

Our Mission

Good Counsel is a family for those in need, serving God who is the Father of the Orphan, defender of the widow, and who gives the lonely a home to live in (Psalm 68).

Our Lord's call to serve the disadvantaged compels us to offer love, shelter, and the opportunity to grow in self-respect and independence.

We invoke the patronage of Mary, Our Lady of Good Counsel, to help us protect mothers in need and to love their children from the moment of conception.

PostAbortionHelp.org

Knowing that countless women, men, parents, grandparents, and siblings suffer from the effects of abortion, Good Counsel began Lumina, a healing outreach and referral service.

Throughout the year Lumina offers retreats, healing services, and assist individuals coping with the post traumatic effects of an abortion experience. Toll-free confidential Lumina Line: **877-586-4621**. Email: Lumina@PostAbortionHelp.org



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Email Questions:

Help@GoodCounselHomes.org

24/7 Good Counsel HelpLine:
800-723-8331

In Our 30 Years:

We have assisted more than 6,500 women and children in our homes.

Helped open residences in 8 different states.

Received crisis pregnancy calls and emails from nearly all 50 states.

Good Counsel Homes Located in:

- Bronx, New York
- Harrison, New York
- Riverside, New Jersey
- Spring Valley, New York
- Coming soon to Staten Island, New York



30
YEARS
1985-2015

Good Counsel Homes
Every Life Is A Pearl of Great Price

Homes & Hope for Babies and Moms



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Celebrating 30 Years of Life

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Home

About Us

Good Counsel was born March 10, 1985 when co-founders Christopher Bell and Father Benedict Groeschel, CFR, renovated an empty convent in Hoboken, New Jersey and began welcoming homeless, pregnant women and their children.



Over the next three decades, Good Counsel would open homes in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut, spinning off the Connecticut home, which is still open today. Additionally, Good

Counsel assisted opening similar homes in eight other states. Today, Good Counsel directly operates four residences, a post residence program, a 24/7 national helpline, a national post abortion help ministry, and more.



Our Services

Charlene's Story

The crisis pregnancy which often brings a woman to Good Counsel may be just the tip of the iceberg for all of the assistance she may need.

Life Skills Programs such as: Self Assessment Program, Nutrition, Parenting, Prenatal Care, Career Development, Health/Grooming, AIDS Education, and Chastity are all presented by staff or volunteers in a positive learning environment.

This helps each mother learn to become the best parent possible and helps move her toward the goal of being self-sufficient

Charlene was from Atlantic City, New Jersey and ever since she was seven, had bounced around from one foster family to another. She cannot remember ever being in a stable family setting.

At 21, she thought she found a man who would love her. But, after becoming pregnant, Charlene was abandoned because she would not agree to have an abortion. Left on her own on the streets, a friend told her about Good Counsel where she was welcomed right away following a short intake call on our 24-hour helpline: 800-723-8331.

Charlene is working hard and learning what healthy motherhood is all about. She is eating properly and looks forward to the birth of her son.



Support

Get Involved

Good Counsel is a non-profit 501 (c)3 organization that keeps its doors open due to the generous support of donors and volunteers. We do not rely on the government to run our programs.

Donations are tax-deductible and may be contributed online: **GoodCounselHomes.org**

For stock donations and information about bequests, contact Silvana at **201-795-0637** or **Silvana_Cowden@GoodCounselHomes.org**

You may call in a credit card gift during weekday business hours: **201-795-0637**

You may also mail in a check to: **Good Counsel, PO Box 6068, Hoboken, NJ 07030**

Volunteers are the backbone of many organizations and at Good Counsel there are many ways to help.

Here are just a few examples:

- Teach a Life Skill Class
- Baby sit inside a home
- Organize a Baby Shower or Diaper Drive
- Participate in a fundraising event
- Lead a Bible Study
- Conduct a Baby Bottle Coin Drive at your church

We hope to start a lay volunteer prayer community who would dedicate one year of service.

To inquire about these or any other ideas you may have email us at: **Help@GoodCounselHomes.org**

