

Our mom Alejandra and her baby (shown)

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"I can do things you cannot do,  
and you can do things that I cannot do;  
but **TOGETHER** we can  
do great things."

~ Saint Teresa of Calcutta

## GREY SAVED ...THANKS TO YOU!

Cicily had only one year left in graduate school. Tears flowed as she told our counselor, "I am terrified." Abortion seemed like her only choice.

Here she says, "I didn't feel judged or pushed to make a decision." But during her ultrasound, she knew. "I could not go through with the abortion." She says she started thinking practically. "Not all the negatives."

Cicily graduated with her master's degree just a month after having baby Grey. She says, "I can't imagine my life without him."

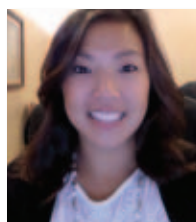
The first grandchild, Grey is adored by Cicily's mom who "loves him to pieces and sees him every day."



Cicily's baby Grey



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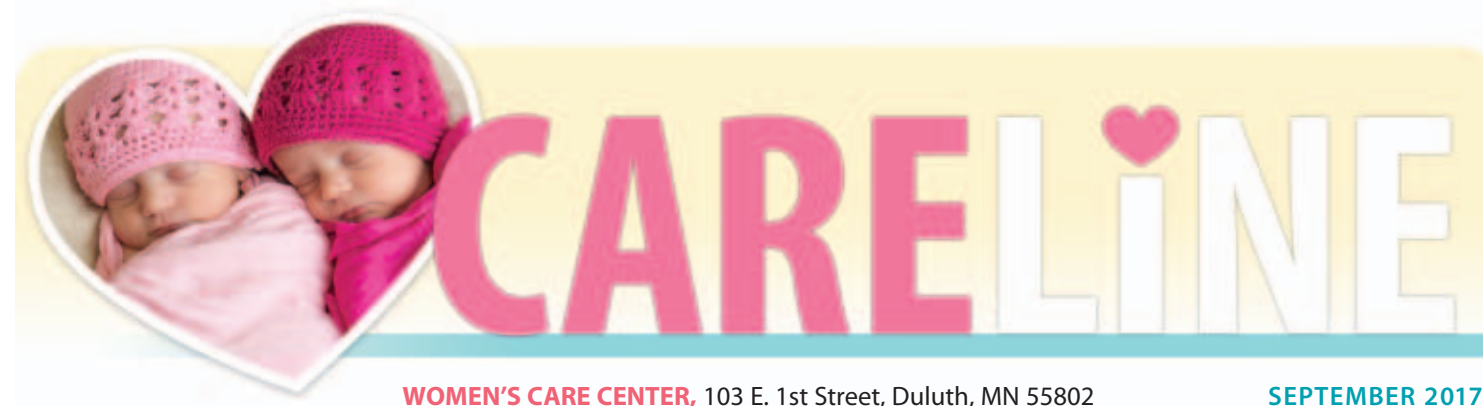
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## FINDING HER VOCATION THROUGH ADOPTION



Birthmother Kelsey and Graham. Kelsey has an open adoption and gets visits with her baby.



Today, Kelsey is **Director of Marketing** for a large adoption agency and an avid proponent of adoption.

But back in 2015, Kelsey was sitting in a counseling room at Women's Care Center facing an unplanned pregnancy. She had googled "Someone to talk to about abortion," and our center was first to show up.

"The people at Women's Care Center were warm, loving and non-judgmental. I bonded with my counselor who encouraged me to talk to my mom." Opening up to her mother was the best thing. **Her mom became her #1 supporter, and Kelsey chose adoption.** She says adoption is "worth every ache in my chest, and I would not hesitate to do it all over again."

Her adoption work brought her back to the counselor who helped her so much two years ago. They talked for hours, like old friends, with joyful tears. Kelsey says, "I am so honored she remembered me."

## A RIPPLE EFFECT

Thanks to donors like you, **counselors like Kelsey's just LOVE.**

This creates an environment that empowers a young woman to make a decision about her pregnancy rooted in her own goodness, strength and beliefs. **And a decision for life leads to so many other good decisions.**

This newsletter is dedicated to sharing with you some of the miracles we witness that emanate from this most important decision for life.

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— Kelsey (story above)

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**YOU** create a Ripple Effect...

## NEW LITTLE SPORTS FAN

Nervous is the best way to describe Alyssa when she first came to our center. Like many new moms, she worried — *what if she made mistakes?* Thankfully, because of your support, Alyssa was able to gain confidence and realize she was already thinking like a mother. And choosing life was her first selfless act.

Over the next few months, expectant parents Alyssa and Preston faithfully attended baby basics and parenting classes. And when the ultrasound showed they were having a boy, Preston beamed with joy. A sports fan, he was already visualizing game days shared with his son. Baby Liam was born on St. Patrick's Day.



Alyssa's baby Liam

## DO YOU REMEMBER?

It's been four years since you helped us open our Women's Care Center in downtown Duluth. **You may be surprised to learn that over 2,000 women have already been served here.** There was clearly a need for this life-affirming service. We thought you might enjoy seeing some of our babies growing up.

- One of our first babies born, "Little Miss Elena", just celebrated her 4th birthday! She loves to stop by our center to say "Hi" and strike a few poses for our camera. Her mom still enjoys coming by to learn things from our counselors.



Our first triplets

- You may remember Zeke, Zachariah and Cayden. Born last August, these boys just celebrated their 1st birthday in August. Mom Krystal says the experience "strengthened her faith" and is so grateful to our center and **donors like you.**

## UpNORTH Night4Life 2017

**SAVE  
THE DATE!**

Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for our upcoming fundraiser on **October 17, 2017.**



**THEN AND  
NOW**

Elena then and  
Elena now



*This is  
one of your  
babies!*



Baby Logan

...a decision for **LIFE** that leads to so many other good decisions!

## FAMILY MAKES ROOM FOR BABY

With Savvoy studying for her nursing degree and three children already at home, she and Daron had all they could handle. Both were also working to support their family. The pregnancy had them reeling and feeling that abortion was the only way out.

But here, this hard-working couple found confidence to follow their hearts and choose life for baby Kharsen. Savvoy found practical help in our parenting classes and Crib Club. Daron joined her on some visits, attending Strong Fathers class while Savvoy worked on goals.

**YOU** help couples like this overcome panic and open their hearts to another baby.



Daron and son  
Kharsen



Sindia's baby Melanie in her pink hat!

## HATS...BLUE OR PINK?

Sindia asked, "The hat is pink, so am I having a baby girl?" Every new mom at Women's Care Center gets a little gift for their baby from our counselors. Sindia's was a pink hat.

Her counselor laughingly responded, "I am not 100% sure, but many women have come back to tell me that I picked the right one." She was right again, and baby Melanie was born in March. The first thing Sindia said after having her new baby girl was, "Where is that pink hat? I need to put it on my baby!"

## NEXT DOOR SAVES LIVES

Christina\* sat paralyzed in the parking lot of the abortion clinic unable to go in for her abortion. She walked over to our center next door in tears and told the counselor who met her at the door, **"My boyfriend wants me to have an abortion."**

For the first time in her pregnancy, **Christina felt listened to. Supported. Loved.** She was also able to see her tiny baby on our ultrasound and find the confidence to choose life.

Today, Christina smiles down at her new baby, filled with gratitude.

\*name changed for confidentiality



Christina's baby

**THANKS TO YOU,**

Christina is just one of many moms who found hope in our pink sign.