

Just the Facts...



The Nazareth Home

Established: April 1993

- 🔗 A ministry of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ
- 🔗 Responding to the increasing need for foster care for medically compromised children
- 🔗 Children are Wards-of-the-Court, Indiana Department of Child Services, Lake County
- 🔗 Babies are often very low birth weight and may have compromised immune systems
- 🔗 Often require advanced medical monitoring equipment for survival
- 🔗 Director, live-in Foster Mother, plus full time and part-time staff provided 24/7

Over 200 Babies and children served to date

- 🔗 A nurturing environment during the “rough” spots in their young lives
- 🔗 Specialized care for medically compromised babies
- 🔗 Care provided is critical to physical, spiritual and emotional development
- 🔗 Nazareth Home offers a level of care that is not available in traditional settings

Children Return to Rehabilitated Parents or family members:

- 🔗 Sometimes a family needs additional support before they are able to meet the challenges of parenting
- 🔗 Children are stabilized and gradually achieve normal early childhood development goals
- 🔗 Babies are reunited to a healthy home environment where they can now thrive

Adoptive or Other Placements:

- 🔗 All children have the right to physical care and educational and emotional nurturance
- 🔗 Caring individuals provide a safe and nurturing home environment
- 🔗 Family plays an important role in the treatment plan for a child and family
- 🔗 When returning to their biological family is not possible, Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) places children with caring families in adoptive homes that are Indiana DCS licensed foster parents
- 🔗 Adoptive families are anxious to open their homes and their hearts to the needs of a child in need of the love and nurturing in a warm home environment

Licensed Capacity: 5

- 🔗 The exceptional care received at Nazareth Home is directly responsible for later normal functioning levels in Nazareth Home babies

How Can You Help?

- 🔗 Share the message, invite family and friends to join you in supporting Nazareth Home
- 🔗 Does your workplace match donations
- 🔗 Host a “Nazareth Home Baby Shower”
- 🔗 Include Nazareth Home in your will or trust
- 🔗 Become a Nazareth volunteer or “cuddler”
- 🔗 Invite a Nazareth Home speaker to your club or organization