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Life Links

Tale of Two Cities

Vida is planning to expand simultaneously into Oshkosh and Green Bay! This should come as no surprise to those of you who have attended Vida events in the past several years and those of you who have been reading this newsletter.

Expansion is a very different proposition for each city. In fact, the only thing the two moves have in common is the higher visibility of this life-affirming ministry!

Bella Executive Director, Beth Nemecek, and I have thrown around many terms to try to best characterize the coming together of our two ministries. The terms merger, adoption, and marriage all fall short. Bella and Vida have been working closely together now for the past several years because we felt it was the best way to pursue and maximize impact in the lives of the families we serve. That's really

it in a nutshell. We are engaged in serious work where there are literally lives hanging in the balance. This bold move to bring our two organizations together is what's best for the people we serve. And that's what makes it the right move.

Bella's name will be changing to Vida in July, but the Bella team and location will remain the same. Vida is excited to introduce this newsletter and Impact Report to Bella donors, and warmly welcome them to Vida events. We are also excited to help the Bella team

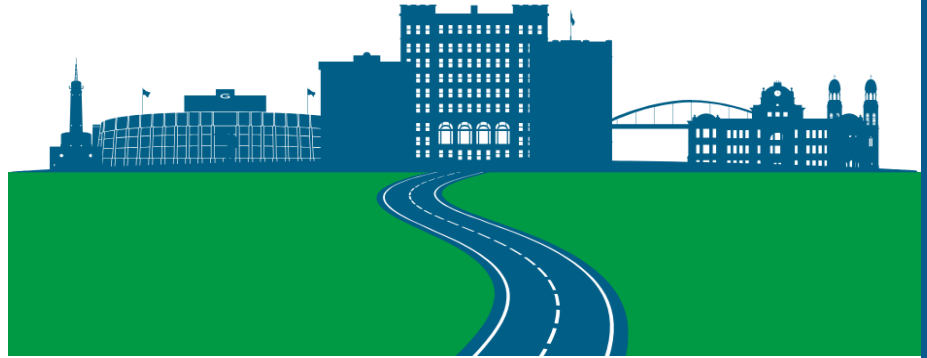
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with the planning and preparation necessary for longstanding Bella events including their annual fall *Walk for Life*. This is truly an incredible opportunity to bring the Oshkosh and Appleton communities together in support of one united Christian life-affirming ministry. The beautiful part about this particular expansion of the Vida brand, is that Bella is a much loved and well supported ministry. It will be a tremendous blessing to work alongside of Bella donors and Church Partners.

Green Bay expansion is truly a bold move, and success will be heavily dependent on building a solid donor base and fully engaging Church

Partners! We don't have to wonder about the needs of the Green Bay community because we are already serving families and individuals from Green Bay on a regular basis in all programs. In fact, it is not unusual for patients, clients, and maternity home residents to ask us, "When are you coming to Green Bay?"



The answer to when are you coming to Green Bay is, "As soon as we find a building!" I feel a little like Goldilocks in *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. I have toured spaces to lease and buildings to purchase in every area of Green Bay and the surrounding communities. Some have been too big, some too expensive, and some too small with no room for future expansion. Where is the building that is "just right?" There is no way to be obedient to God's calling without a gigantic leap of faith. God's provision has been so clear with every other Vida property acquisition that we should "Be Not Afraid" of what lies ahead on this particular road. Stay tuned, 2025 is shaping up to be another BIG year!

- **Anne Tretinyak, J.D.**
Vida Executive Director

Vida Grant Application Update

Vida submits applications for community, corporate, and family foundation grants to help ensure financial sustainability through diverse revenue streams, and connect available dollars in the community to the impactful services and work of Vida. Vida continues to apply for grants to meet unmet community needs and maximize impact for those we serve. A quick review of 2024 grants for Vida includes:

Awarded Grants

- Fox Cares Foundation
- J.J. Keller Foundation
- Robert and Pat Endries Family Foundation
- St. Joseph's Parish
- St. Thomas Moore Memorial
- WPS
- Menasha Corp

