



As many of you may know, in 2005 we lost our daughter Maggie to Trisomy 13, a serious and often fatal genetic defect. Maggie lived for only four hours after she was born. This baby was an absolute gift...she was such an incredible little person and gave rise to so much goodness!

In her memory, our family established the *Maggie Rose Perinatal Bereavement Program* (known as Maggie's Program) to make a difference for families like ours. Offered through the [Bereavement Center of Westchester](#), this program was established to provide support to families facing an adverse prenatal diagnosis, infant death, stillbirth, or pregnancy loss at any stage, regardless of their financial circumstances.

On June 28th, our Maggie would have been 18 – what a milestone! I can hardly believe so much time has passed since we held her in our arms. We miss her and I imagine our family will always feel a bit incomplete – *I know you know what I mean*. As Maggie's mother, I know, firsthand, how deeply painful perinatal loss is and so we feel grateful that the grief support model that Marianne Walsh developed in her work with our family has gone on to help so many other people.

Thanks to the generosity of so many, Maggie's Program has evolved into one of the premier programs of its type. However, recently, financial constraints have compelled the [BCW](#) to request payment for participation – which is a barrier to access for so many. For this reason, **I am personally asking you to consider joining me to make a tax-deductible donation to offset operating costs and return the program to its free status.**

With love and solidarity,

*We are so grateful!! Thank you!*

Alessandra Rose (Maggie's mom)

PS Some ideas are included to get you thinking, but honestly, ANY AMOUNT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

**TO GET YOU THINKING.... A gift of...**

\$100	\$250	\$500	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$5,000
Offset the costs of materials, supplies, and preparation for counseling sessions	Support a month's worth of individual counseling sessions	Provide group sessions for two full months	Sponsor a woman/family to participate in all aspects of Maggie's program for six months	Sponsor a woman/family to participate in all aspects of Maggie's program for a full year	Sponsor a family to participate in Maggie's Program, as well as the Tree House for grieving siblings for one full year

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