



# **Caritas Family Solutions Raises \$13,853 on Giving Tuesday**

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BELLEVILLE – Caritas Family Solutions, a nonprofit social services agency focused on strengthening the well-being of individuals and families, raised \$13,853 on Giving Tuesday thanks to the generosity of its supporters and a matching donation from Performance Roofing Inc. The proceeds will benefit Caritas' Fontebella Maternity Home which provides pregnant women facing homelessness with a safe place to live.

“Giving Tuesday is an excellent opportunity for us to educate the community about what Fontebella does and how it is making a difference in the lives of women and children,” said Caritas Family Solutions CEO, Gary Huelsmann. “Over the past year, we’ve provided eight women who were homeless, and their babies, with a safe place to live and empowered them with resources to have a healthy pregnancy. Fontebella receives no government funding and is supported solely by donor contributions so these donations make a tremendous impact.”

This is the second year in a row that Performance Roofing Inc. has joined Caritas Family Solutions in raising funds and awareness for the Fontebella Maternity Home during Giving Tuesday. Performance Roofing Inc. pledged a match of \$5,000 for all donations for the day of giving.

The only one of its kind in Southern Illinois, Caritas Family Solutions' Fontebella Maternity Home empowers women who are homeless and facing an unplanned pregnancy by providing them a safe place to live along with the resources and support they need to become independent women and moms.

Founded in 1947, Caritas Family Solutions is a nonprofit social service agency whose mission is to strengthen the social and emotional well-being of individuals and families in order to create healthy relationships, loving homes, and strong communities. Services include adoption, pregnancy care, foster care, counseling, residential treatment for children healing from abuse and/or neglect, multisystemic therapy for at-risk youth,

independent living for adults with developmental disabilities, and assisted living and employment assistance for low-income seniors. Caritas serves more than 4,500 individuals annually across Southern Illinois from offices located in Belleville, Carterville, Mount Vernon, Olney, East Alton, and Effingham. For additional information, visit [www.caritasfamilysolutions.org](http://www.caritasfamilysolutions.org).