Declined Grants

- Otto Bremer Pilot
- Funds for Greater Green Bay
- GGBCF Common Ground
- US Venture Program
- Schreiber Foods
- Basic Needs
- De Pere Christian Outreach

Pending Grants

- St. Norbert Abbey Augustine Stewardship Fund
- Monica Meyer

Medical Clinic

Vida Medical Clinic is on the move! Clinic expansion into the Fond du Lac area went amazingly well and our first year of services was very successful with our team providing over 100 medical services to the Fond du Lac community. We continue to be grateful for our close collaboration with Charis. Vida's traveling medical team has been hard at work with our new expansion to Oshkosh, which is now complete! Our team is settled in and hard at work serving the Oshkosh community. We are thankful for Bella warmly welcoming Vida to their space.

We continue to be amazed by God's faithful leading, provision, and grace. **Vida was the recipient of one grant from Focus on the Family and two grants from Pre-Born that provided three brand new ultrasound machines from Probo Medical.** In addition, Pre-Born has promised a third grant for Green Bay once a location to call home is found. Having the same machine in all locations will allow the work of our traveling medical team to be seamless and make it easier to trouble shoot issues when they arise.

Our present Appleton machine was gifted to us by our beloved Knights of Columbus. The sale of that machine will go directly back into ultrasound services which includes costly annual machine maintenance and staff training. Many thanks for the ongoing support of medical services by our local KOC Councils. They are truly amazing!

Medical Clinic Locations



Appleton

Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Location:

720 W. Association Drive,
Appleton, WI 54914



Oshkosh

Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Wednesday 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

Location:

1484 W. South Park Ave.,
Oshkosh, WI 54902



Fond du Lac

Hours:

Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Location:

207 N. Main St. Suite 1,
Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Life Sustainers Program



Become a **Life Sustainer** in 2025! Vida *Life Sustainers* are faithful, regular, recurring donors. The ongoing support from our *Life Sustainers* allows us to keep our services going, knowing we have the blessing of a consistent income we can depend on. *Life Sustainers* will receive special recognition in our annual Impact Report, an invitation to an annual coffee event with our Executive Director, a window cling to proudly display your support of Vida, and exclusive email updates so you can see the impact of your giving in real time! Become a *Life Sustainer* today at www.friendsofvida.org/life-sustainers.

Parent Support Services

Vida's Parent Support Services team launched an amazing new program in 2024 called Food and Fellowship. This monthly program served an average of 5-7 parents and their children per session. As the name suggests, Food and Fellowship provides Support Service clients with a nice home-cooked meal, an opportunity to socialize with other parents, and time spent in fellowship with older and well "seasoned" parents. There is simply no way to convey the value of this type of community building! Parents are very grateful to have the opportunity to share their struggles and challenges with others and to receive encouragement from parents who are further down the road in the parenting journey.

We are thrilled to report that Vida's 2024 Adopt-A-Family program was a huge success! We would not have been able to do it without the generous support of our Church Partners, as well as individual donors. Initially, we had 148 families sign up to receive Christmas gifts. However, due to the abundance of generous gifts and donations, we were able to bless an additional 34 families with Christmas gifts. In total, 182 families had presents under their trees to help create a Merry Christmas for their children. Each family received hats, gloves, and socks for each member of their family to stay warm during the cold winter months, along with a toy or book for each one of the kiddos. Thank you to each person who made it possible for Vida to bless those we have the honor of serving this past Christmas season!



Each Christmas season, Adopt-A-Family blesses many Support Services clients and their families.

Top Volunteer Needs

Parent Mentors (Men and Women)

Are you a parent who feels called to mentor new parents? If so, consider volunteering as a Parent Mentor. Here at Vida, mentors help parents learn about child development and discipline. They also provide positive encouragement to moms and dads, something we all need as parents! Being a Parent Mentor is a once-a-week or twice-a-month commitment.

Little Dear Boutique Volunteers

If you love to be organized, have amazing customer services skills, or enjoy sorting baby clothes and equipment, our Little Dear Boutique is the place for you! In our boutique, volunteers sort through donations, help parents with all their baby product needs, and create a welcoming environment for clients to shop. We need extra help on Mondays from 1-5 p.m. and Tuesdays from 3-6 p.m.

