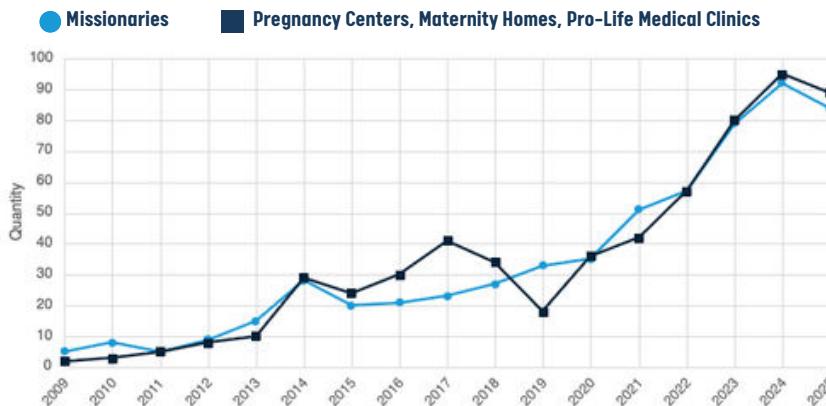
### ADMINISTRATION

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,080,198</b>	<b>100%</b>
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# SWEET SIXTEEN YEARS

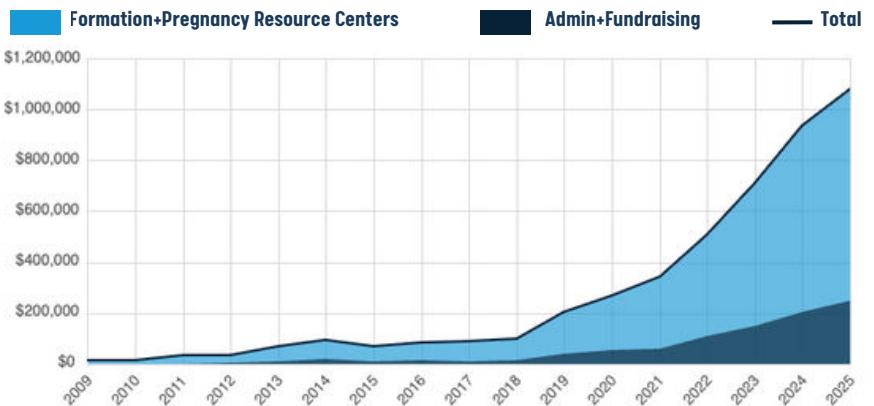
## NUMBER OF YOUNG ADULTS & PREGNANCY CENTERS

We desire a 1:1 ratio between our young adults and our partnering pregnancy centers because the centers aid in forming our missionaries through personal relationship and education.



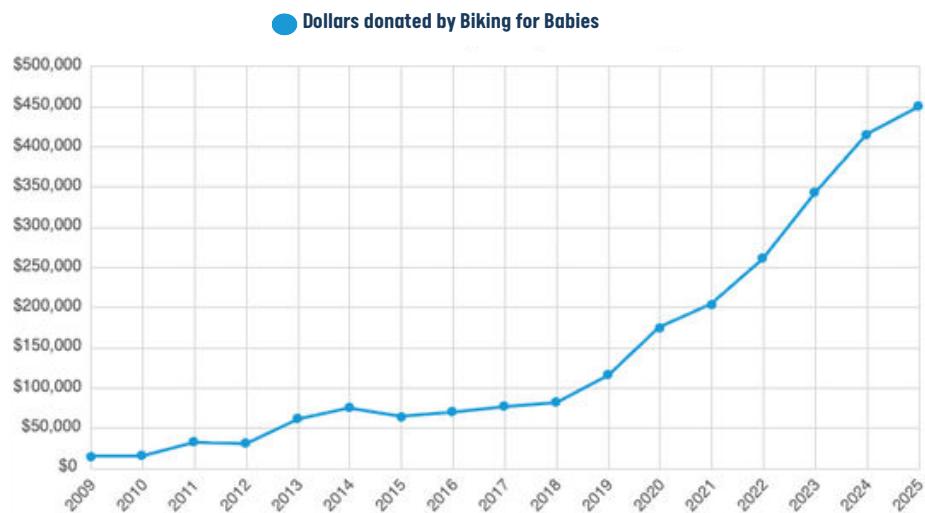
## FINANCIAL IMPACT BY YEAR

The formation of young adult missionaries and the support offered to pregnancy centers nationwide are the main components. Fundraising and administration are necessary for the entirety of the mission.



