LUDLOW BLESSES 29TH BABY BOX IN KENTUCKY

- The Safe Haven Baby Boxes organization is leading the nation by providing a safety net for mother's in crisis who are seeking to protect their infant and their identity. We know that anonymous surrender protects both mothers and their infants and prevents illegal abandonment. We are never sure when a Baby Box may need to be used but by providing the resource we are prepared to serve the vulnerable.
- Our organization offers a Safe Haven National Crisis Hotline (1-866-99BABY1) available 24/7/365. The hotline offers counseling services to a parent who is unable or unwilling to care for their newborn. If mothers in crisis are unsure of their state's Safe Haven Law our National Hotline can provide them with all the information they need to know to move forward if they are unable to parent.
- Baby Amelia's footprint is featured in Safe Haven Baby Boxes' logo in honor of her legacy. On December 28, 2014 Baby Amelia was found abandoned and deceased in Eagle Creek Park in Indianapolis. She is the last infant found illegally abandoned and deceased in Indiana. Her footprint is motivation to ensure no more infants suffer the same fate due to abandonment.
- Safe Haven Baby Boxes are equipped with silent alarm systems to immediately notify 911 that there is a baby in the Safe Haven Baby Box. Safe Haven Baby Boxes feature climate control through heating and cooling features ensuring the infant will be comfortable. Once the infant is placed inside the Baby Box the exterior door locks until the first responders arrive within five minutes.
- Education is critical to the mission of Safe Haven Baby Boxes to end infant abandonment. Safe Haven Baby Boxes offers an educational training video for schools tailored to teach students about the Safe Haven Laws and what options are available. If your school is interested, please email us at <u>shbb@safehavenbabyboxes.com.</u>

- Safe Haven Baby Boxes educates citizens about the Safe Haven Law through social media. TikTok is a major platform for reaching youth and educating them on how our Baby Boxes work along with other resources our organization provides like our hotline.
- Newborns surrendered under the Safe Haven Law are placed with their forever families within 30-45 days. Babies like Ollie, who was a Safe Haven Baby Box baby, are blessed with a forever family thanks to a birth parent's brave decision to keep their child safe.

