



**BIRTHRIGHT OF WINONA**

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Program Partner Name: Birthright Winona Chapter

Classification: Community

Federal I.D. # 36-3488228

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Our History: Birthright is a pro-life, free, non-profit, non-sectarian, international organization staffed by volunteers. Founded in 1968 by Mrs. Louise Summerhill, Birthright was established as an emergency pregnancy service. Louise had a strong passion for recognizing the suffering and despair of women in crisis pregnancies.

Our Guiding Principal:

“It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every baby to be born.”

Our Mission:

- To uphold at all times, that every pregnant woman deserves whatever help is needed to bring her child to term.
- To attempt to effect in every possible way a decrease in the number of abortions by encouraging pregnant women to have their babies, that is to offer the alternative to abortion.
- To maintain a crisis center where any pregnant woman, wed or unwed, may find help as near as the telephone 24 hours per day.
- To create and maintain in society an awareness of the needs of pregnant women, and to encourage a more humane understanding of her and her problems.
- To offer person to person help, and give love, understanding, and all needed emotional and practical support to every woman who requests it.

Services:

Free pregnancy tests

Dedicated volunteers to work with the women

Confidentiality

Referrals to community services, resources and professional agencies

Pregnancy and adoption information

Maternity and baby clothes for those who qualify

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