Childcare Volunteers

While parents are in their mentoring sessions, the kids love to play in our indoor childcare center. We have activities, books, and a playset for our volunteers and kids to interact in a healthy and safe environment. If you are blessed with the gift of working with kids, consider bringing your gift to Vida!

House Helpers

At our Trinity House, Vida's maternity home, we are always in need of volunteers to help watch the lovely babies, help our moms with an assortment of daily tasks, and so much more. If you have a heart for helping little ones and new moms, consider volunteering at our Trinity House.

Interested in one of these volunteer opportunities? Please contact Liv for more information.

Call: 920-955-3772 ext. 1009 | Email: olorbiecki@vidacares.org

Trinity House

The opening of Trinity House, Vida's maternity home, was a huge leap of faith. We have been stretched and have grown, in numbers and in faith. God has been so faithful, supplying our needs to allow us the capability of meeting the needs of those we have the honor of serving. Since opening, as a Trinity House Family, we have celebrated a high school graduation, resident birthdays, babies' birthdays, sobriety anniversaries, and holidays!

Many of our residents are working, attending school, or working in the W2 program. Some have gotten driver's licenses, bought cars, and several have successfully launched into their own apartments or moved home with family!

Through the generous support of our vast Vida Family, we have received the donation of a second vehicle, removed the siding on both houses, wrapped houses with the proper Tyvek house wrap, re-sided both houses, as well as stabilized the staffing pattern to best meet the needs of our beloved mommas and babies.

Your generous support is providing a warm, loving, Christ-centered place for, at the writing of this article, 9 moms, 1 four-year-old, 6 babies, and 3 babies on the way, to call home.



Some of our sweet babes at Trinity House.

Tribute Gifts

A gift was given to Vida by the following individuals:

In Honor Of: Baby Walter

From: Thomas and Susan Walter

In Honor Of: Jenny Holmes

From: Timothy Holmes

In Honor Of: Joan Neton

From: Michael Neton

In Honor Of: Our Grandchildren

From: Dr. David and Tia Duppler

In Honor Of: Sue Romzek

From: Chad and Tracy Romzek

In Honor Of: Rose and Treu Families

From: Craig Rose

In Honor Of: Momma Kim who continues to be a shining example of how to love and live for others

From: Emilie Bell

In Honor Of: Nathan and Taegan Grunwald

From: Eric and Cheryl Grunwald

In Memory Of: Genevieve Wallace

From: Anne Ritzman

In Memory Of: Richard Jedlicka

From: Jean Jedlicka

In Memory Of: Jean Mauthe

From: David Vetta

In Memory Of: Pearl Broeren

From: Kathy Sarconi

In Memory Of: Gail Kane

From: Dan and Rani Stangel

In Memory Of: Evangeline and Jowah

From: Michael and Tallulah Caulfield

In Memory Of: Karen K. Warden

From: Amy Perdomo

In Memory Of: Joe Neton

From: Michael Neton

In Memory Of: Louis and Florence Jansky

From: Mary Leitermann

In Memory Of: Becky Mader Dillenberg

From: Gray and Diane Mader, Corey and Becky Dillenberg Family, Curt and Brenda Mader Family, and Jason and Brooke Mader Family

In Memory Of: Lucille Wildenburg

From: Dave and Kay Goeser

2025 Vida Sponsorship Drive

The 2025 Vida Sponsorship Drive is underway! We need businesses, families, and individuals to step up early in the year, so we can promote your business at our events, on our website, and on all our of printed materials for the entirety of the calendar year. We are so thankful for our sponsors who come alongside us with their financial support. Become a Vida sponsor at www.friendsofvida.org/sponsors.

