

Baby Isabella



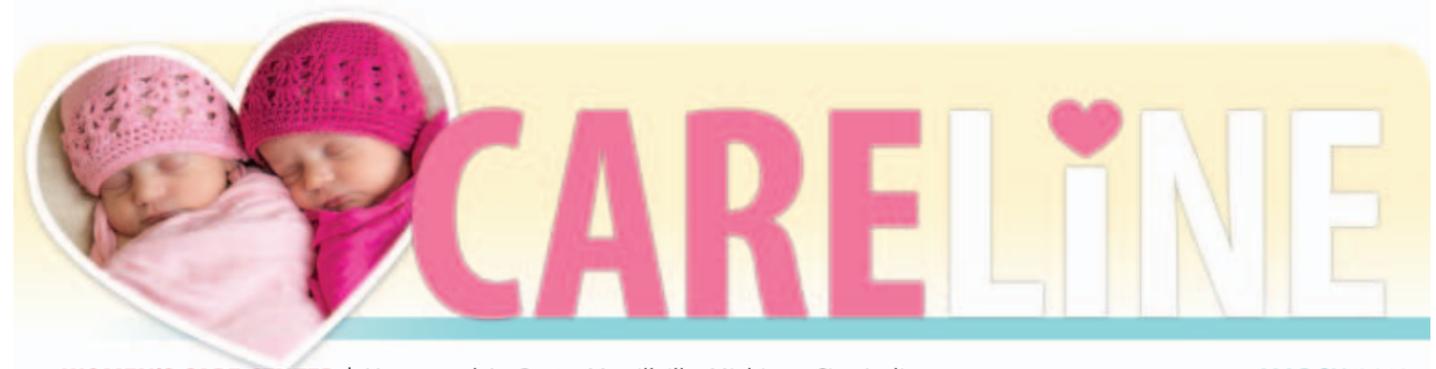
YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS LIFE-SAVING MISSION HELPS MORE YOUNG MOMS, LIKE ISABELLA'S, CHOOSE LIFE FOR THEIR BABIES.

Women's Care Center
Helping women choose life!

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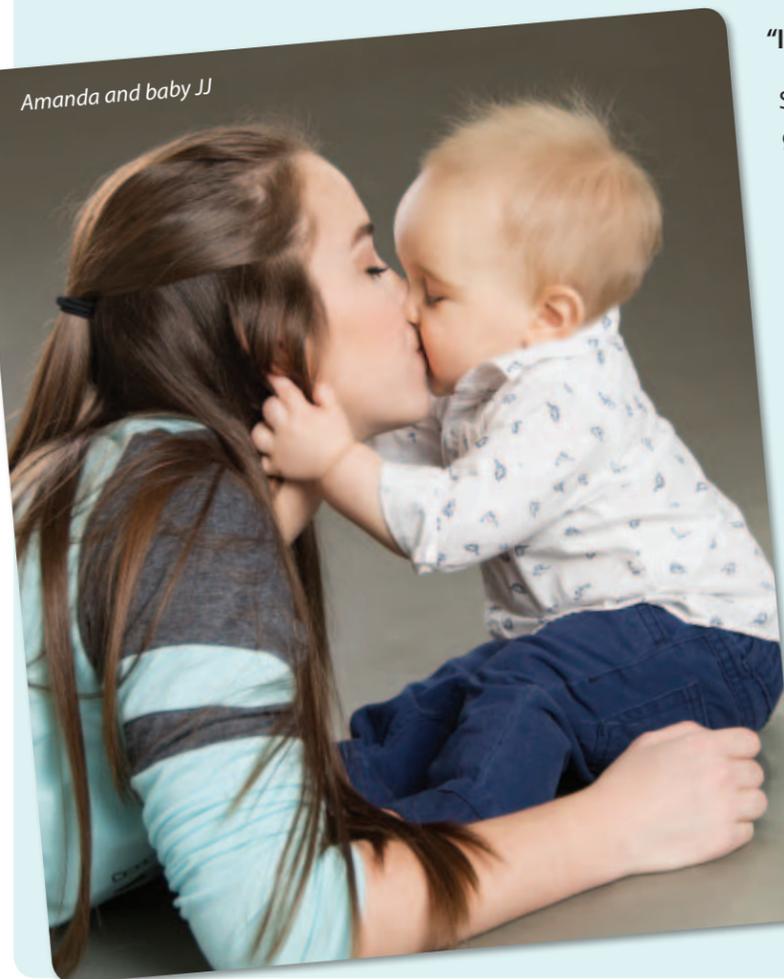
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ULTRASOUND "CHANGED EVERYTHING"!



Amanda and baby JJ

"I'm so glad I didn't listen!" Amanda says now.

She had a goal to be the first person in her family to graduate from college. She was studying radiology when she found herself unexpectedly pregnant. People close to her told her, *"You can never be a mom and finish your degree."* They told her abortion was the only way out of her situation.

