



Ladies of Charity of Chattanooga

Stories of those we serve

*Serving the needy
of our community
in a spirit of faith,
humility & simplicity.*

The Ladies of Charity of Chattanooga are dedicated to helping people in crisis — those who would otherwise fall through the cracks in our affluent society. This is why our members contribute and why our volunteers show up on schedule to make our Greater Good Thrift Store thrive. Our store generates much of the funding that allows us to help our neighbors. Please help us in turn by volunteering and/or by donating materially and financially to our work. We, as a community, cannot tell neighbors “no” when their need is real.

Lily’s Story:

Welcoming a new life...and sparking a young mother’s dream

Lily was seventeen years old. She joined the rank of high school dropouts after learning she was pregnant. When Lily’s single mom learned of her pregnancy, she gave Lily the option of having an abortion or finding somewhere else to live.

Lily chose to have her baby. She was referred to a local program that partners with Ladies of Charity of Chattanooga in assisting needy mothers-to-be. When Lily’s baby arrived — a healthy 8-pound daughter — we were proud to provide the new little family with a beautiful layette packed with everything the baby would need for her first three months of life, including a pretty wicker basket that served as a bassinette for Lily’s newborn daughter.

The LOCC volunteers who hand-sew layette items and put together the baskets we provide to new mothers were proud to give Lily’s baby a beautiful welcome to the world. They were especially excited to learn that Lily herself is now taking GED classes and says she wants to be a social worker someday.