

Ways to Get Involved

There are many ways to get your church, ministry, school or group involved in the 40 Days for Life Baton Rouge campaign, but here are a few specific ways. Sign up for email updates online to stay informed about the campaign and other activities that will help you make a maximum impact in your community.

- Prayer and Fasting to End Abortion: Prayer and fasting to end abortion is the foundation of this campaign. We encourage groups and individuals to join in daily prayer to end abortion. We also ask individuals and congregations to discern how they can appropriately fast during the 40 Days. Fasting is a sacrifice that helps us reach beyond our own limitations with God's help by offering up something in your life for an end to abortion (i.e., food, T.V., etc.). Here are some ways your group can be involved in this aspect:
 - Regular Prayer: At every church service, school day, or group meeting, say the "Prayer to End Abortion" that we will provide on our 40 Days for Life Baton Rouge prayer cards.
 - Encourage Individual and Family Prayer: Arrange with the campaign team to get 40 Days for Life Prayer Cards and distribute them to the congregation to foster daily prayer to end abortion. The prayer cards will be used at the vigil site, but you are encouraged to purchase a large number of these cards to distribute to your church, school, or group. Price ratio is \$40 for 1000 cards.
 - **Night Prayer**: Since our campaign will not hold its vigil round-the-clock, we hope churches will hold all night prayer vigils for an end to abortion.
- Peaceful and Prayerful Vigil- The most visible component of 40 Days for Life is the 40-day, 12 hour-a-day peaceful and prayerful vigil at the Delta Clinic abortion facility in Baton Rouge. People in your church, ministry, school or group who sign up for a vigil hour and pray for the first time at the abortion facility may truly experience an awakening in their hearts to the reality of abortion, and be encouraged to become active pro-lifers. ***We encourage you to print and copy the PDF resources provided to assist in conducting sign-ups after a gathering in your community. Please note that every person who signs up for a vigil hour MUST agree to the Statement of Peace (found with PDF resources). Take one of the following methods to build up the vigil that will go from 7 AM 7 PM:
 - **Adopt-a-Day** Through working with the campaign team, choose a date within the 40 days that your group would "adopt," meaning your group would be responsible to have 2-3 people present at all 12 hours.
 - Adopt-an-Hour- Through working with the campaign team, "adopt" a hour within the 12 hours that your group would be responsible for across the board, meaning that if you chose 3 PM, your group would be responsible for having 2-3 people at the vigil every day at 3 PM. People could repeat their hours each week.

• **Individual hours**- If you do not choose to do one of the above (the above are preferable), then please get the vigil schedule from the campaign team and sign up individuals for vigil hours.

To adopt days and hours you may either:

- Sign-up online. Go to <u>www.40DaysforLifeBR.com</u> to see the online vigil calendar and to register.
- Contact the campaign office. Please contact us to help you register your group or yourself for vigil hours at (225) 242-0135 or 40daysforlifebr@gmail.com.
- Community Outreach- By taking the pro-life message to our city through targeted community outreach, we can spread the message of life to new people. This also includes the events of the campaign which are mentioned also. We have not firmed up dates and times for some of the community outreach activities, so please stay tuned via email or call our office.
 - Cast the Vision Gathering: August 25th @ 6:00 PM, St. Luke's Episcopal Church
 - **General Information Mtg**: September 17th @ TBA, St. Luke's Episcopal Church
 - Kick-Off Rally: September 27th @ 7:00 PM, St. Luke's Episcopal Church
 - **Neighborhood Outreach:** Educating neighborhoods on abortion and presence of local abortion facility
 - Mid-way Campaign Event-TBA
 - Closing Celebration-TBA
 - Please stay tuned to email list and www.40DaysForLifeBR.com for all info!
- Resources: The following PDF documents are available online for download, print, and copy at www.40DaysForLifeBR.com/pdfresources.
 - <u>Statement of Peace</u>- The principles of our campaign that everyone must agree with to participate (also, the Baton Rouge City Police Department is fully aware of this campaign and has no problems with it). (** If you are participating with a church, ministry, school or group, you will sign the <u>Vigil Sign-Up Sheet</u> that includes the Statement of Peace.)
 - Flyers- Print on 8.5 x 11 sheet, then cut for two flyers (Prints in B/W and color).
 - <u>Posters</u>- We have on hand large (11x17) posters that can hang in the vestibule of your church or in another place that has high foot traffic. Contact the campaign office to get a copy.
 - **Prayer Cards-** see section on front of this paper regarding prayer.

For Churches, Ministries, Schools and Groups:

- **Bulletin Insert and Pulpit Announcement** Use in your church.
- <u>Vigil Sign-Up Sheet</u>- The church or group keeps this sheet for their records and gives a copy to the Campaign Team.
- <u>Vigil Reminder Sheet</u>- After sign-up, give this sheet to the participant to help them remember their reserved date(s) and hour(s).