## DONATIONS TO PREGNANCY CENTERS BY YEAR

Each year, we donate as much money as possible to our partnering pregnancy centers, maternity homes, and medical clinics. Significant gains have been made in the past six years.





## THE FIRST ALUMNI RIDE

We envision generations transformed by the Gospel of life, starting with young adults growing in their faith today and tomorrow radiating the love of Christ to their communities at large.

Since 2009, nearly 300 young adults have been sent out, ready to share about their conversions and experiences with Biking for Babies. So we invited them all back to experience the sacrificial nature of the National Ride again, and seven picked up the cross to participate in the inaugural Biking for Babies Alumni Ride, Retreat, and Reunion: the BARRR.

From Dyersburg, TN, to Manchester, MO, over two days, these alumni experienced 250 miles of riding—flat the first day, hilly the second, and a thousand degrees for both.

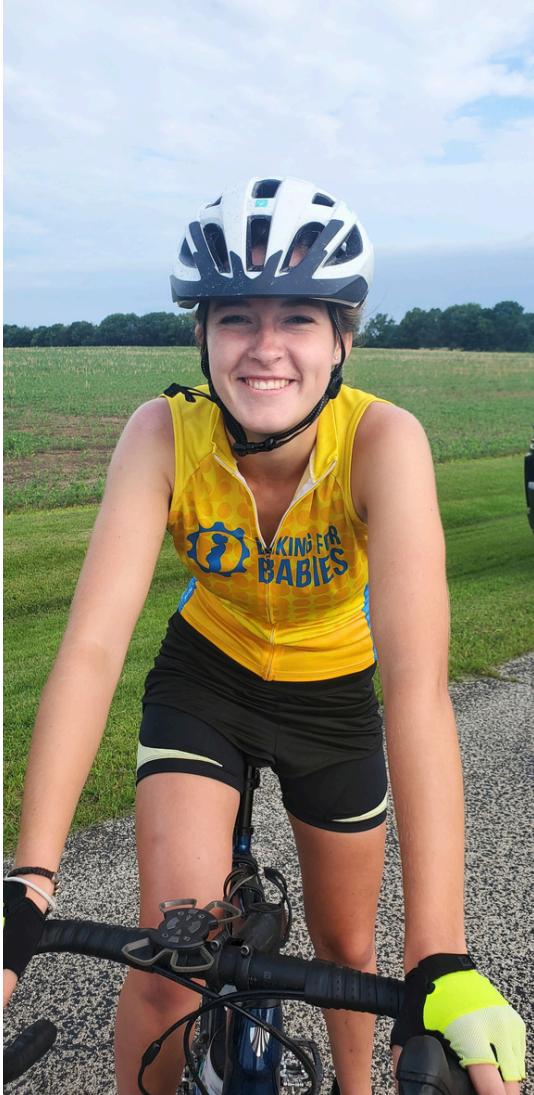
Some highlights included retreat talks by alumni themselves, different forms of prayer led by Fr. Patrick Hirtz (also an alumni), the generosity of officers in Dyers County, Caruthersville, Columbia, and South County who escorted the team down several highway segments for safety, and welcoming the 2025 National Ride missionaries at the finish line.

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*“The Biking for Babies Alumni Ride and Retreat was a beautiful reminder of the role that friendship, prayer, and doing hard things for people you love has in keeping that vision good, true, and faithful. We may not have ridden as far as we once did or as fast, but we kept our eyes and hearts oriented toward that spiritual horizon together.”*

*-Mike*





Learn more on our website  
or with this 4-minute video.

