



The Empowerment Project

ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH

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A Note from AG Lynn Fitch

What a year! Looking back at all we have accomplished, it is hard to believe The Empowerment Project launched less than 12 months ago. I am incredibly proud of how we worked together with the Mississippi State Legislature to enact 10 different legislative solutions, gathered donations for dozens of pregnancy resources centers to celebrate the Dobbs anniversary and reached more than 6,000 women and families through the MAMA program. I've said it time and again, but it bears repeating: this is just the beginning. In fact, after the launch of MAMA in October, an additional 100 resources have been added to the [service directory](#).

As we enter the new year, let these milestones serve as inspiration and intention, remembering the incredible impact we can make when we commit to empowering women and families. In addition to pursuing more legislative solutions in Mississippi next year, it is my hope to work together with other states to enact similar programs. Will you join me in making this a reality?

For more information on how you can get involved, visit [The Empowerment Project](#) or email us at empowermentproject@ago.ms.gov.

May God Bless You,



WHAT WE'RE READING

[Pregnancy Help News: Pregnancy resource centers expand in response to Dobbs](#)

A nationwide survey of 2,750 pro-life pregnancy resource centers (PRCs) found that their services reached an all-time high in 2022, the first full calendar year

after Dobbs v. Jackson....

...The survey, produced by the Charlotte Lozier Institute in collaboration with various PRCs, found that 974,965 people received PRC services in 2022. This represents significant growth since prior versions of the survey in 2009, 2011, 2018, and 2020.

Madison County Journal: \$25k Raised for Baby Box

A drop-off box for unwanted newborns is being installed in the new Gluckstadt Police Department and Court Services building currently under construction on Gluckstadt Way...

...The cost of the box was raised by private donations. On Dec. 13, the city announced on Facebook they had raised the \$25,000.

Hattiesburg American: Nine families grew by 13 members at Mississippi mass adoption ceremony in Hattiesburg

Monday was a day of celebration for nine families who welcomed 13 new members through a mass adoption ceremony at Forrest County Courthouse in Hattiesburg.

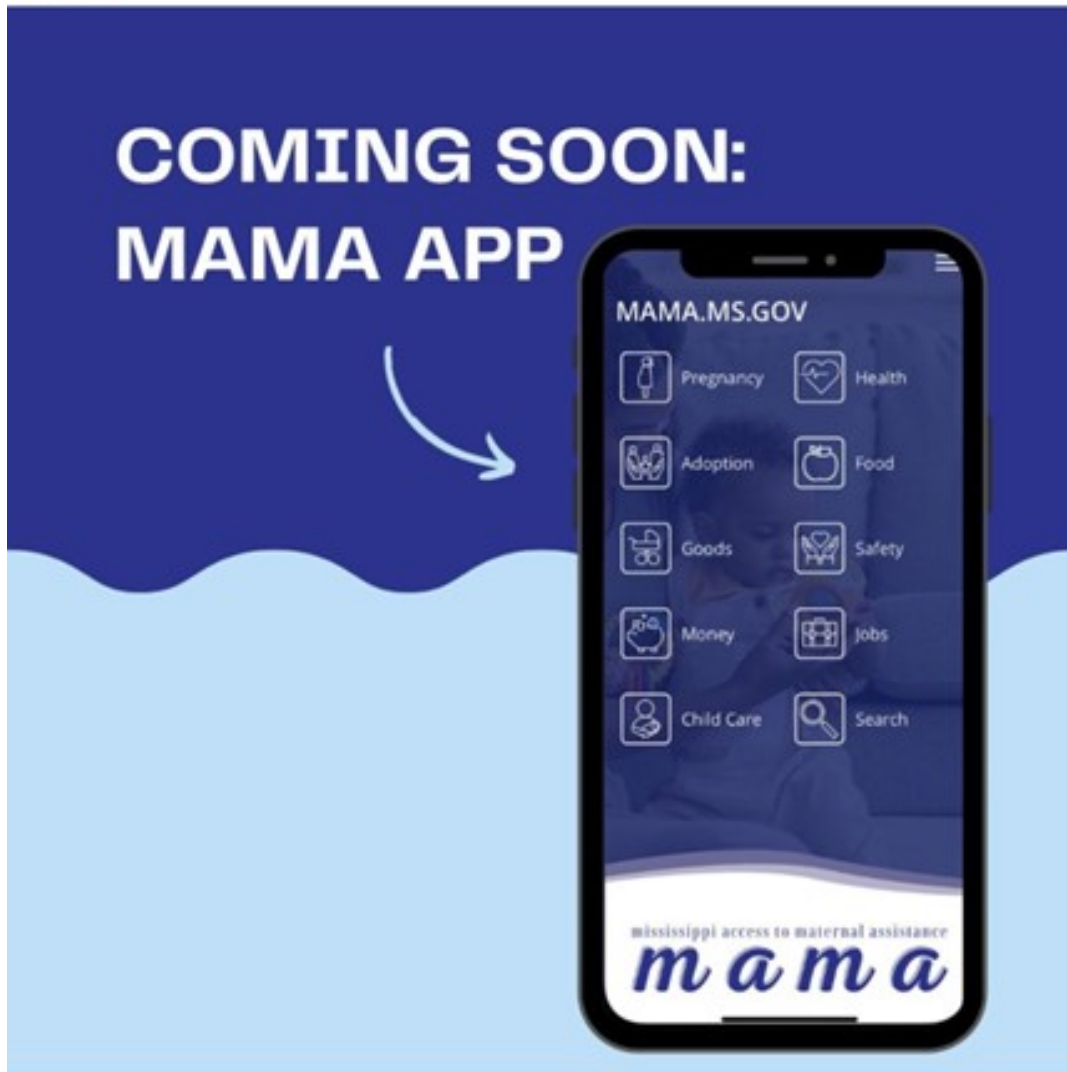
The ceremony was a joint venture between the Mississippi Department of Child Protection Services, Forrest County Youth Court and Forrest County Chancery Court.

The adoptions were finalized this month so the children could be "Home for the Holidays," the theme for this year's event.

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ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH IN THE NEWS

WJTV: One Pill Can Kill Initiative Underway at Southern Miss

“With counterfeit pills becoming increasingly common in Mississippi, it is vital that we pool our energy and resources to fight back,” **said Fitch**. “I am grateful for the University of Southern Mississippi’s willingness to partner with my office to educate, support, and empower the University community with information on the dangers of fentanyl, how to identify it, and what to do if a student or friend is overdosing.”

WLBT: 12 Victims recovered, 1 arrested after human trafficking operation in Jackson

“I am grateful for my team of dedicated investigators and prosecutors who show up every day to find and rescue victims of human trafficking,” **said General Fitch**. “It is our mission to stop and hold predators accountable, but even more so, it is our deep desire to show victims, like these 12, their value and inherent dignity. And so, our work does not stop today. We stand ready and willing to walk alongside these survivors on their journey to find healing.”

WAPT: Christmas tree honors victims of crime

"We are here for you. We'll always be here to help you on your journey, and we will never forget those that have been lost and taken from us way too early and too wrongfully taken, and I know this is a very tough season," **Fitch said**.

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