| Level | Amount | Benefits |
|-----------------|-------------------|---|
| Diamond | \$15,000+ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 - Foursomes, 8 wine tasting tickets • 8 banquet tickets (1 table) • Priority golf and wine tasting registration • Premier acknowledgment and marketing at event, throughout the year, and in Impact Report |
| Platinum | \$10,000-\$14,999 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 - Foursome, 4 wine tasting tickets • 8 banquet tickets (1 table) • Priority golf and wine tasting registration • Acknowledgment and marketing at event, throughout the year, and in Impact Report |
| Gold | \$5,000-\$9,999 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 - Foursome, 2 wine tasting tickets • 8 banquet tickets (1 table) • Priority golf and wine tasting registration • Acknowledgment and marketing at event, throughout the year, and in Impact Report |
| Silver | \$2,500-\$4,999 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 - Twosome, 2 wine tasting tickets • 4 banquet tickets • Priority golf and wine tasting registration • Acknowledgment and marketing at event, throughout the year, and Impact Report |
| Bronze | \$750-\$2,499 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 banquet tickets • Priority golf and wine tasting registration • Acknowledgment and marketing at event, throughout the year, and in Impact Report |
| Hole | \$250 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign at a hole at Chip In For Life 2025 and acknowledgement in Impact Report |

Vida Wins Carols for a Cause!



We had an amazing turnout for our caroling event!

We did it! Thanks to YOU, Vida won Carols for a Cause! Thank you to everyone who sang, voted, shared, and pestered friends to vote for Vida. We won with a record-breaking number of votes and received a \$15,000 grant from Thrivent Member Network - East Wisconsin & Upper Michigan Region.

Over 200 supporters joined us to sing a special Christmas Carol, Silent Night. It was a wonderful night of caroling, a live Nativity (with Baby Jesus being played by one of our very own Trinity House Babes), a petting corral with goats, and fellowship with our amazing Vida friends. If you missed our carol video, you can still watch it on Vida's YouTube or Facebook page.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for being part of something incredibly special this past holiday season.

Reserve Your Table

Together
for Life

April 24, 2025

Please join us for a night of prayer, worship, celebration, and stories of God's provision and Vida's impact on **Thursday, April 24**, at Hilton Appleton Paper Valley.

We are thrilled that **Pastor Brian Episcopo from Appleton Alliance Church**, one of Vida's 86 Church Partners, will be providing the Spiritual Reflection at the Prayer Service.

The evening will be filled with beautiful stories of God's grace and Vida's impact in some of the lives of our clients and residents. You will not want to miss this event!

Tickets prices are \$75 per person or 1 table of 8 for \$500. (**Ticket prices help us offset the cost of the venue and food**). Reserve your table today at www.friendsofvida.org/banquet.

Save the Date

September 15, 2025

Chip in For Life
golf outing

You won't want to miss these fun and popular events taking place on Monday, September 15, at Fox Valley Golf Club!

Chip in For Life
Wine Tasting

Priority registration is currently open to 2025 Vida Sponsors. Registration opens to the public on July 1. Spaces fill up quickly, so don't delay registering! Consider a Vida Sponsorship to qualify for priority registration. Find event information at www.friendsofvida.org/chip. We hope to see you there!

October 4, 2025

WALK
for Life

As Vida is expanding into the Oshkosh area, so is our fundraising and community involvement! Bella is passing the baton to Vida to continue the well-loved *Walk for Life*. *Walk for Life* will take place on Saturday, October 4, at Vida's future Oshkosh location on 1484 W. South Park Avenue. We are looking forward to joining our Oshkosh supporters for this fun morning of celebrating life-affirming services! Stay tuned for more details.

October 9, 2025

WALK
to Remember

Vida will once again host *Walk to Remember* during Pregnancy and Infant Loss Week on Thursday, October 9. *Walk to Remember* is a beautiful way to remember and honor children, grandchildren, loved ones and all those that have been lost through miscarriage, stillbirth, early infant/childhood death, abortion and other reproductive losses. Please consider joining us as we remember and honor those precious babes lost and support those struggling with a loss of a child.



Vida Inc.
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Our mission is to provide medical, mentoring, material, and maternity housing support to empower individuals to make life-affirming decisions.

Our vision is that our community will embrace a life-affirming culture that promotes and defends the God-given value of all human persons.

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