



# Share

Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support

## IMPACT REPORT

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touching *lives*... healing *hearts*... giving *hope*...

Here at Share, we want you to know we see you. We see your immeasurable heartache, your outpouring of love and grief for your baby, and your courageous steps toward healing after your loss. We are here to help, with support, resources, and information. We are here to listen. You are not alone.

**We can help.**

# About US

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It was through the life and death of one precious little girl, Anna Marie, who was stillborn in St. John's Hospital in Springfield, IL. Due to the insistent urging of this bereaved young family, Sister Jane Marie Lamb, OSF began Share. Within four months, the first support group met, and Share grew greatly under Sr. Jane's leadership and endless dedication.



## OUR MISSION

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The mission of Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc. is to serve those whose lives are touched by the tragic death of a baby through pregnancy loss, stillbirth, or in the first few months of life.

## OUR VISION

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To provide support toward positive resolution of grief experienced at the time of, or following the death of a baby. This support encompasses emotional, physical, spiritual and social healing, as well as sustaining the family unit.

To provide information, education, and resources on the needs and rights of bereaved parents and siblings. The objective is to aid those in the community, including family, friends, employers, members of the congregation, caregivers, professionals, and others in a supportive role.

# Our WORK

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## SUPPORT

Everyone experiences grief in their own way. We help families process their grief in a way that feels comfortable to them.



## REMEMBRANCE

The national Share office hosts 10 free memorial events a year. We understand families need to continue to love, honor, and remember their baby.



## EDUCATION

Share provides comprehensive perinatal bereavement care training for caregivers, healthcare professionals, Funeral Directors, bereaved families, Share Chapter leaders, and other caregivers.



# Our WORK

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## COMFORT KITS AND SIBLING BAGS

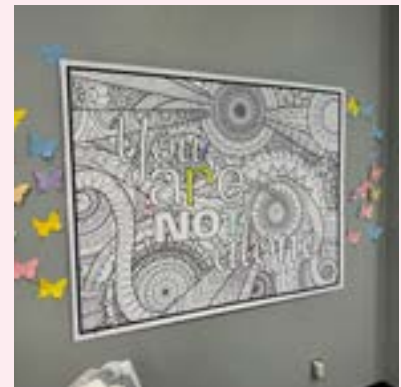
Share provides comfort kits to families who have experienced a loss to provide hope and healing during the darkest days. These special boxes are available at burials, support groups and other Share events. The sibling bags are designed to help children cope with the loss of a brother or sister.



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## OUR COMFORT ROOM

The care that bereaved parents receive following the death of their baby is crucial. These experiences may stay with parents for the rest of their lives, and the environment in which care is provided is especially important. **Share Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support, Inc. is the only organization in the St. Louis area that provides a comfort room for parents grieving the loss of their baby.** The new Share office has become a place and space deliberately carved out for families to freely mourn and show their grief.



# Our IMPACT

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- 47 — years of service
- 4127 — families supported
- 227 — caregivers trained
- 7 — support groups each month
- 45,000 — brochures and booklets sent around the country
- 43 — states and 11 countries served
- 104 — volunteers
- 85 — Chapters in 29 states
- 10 — memorial events
- 18 — different brochures

## 23-24 HIGHLIGHTS

Share moved locations after 30 years.

Developed a self-care mobile app.

Share hosted 1st annual puzzle event.

Colorstreet Nails gifted Share \$30,000.

Created a comfort room for grieving families.

Voted best nonprofit in St. Charles County by Community News.

Hosted a yoga, intensati, journaling class, boxing therapy and a wellness day.

Share traveled to New York City to meet with the NYPD



# Thank YOU!

**We are grateful for the people in our community who make Share a comfortable, loving place for bereaved families.**

Thank you for sharing your hearts. Thank you for giving. Thank you for recognizing the importance of supporting families who have lost not only their baby, but also their hopes and dreams. Thank you for showing them that you care.

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