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Dear Friend of Birthright,

I am writing to ask you for a financial contribution to help us with the important work of Birthright of Harford County. This annual fund drive supports our operating budget for the coming year. Birthright has been assisting pregnant women in Harford and the surrounding counties for more than 39 years.

The cost of operating our organization is approximately \$85,000 per year. Effective cost control measures are in place to insure that all dollars spent are used to directly support our mission. This includes normal operating costs such as rent, telephone, supplies and training, as well as advertising to get out our name in the community.

Birthright is comprised of many volunteers who donate their time to answer the phones, counsel the men and women who come to us, sort and distribute material donations, clean the office, send out mailings, speak to the public, and perform many other tasks which are not seen. All these hours are given in a commitment of love for life and our community.

The results of this effort are 351 clients we met this year and 56 children who were born through that assistance.

We are helping. We are making a difference. We are a light in the darkness of crisis. Here is what one client had to say: ***Throughout my pregnancy Birthright has truly been a blessing. Without you and your kind heart, I don't think I would have made it as far as I have. You have helped me every step of the way. You are like a Guardian Angel sent to me. Thank you for being there.***

Birthright receives all of its funding from private contributions and a few local churches. We do not receive any state or federal money. Even though Birthright is an international organization, we are responsible for our own support.

Please consider a contribution to birthright at this time – It can and does make a difference. We have enclosed a self addressed envelope for your convenience and as always your contribution is tax deductible.

Thank you for your friendship, support, and prayers. I hope that you have a Blessed and Merry Christmas.

Carol Maglov, Director