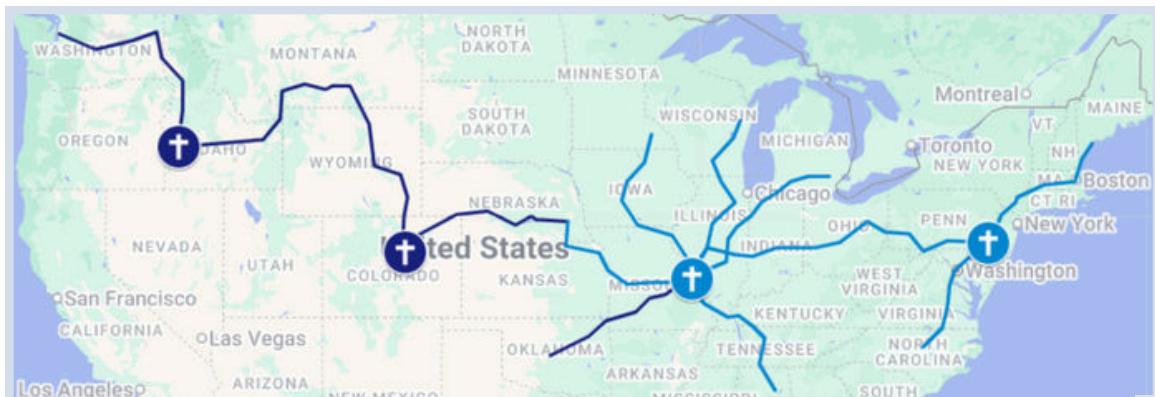
## OUR 2028 MOONSHOT

This mission started because St. John Paul II's conviction about the dignity of human life and his message to young adults in particular moved two college students to put their love for endurance sports at the service of the culture of life. In 2009, on their spring break, they biked 600 miles across Illinois, praying and raising money for a pregnancy center. While on their ride, they visited the pregnancy center and held a newborn baby who was given life because of the pregnancy center's work. That experience changed their lives and motivated them to help more young adults have transformational encounters like the one they had.

This has grown into a national effort to transform the lives of young adults through missionary discipleship and the Gospel of life. In 16 years, Biking for Babies has now engaged almost 300 young adults, partnered with 175 pregnancy centers, and raised nearly \$2.5 million to help vulnerable families. **But we're not done.**

This map shows our goal for expansion by 2028, with new teams and ending locations shown in dark blue. By 2028, with your help, we will transform young adults into missionary disciples from coast to coast, through the Gospel of life, inspired by St. John Paul II's witness. Imagine the long-term impact of covering the entire country with this joyful, Gospel of life, mission.

**Will you join us in transforming generations through the Gospel of life?**



Current Hubs

Potential Hubs

Current Routes

Potential Routes

"Beloved, do not be surprised that a trial by fire is occurring among you, as if something strange were happening to you. But rejoice to the extent that you share in the sufferings of Christ, so that when his glory is revealed you may also rejoice exultantly. If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you."

-1 Peter 4:12-14





## THANK YOU TO

- the 2025 Team Leaders (pictured above), who formed, trained, and led this years' missionaries in proclaiming of the Gospel of life
- the 2025 Executive Team, who spent countless hours discerning God's will and working to make every planned opportunity successful for the missionaries
- the 2025 National Ride Hosts, who gave rest, sustenance, and publicity to our missionaries across the country
- the countless mission partners, who see the impact of Biking for Babies and make this work possible by their generosity

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“Thank you for inviting us to join Biking for Babies. It has totally changed our lives and has had such a big impact on our family. We love it, and it is so fun. Thank you so much for making this a part of our lives.”

*-The Sakmar Family, mission partners*

## SPECIAL THANK YOU

In addition, I'd like to thank Nikki Biese in a special way for her service to Biking for Babies these past seven years as the Executive Director. She's done a tremendous job leading the organization and been incredibly dedicated to it. Biking for Babies would not be what it is today without Nikki's involvement. Please join me in a prayer of gratitude for her and her family.

*-Chris*



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Coordinator*



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Formation  
Director*



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Formation  
Coordinator*



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Director*  
*\*hired in FY2026*



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*Recruiting and  
Marketing  
Director*

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**Fran Kolimago**



**Keith Parsons**

# PARTNER WITH US

Share about Biking for Babies online or in-person.

Help us invite young adults into our annual mission opportunity.

Join us for the St. Louis or Philadelphia Celebrations of Life, both on July 18, 2026. Sponsorship opportunities are also available.

Join us for the Shippensburg Ride for Life on April 25, 2026; the Central Iowa Ride for Life on June 27, 2026; or the Philly Ride for Life, also on June 27, 2026. Sponsorship opportunities are also available.

Introduce our team to a potential mission partner, young adult missionary, or pregnancy resource center partner.

Email Chris at [chris.massaro@bikingforbabies.com](mailto:chris.massaro@bikingforbabies.com) to share how you'd like to be involved.

On behalf of all Biking for Babies missionaries, partnering pregnancy centers, staff members, leaders, and board members,

# THANK YOU

for your generosity, which drives this mission forward.



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