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Brittany's baby Brady



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## "IF I DIDN'T HAVE YOU, I DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED..."

A year ago, Christina was in her second year of medical school and Charles was just starting his career. Both were from close-knit Christian families. They thought news of her pregnancy would crush their parents. Although it went against their beliefs, Christina scheduled an abortion.

But at Women's Care Center, *thanks to your support*, she decided to reschedule her abortion. She didn't decide against it, just to push it back so that she could take her time to think about it and maybe tell her parents.

At her next visit, Christina heard her baby's heartbeat, and for the first time began to let herself feel cautiously excited. She made a plan to finish medical school on time, attend every parenting class and deliver a healthy baby.

Two months later, Christina walked in for her regular appointment with a huge smile. She and Charles got married. Everyone (parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles) were thrilled. Shortly after that, they welcomed baby Channing into the world. Now, Christina is working through her clinical rotations as a doctor.



Baby Amely Grace is the picture of Thanksgiving!

Because of <u>YOU</u>, 1 in 3 babies born in Fort Wayne and Northeast Indiana now start with Women's Care Center.

# BRITTANY WANTS TO THANK YOU!

"My first thought was: there is no other option. I have to abort. I can't have a baby when I can't even provide for myself.

"I called the abortion clinic and made an appointment. Before I went for the abortion, I came to Women's Care Center. My counselor told me I had options. She said, 'We are here to help you in every way, every moment, every step of the process.' And that meant everything to me...to have someone on my side.

In her own words,

"When I heard the heartbeat, it scared me in a good way. I realized, 'I have another person to worry about besides myself. I can't live this way anymore. I have to be better.' After that ultrasound, I married my husband and turned my life around. I became a different person.

"When I look at my son Brady, I wonder, 'What would I have ever done without him?'"



BECAUSE OF YOU, Dr. Christina chose life. She recently stopped by our center in her lab coat and through tears said, "Some women don't have this. I am forever thankful."

# A Million Thank You's!

# 1,VIS,ITS

Because of you, this month we topped 1,000,000 visits to Women's Care Center nationally. But it always starts with ONE. ONE woman, ONE counselor, ONE baby and ONE partner, like you, who makes this important work possible in Fort Wayne and Northeast Indiana.

### **BABY ROSALEE IS ONE!**



Baby Rosalee

"I just want to thank the men and women who donate to Women's Care Center, because it is really such a great place. You may not be physically present, but your presence is definitely felt!" — Rosalee's mom

Please remember babies, like Rosalee, in your year-end giving. Visit supportwomenscarecenter.org and select Fort Wayne or Northeast Indiana.

#### YOU GAVE THIS BABY A FAMILY

On the day of her baptism, baby AnnaBeth's parents were married!

But not long ago, they were facing an unplanned pregnancy, and it was terrifying. Her mom Kammye says, "Abortion was never something I wanted to do, but I've never been in this situation before."

Looking for a second opinion, she came to Women's Care Center. "Being here was therapeutic and calming." Because of your love and support, Kammye found the confidence to choose life.

And after the birth of her baby, Kammye had an important realization. Seeing her boyfriend Jason interact with AnnaBeth changed everything. "He was such an amazing father; it solidified our relationship." The two got married.





## YOU SAVED THIS BABY "I'm against abortion... but I considered it."

"At the ultrasound, I heard my baby's heartbeat and thought, 'Wow, this is real. *I have a real live person*. That's when I knew I was going to keep her.

"If I'd never come here, I don't know what would've happened. But I think I would've been so scared that I would've felt pressured to abort. Now I have baby Adriana. The first thing she does when she wakes up is smile!"

## Naomi and baby Adriana

## YOU GAVE THIS BABY A FUTURE

#### You may wonder what happens to babies down the road.

In 2013, Jaime and Josh were unmarried, scared and facing an unplanned pregnancy. Today is a much different story. The couple are now married and (former baby) Jimi is thriving. They are grateful to you and provided this update.

"We are doing great here. Jimi started school in August. He's attending pre-school and seems to really be enjoying it. Josh has been working a lot. He's started a business with his dad doing home repairs and remodeling, and that's going really well. I'm currently staying home with Jimi, and I really enjoy it. I like to be able to pick him up from school and spend a lot of time with him."



Shermaine and DeAngelo's baby

## YOU GAVE HER PARENTS HOPE

A first-time mom, low on resources, Shermaine was in desperate need of help. But wherever she went, she was turned away. As a last resort, Shermaine and her husband walked through the doors of Women's Care Center. What followed astounded her. "I thought they would turn me away too. But I was surprised. You welcomed me. You were so friendly."

Dad DeAngelo admits, "I didn't even know how to hold a baby! But in parenting classes, you taught me everything." When it was time for Shermaine to deliver, one thing was for sure — these parents were ready.

Thanks to you, these first-time parents have been embraced in a way they never could have imagined. "Women's Care Center is our family now," they both agree.



"When I found out I was pregnant, it was such a scary time. I came to Women's Care Center because I was having a meltdown and so scared for the future. I could barely even take care of myself at the time! But I got a lot of fears off my chest that day.



