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CARELIN

"You Changed Everything for Me!"

Tia was running from an abusive boyfriend with only her car and everything she could shove in it.

She says, "You went above and beyond. You got me in touch with a center for domestic violence. You didn't have to check in with me so often, but you did anyway. I was a hot mess, and nobody wanted to talk to me then! *But you did*!

"There is no other place like this. Everything you need, all in one stop.

"You provided my daughter's crib and play pen. And when the carseat you had wouldn't fit in my (old) car, you special-ordered one for me."

To the donors, Tia says, "THANK YOU! I was able to restart, and I am a homeowner! I have stability I never would have without you."

The Supreme Court Decision...What Now?

Because of you, Women's Care Center stays out of politics and simply loves and serves women every day. And because of the Court's decision, more women than ever are coming to Women's Care Center <u>first</u>.

And although the Court's decision changes the "where" and the "how," there will still be abortions, including virtual prescription of the abortion pill. In three of our states (Illinois, Maryland and Minnesota), abortions will <u>increase</u> with more women coming from other states. That's why we are planning expansions in Chicago, Baltimore and Moorhead (Minnesota), places that are becoming new abortion destinations.

But overall, our work is unchanged. We are blessed that our counselors work with abortion-minded women every day and have the expertise to care for them holistically, with the vast majority ultimately choosing to parent or place their babies for adoption.

It is you who makes this vital work possible!

States with a Women's Care Center:

All or most abortions no longer available

Future of abortion not determined

Abortion is legal and will be expanding

Cara wants you to know...

"Because of you, I get to kiss my beautiful baby boy to sleep each night. He has a safe place to sleep, a carseat, floor mat to play on, and plenty of clothes. He has a very educated mama from attending lots of parenting classes. You have made a huge impact on my life!"

Cara and Baby Klaycen



Baby Isabel

Vice President Jenny Hunsberger featured in Notre Dame Magazine

As a Notre Dame junior in the 1990s, Jenny was studying architecture and loved volunteering at Women's Care Center. When Jenny found out she was unexpectedly pregnant, the trajectory of her life changed. She became a counselor.

> In Notre Dame Magazine, Jenny says, "It's the nitty-gritty, being in the weeds with someone, and accompanying people through and in difficulty, challenge and struggle."

Today Jenny is our Vice President and heads up client care nationwide.

"Women come to us, and we meet them where they are," Jenny says. "We welcome them as they are right now. And when you say to someone, 'You are good, and your goodness is your defining characteristic. It is who you are. And it's unchangeable'...What we find is that when women encounter that, when they remember their own goodness — maybe it's been forgotten, maybe no one's ever told them — it is in that space that women make decisions for life."

To read the article, go to https://magazine.nd.edu/stories/the-good-place/

Soon there will be another baby saved, *like lsabel...*because of you!

We had a visit last week from an Ohio woman whose boyfriend flew her to Maryland for an abortion. She came to our center in Baltimore with her abortion pills, looking for the clinic across the street.

After talking with our counselor, the woman said,

"God is perfect sending me here, and not to the abortion clinic."

She left the pills with our counselor and asked her to throw them away.





We would love to hear from you! Ann Manion Volunteer President

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When Her Home Test Was Positive...

"No! This has to be wrong!" Tabitha says, "I was so scared, I freaked out and then I came to Women's Care Center.

"I was a single mom trying to juggle two jobs. I didn't want to be pregnant.

"But when I was with my counselor and told her I couldn't do it, she kept telling me, 'Yes, you can. You are a great mom.' She plays a big part in why I felt I could parent.

"My counselor always made me feel wanted even though I was a young mom. Even at my own doctor, I felt judged. But I knew when I came here, I wouldn't be judged in any way.

"Armondo brought me out of a dark hole. When he came, I thought, 'Alright! I have to get it together.' And he has just brought me joy!"