

Knights of Columbus Council St John Paul II donates ultrasound machine to new pregnancy center

Knights of Columbus Council St John Paul II Council 16492 was the lead funder of an ultrasound machine for the Mayfair Women's Clinic, a faith-based pregnancy center in Jacksonville. The council and Florida K of C Supreme each contributed \$15,000 for the machine. Additional Councils of Coastal Laps for Life collectively contributed another \$3,000 for the ultrasound machine.

Mayfair Women's Clinic will use the new ultrasound machine to perform scans for pregnant women. "Ultrasound machines are critical to our work. Nothing is more convincing than the sound of that tiny heartbeat yearning for life," Executive Director Jeanette Ghioto said.

Of those planning on abortion, 86% will reverse that decision and choose to deliver the baby, either to raise it or give it up for adoption, according to Paul Gloekler, co-director of Coastal Laps for Life, who was instrumental in handling all the details for the donation of the ultrasound machine. The pregnancy center has also received a donation of a used machine from a donor, for a total of two machines.

Mayfair Women's Clinic embarked on its mission of rescuing lives by providing hope, compassion, and direction for pregnant women in crisis in December 2021. It has since been organizing and preparing plans to renovate its new facility at 1611 Mayfair Road.

The 8,000-square-foot building is being purchased and renovated to the center's specifications by an anonymous donor who will provide the building to the clinic rent-free. The center will have three ultrasound rooms, three consultation rooms and a chapel in addition to training and administrative offices. The center is seeking volunteers to help staff the clinic.

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