But when Amanda came to Women's Care Center for an ultrasound, she says, *"I heard his heartbeat. It changed everything."*

Our counselor helped Amanda find the confidence to choose life. *"So many people told me to just quit school, that I couldn't do both."*

But because of partners like you, Amanda is still following her dream, going to college full-time, **just now with baby JJ by her side.**

**"I heard his heartbeat!
It was a life-changing moment!"**

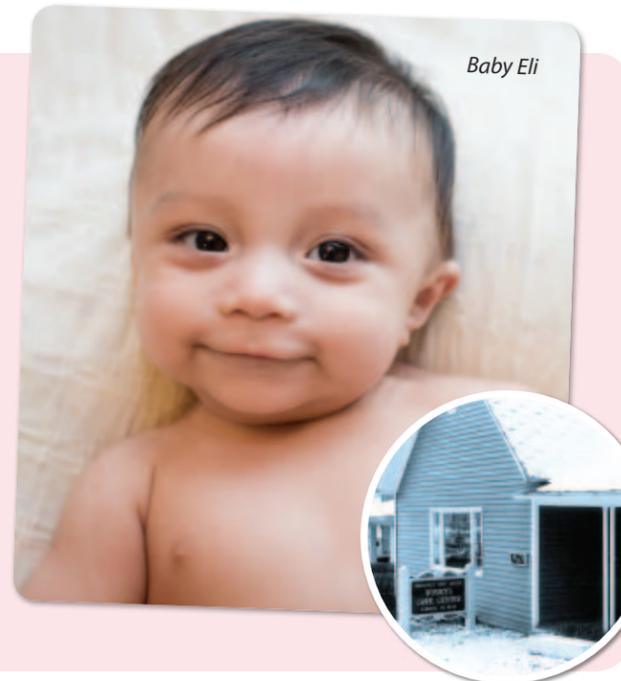
— Amanda

ELI IS JUST ONE!

7,251 babies have been born to our La Porte County moms since we opened in 2004. And, in Lake County, **1,833 babies** have been saved since 2012, including **65 babies** at our new center in Merrillville. *All because of the love and support of partners like you!*

Throwin' it back to 1984 and our very first center, "the little blue house" in South Bend, Indiana. Founded by Dr. Janet E. Smith when she was a young professor at the University of Notre Dame. Dr. Smith saw the need to provide love, hope and encouragement to pregnant women to help them choose life for their babies.

Women's Care Center **now serves 26,000 women annually** from 28 centers in 10 states.



Baby Eli



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YOU CREATE FAMILIES

When you support Women's Care Center, you not only help women choose life, you help them create a family! Moms and dads are encouraged to work hard, attend parenting classes, set goals and stay in school.

And thanks to your generous support, every small child who visits one of our centers leaves with books to encourage a love of reading!



Baby Chloe loves to "read"...*thanks to you!*



YOU PROMISE TO WELCOME ALL WHO WALK THROUGH OUR DOOR AS THOUGH THEY ARE FAMILY

PROVIDING WELCOME

"My wife Sharmila and I are from South India. We came to know my wife was pregnant... this was still a new town for us, and we had no friends or relatives. I googled and found Women's Care Center. Before visiting, we had no idea or information about pregnancy. But after each session, we had a good knowledge. Also, **our counselor was so sweet and kind to us that my wife didn't feel she was missing her relatives and friends.** As a family, we are so grateful to Women's Care Center.

Thanks, Karthick"



Sharmila and baby Murshikki



YOU PROMISE TO LOVE UNCONDITIONALLY EVERY WOMAN SERVED

CONTINUING TO LOVE

When Zoe first came to our center, she was certain she would have an abortion. She was teary during the ultrasound, but still convinced she had already made her decision.

But Zoe's counselor didn't give up. She let Zoe know that whatever her decision, Women's Care Center was there for her. And ultimately, our counselor got a joyous response, "I've decided to keep my baby. **100%! I was wondering if we can meet up and talk sometime.**"

Our counselor helped Zoe make a pregnancy plan.

Zoe says, "I could not stop thinking about that heartbeat!"

And she says of her baby girl, "I've never felt so much love in my life."



Zoe and her baby



YOU PROMISE TO BE WITH HER EVERY STEP OF THE WAY — FROM CONFIRMATION OF PREGNANCY THROUGH YEARS AFTER BIRTH

EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Pamela made dozens of visits to our center when she was expecting Abigail. She received prenatal vitamins and healthy pregnancy education. She also participated in many of our classes where she learned how babies communicate, how to teach patience, and early childhood development. Pamela is now married to Abigail's daddy, Arturo, and is loving every minute of being Abigail's mommy!

THANK YOU LA PORTE COUNTY!

With help from generous people like you, Women's Care Center took 3rd place in **La Porte County Gives**, our first all-community giving day, sponsored by the Unity Foundation. We also received a generous gift from the **Healthcare Foundation of La Porte**. Together, we will serve even more moms and babies in La Porte County.



Pamela and baby Abigail

NEXT DOOR SAVES LIVES

21 times! That's how many times Women's Care Center has opened near an abortion clinic or Planned Parenthood. All thanks to generous partners like you! **Every single time, women's hearts are touched, babies are saved, and abortion declines are phenomenal.** Most recently, in December, we opened near the large Planned Parenthood abortion clinic in Merrillville (the last abortion clinic in northern Indiana).

BISHOP HYING VISITS

IN LA PORTE (right)

Outreach Director Katherine Manion shows Bishop the new 3D/4D ultrasound donated by the Knights of Columbus.

IN MERRILLVILLE (left)

Shown with Bishop are:

Father Theodore Mens, Diocesan pro-life activities director; Beth Carbon, Catholic Charities board; Katherine Manion, WCC Outreach Director; Jenny Hunsberger, WCC Vice-President and Christy Ores, Merrillville ultrasonographer.

